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Rome, May 7. N. S.

THE Congregation appointed to examine the Pretensions of the Emperor, and the King of Spain to the Investiture of the Kingdom of Naples, met for the first time the 30th of the last Month, and the Pope made a Speech to acquaint them with the Matters they were to consider of; They have since had several Meetings, and 'tis believed they will shortly come to some Resolution. On the 3d Instant the Pope visited the Queen-Dowager of Poland; She received him at the Gate of her Palace, and kneeling kiss'd his Feet, she conducted him to her Apartment, where an Elbow Chair was placed under a Canopy for the Pope, and the Queen sat on his left hand, and the Princess her Grand-daughter sat upon the Ground on a Cushion. The Pope stayed about half an hour, and the Queen conducted him as far as the great Hall of her Palace, and would have waited on him farther, but the Pope would not permit it. The Difference between this Court and the Duke of Savoy, concerning the Right of Presentation to the Ecclesiastical Benefices in Picamont, is not yet adjusted. The Pope continues to provide for the Security of the Ecclesiastical State; Several Troops of new-raised Dragoons were sent last week to Ferrara and Bologna, and Commissions are given out for raising 2 Troops of Dragoons and 10 Companies of Foot more. The Pope's Gallies are ordered to sail to Corsica, to receive on board several Companies of Foot which are raised there for the Pope's Service, and to bring them to Civita-Vecchia.

Warsaw, May 16. Count Strassman, the Emperor's Envoy at this Court, continues his Endeavours to accommodate Matters between the Kings of Sweden and Poland, and is assisted therein by several other Foreign Ministers, but the King of Poland declines giving them any positive Answer. The Meeting of the General Diet is fixt for the 30th Instant, and most of the Little Diets have chose their Deputies, but 'tis said, they have given them such different Instructions, that there is reason to doubt of the good Success of this Assembly. They write from Lithuania, that the Confederated Nobility of that Dutchy would have a general Meeting near Gadow the 15th Instant, in order to chuse Deputies to be sent hither, in pursuance of the King's Orders, to treat of an Accommodation between them and the House of Sapieha.

Stockholm, May 16. The Swedish Forces which were embark'd in this Port, consisting of 8000 Foot, sail'd this week for Livonia, as did likewise 1500 Soldiers from Carelskrona, and other Troops are gone on board the Transport Ships provided for them at Carelskrona, Westervick, and Norkeping. The last Advices from Livonia say, the King of Sweden was still at his Quarters at Lais; but intends, as soon as he has received these Reinforcements, to march towards Pleskow.

Vienne, May 18. Mr. Steepney, Envoy Extraordinary from His Majesty of Great-Britain, had Audience yesterday of the King and Queen of

the Romans. Colonel Paul Diack is come hither from Hungary, where he has raised 4000 Hussars for the Emperor's Service, who are to march to Italy. The last Advices from Roveredo are of the 8th Instant, and give an Account, that the Imperial Forces in those Parts were then about 22000 strong, under the Command of Count Guido of Saremberg, and were marching along the Lake de Guardia to possess themselves of a considerable Pais on the River Adige; And that the Venetians, who are thought to be very well enclined to the Emperor's Interest, have drawn together a Body of 15000 Men near Verona. The Count de Solms, Envoy from the King of Prussia, had Audience of Leave last week of the Emperor, and is on his departure to Berlin. 'Tis said, the Marquis de Villars, Envoy from France, intends shortly to return home. Capt. Longueval is to be brought hither in a day or two from Linz, to give Evidence against Prince Ragozzi, and the other Persons who are accused of the late Conspiracy.

Frankfort, May 26. A new-raised Regiment of Foot, which is put into the Service of the States-General by the Margrave of Anspach, pass'd by this Place yesterday, going by water to Holland. The Diets of the Circles of Swabia and Franconia have ordered their Troops to draw together towards the latter end of the next Month, in order to form a Camp near Hailbronn. Deputies from the neighbouring Circles are met here, to confer about providing for their common Security. They write from the Palatinate, that Orders are given for making new Levies of Horse and Foot for the Elector Palatine's Service. Letters from Alsace give an Account, that the French continue their Preparations in those Parts; that their Troops are drawing together between New-Brisac and the Town of Heimbagen; and that they have lately brought 80 Pieces of Cannon into the last of these Places, where they are preparing to make a Bidge of Boats over the Rhine.

Cologne, May 27. The Elector Palatine intends to augment his Forces to 20000 Men, and new Levies are making for that purpose. 'Tis said, the Directors of the Circle of Westphalia have desired the King of Prussia to lend some of his Troops to reinforce the Garrisons of Rheinberg and Keyserwaert. They write from the Dutchy of Juliers and the County of Mark, that Orders are given for raising the Militia of those Countries.

Hamburg, May 27. The Queen Dowager of Denmark will leave Altona the 30th Instant, in order to continue her Journey to Cassel. Two Regiments of the Duke of Swerin's Forces embark'd yesterday near Altona, in order to be transported to Campen, for the Service of the States-General. Letters from Copenhagen of the 24th say, the King of Denmark would send some of his Forces into the Service of the States; that he would go the 26th to Fredericksburgh; and the next day to Cronenburgh, where he would review a Battalion of the Regiment of Zealand which is quartered in that Place.