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Rome, Jan. 7. N. S.

THE Pope has given Directions for raising two Troops of Horse, and several Companies of Foot, to strengthen the Garrisons of this City and of *Ferrara*. Orders are given to the three Nuncios Extraordinary appointed to go to *Vienna*, and to the Courts of *France* and *Spain*, to hasten their departure. Letters from *Naples* of the 3d Instant say, a Reinforcement of 700 Foot was arrived there from *Catalonia*; Cardinal *Giudice* parted from thence the day before for *Palermo*, from which Place the Duke of *Escalona* was shortly expected; The Duke of *Medina Celi* was preparing to return to *Spain*. Count *d'Estrees* intended in few days to sail from the Coast of *Naples* with the *French* Squadron under his Command for *Toulon*.

Florence, Jan. 7. Letters from Naples give an Account, that the Spanish Regiments lately arrived there from the State of Milan and from Catalonia, were ordered to the Country of Abruzzo, the Viceroy being apprehensive of Danger on that side. Since the breaking of the Bank of the Annunciata, another Publick Bank called St. Salvadore has failed for a considerable Sum of Money; and the Trade in general was never so bad at Naples as it is at this time.

From the Imperial Quarters at San Benedetto, January 9. The 28th past, we had an Account, That the Forces which the Enemy had on this side the *Po* in the *Parmesan*, and about *Bersello*, had all repassed that River, leaving only a Guard near their Bridge on this side. The 29th, the *Po* swelled very much, and several Pontoons and pieces of Timber came down the Stream; by which we suppose the overflowing of the River has broke the Bridge the *French* had at *Casal-Majore*. The 30th, a Spy was taken here, who had about him Letters writ in Cypher from Count *Tesse* to Marshal *Villeroy*, and Orders were given that he should suffer an Exemplary Punishment. The 31st, the Waters of the *Po* began to fall. General *Daun* sent an Account from *Guastella*, that he had Intelligence, that Marshal *Villeroy* was quartered at *Casal-Majore* with about 4000 Men, and 12 Pieces of Cannon; That the *French* had 300 Men at *Sabionetta*, 2000 at *Bozolo* and St. *Martin*, and several hundreds at *Torre d'Oglio* and *Chiaviche de la Matthea*, and that between these Places they were making several Forts; That they had about 800 Men at *Colorno* in the *Parmesan*, and that a Body of *French* Horse was advanced towards *Pavia*. We had a Report, That the *French* intended to pass the *Po*, in order to attack our Forces at *Borgoforte*, and to relieve *Mantua*. The 1st Instant, we finished our Bridge over the *Segia*. A Deserter from *Mantua* brought an Account, that the Inhabitants appeared enclined to surrender, and that the *French* Garrison mistrusted them, and posted Guards to observe them. The three Regiments of Dragoons of *Savoy*, *Dietrichstein*, and *Vaubonne*, the Cuirassiers of *Darmstad* and *Vaudemont*, three Battalions of the Regiment of *Guido Staremberg*, and as many of the Regiment of *Daun*, with 4 Field-pieces, were ordered to be in a readiness to march, and to provide themselves with bread and Oats for three days. A Party of 60 Horse and 150 Foot from *Caneto* passed over the *Oglio*, and brought off a good quantity of Hay; Another Party of 50 Granadiers took several *French* Soldiers who Kept Guard near *Piadena*. The 2d, we had an Account, that the Enemy were drawing their Forces from the *Oglio*. The 3d, the Dragoons of *Savoy*, and the other Regiments abovementioned, began to march. Prince *Eugene*, Prince *Commercy*, and Prince *Vaudemont*, went to *Pontigiano*, and sent an Officer to the Duke of *Modena*, and another to the Duke of *Parma*. We had an Account, that the Enemy had broke their Bridge on the *Po*, and passed their Posts along the *Oglio*, and were going into Quarters. The 4th, the Dragoons of *Savoy* and the Foot Regiments continued their march, and were posted in the *Parmesan* along the River *Lenza* near *Bersello*. Prince *Eugene*, Prince *Vaudemont*, and Count *Guido Staremberg*, went from *Pontigiano* to *Gualtieri*. Several Parties were sent towards *Placenza* to get Intelligence. The 5th, the Officer sent on the 3d to the Duke of *Modena*, to desire him to admit a *German* Garrison into *Bersello*, returned, and gave Prince *Eugene* an Account, that the Duke at first made some difficulty, but being pressed, not only consented to what was demanded of him, but desired to be received, together with his Dominions, into the Emperor's Protection. Upon this the 6 Battalions of *Staremberg* and *Daun*, and the Dragoons of *Savoy* and *Vaubonne*, advanced to the very Gates of *Bersello*, and the Commander was summoned to open the Gates; which he did after some difficulty, and a Battalion of the Regiment of *Staremberg*, another of *Daun*, and two Companies of Granadiers, marched into the Town. Prince *Eugene* took a view of the Place, and found it in a good Condition of Defence, and provided with a good Artillery. The rest of the Battalions went to *Gualtieri* and *Castelnovo*, the Dragoons of *Savoy* and *Vaubonne* returned to their Quarters, and Major-General Count *Dietrichstein* remained with the two Regiments of Cuirassiers of *Darmstad* and *Vaudemont*, and his own Regiment of Dragoons, in the *Parmesan*, near the River *Lenza*. Major-General *Vaubonne* was sent with 400 Horse to the Country of *Alexandria* for Intelligence. The Officer sent to the Duke of *Parma* came back, with an Officer of the said Duke, who, in his Master's Name, protested against the *Germans* taking Quarters in his Country, alledging, That he would observe a Neutrality, and was a Vassal of the Pope; But Prince *Eugene* replied, That there was a necessity at this time for the Imperial Troops to take Quarters in the *Parmesan*, and that he would send a Commissary with them to regulate Matters. The 6th, Prince *Eugene* continued at *Gualtieri*, to give the necessary Directions about settling the Garrison at *Bersello*, and other Affairs. The 7th, his Highness went to *Luzzara*, with a design to stay there some time, and to make it his Head Quarters. We received an Account from *Caneto*, that the *French* having possessed themselves of some Mills near *Santa Maria*, the Commander of the *German* Forces quartered at *Caneno* went out with 60 Granadiers, who surprised the Enemy, and killed several of them. We had an Account, that the *French* Garrison of *Mantua* made a general Forage, (being covered by a Guard of 500 Horse, and as many Foot) on the side of *Marmirolo*; A Party of 60 Cuirassiers of the Regiment of *Corbelli* attacked the Foragers, and the Enemy's Horse advancing to support them, they had a sharp Dispute, wherein the *French* had above 20 killed, and others wounded; on our side we lost 11 Men. Count *Merci*, who some time ago was taken Prisoner by the *French*, came to the Head Quarters, being exchanged for the Chevalier *de Maulevrier*. The 8th, several Deserters came over from the Enemy, and gave an Account, that their Forces are not yet all gone into their Quarters, and that they are very much harassed, and in an ill Condition; And that they expect a Reinforcement of 15 Battalions of Foot from *Provence* by the way of *Genoua*.

Venice, Jan. 13. A Regiment of 1000 *Hussars* marched last week by *Verona*, going to join the Imperial Army. The *Germans* have sent a strong Detachment to the *Parmesan*, and press to be admitted into *Parma*, *Placentia*, and the other Towns belonging to that Dutchy; and the Duke of *Parma* has answered, That being a Vassal to the Pope, he had sent to him about it, and expected his Answer. They write from *Mantua*, that Count *Tesse*, who commands the *French* Garrison, is very ill; That the Inhabitants appear enclined to surrender the Town to the *Germans*; And that the latter have seized a considerable Magazine of Provisions at *Virgiliano* which belonged to the Duke of *Mantua*.

Vienna, Jan. 14. The States of the Lower Austria met the 9th Instant, and Count Bucellini, the Emperor's Chancellor, made a Speech, as is usual; as the Emperor did afterwards himself; To which the Marshal of this Province returned an Answer in the Name of the States, full of Expressions of their Zeal for the Emperor's Service, and their Readiness to assist him in the present Conjuncture. The Emperor has given Directions for Letters to be writ to the several Princes and States of the Empire, to invite them into the Alliance against