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From the Imperial Head Quarters at Carbonaro, December 5. N. S.

Letters from *Bersello* give an Account, That the Garrison of that Place had seized 700 Sacks of Corn belonging to the *French*. They write from *Cremant*, That the Roof of the biggest Church of that City, into which the *French* had put 300 of their sick and wounded Soldiers, for want of room in their Hospitals, sunk on a sudden, and most of these Men, and those who looked after them, were buried in the Ruines.

Toorn, Dec. 21. The great Council of the Nobility of *Poland* and *Lithuania*, which was assembled here, having spent some time in fruitless Debates, at last resolved to hear the Proposals of the Emperor's Envoy, who accordingly was present in that Assembly on the 5th Instant, and offer'd his Master's Mediation for adjusting the Differences betwixt this Crown and that of *Sweden*, which is more particularly his Concern, as being Guarand of the famous Treaty which was concluded between these two Nations at *Olivva*. On the 7th the *Moscovite* Ambassador was admitted into their Assembly, and was asked whether the Czar his Master would send some Troops to the Frontiers of the *Ukraine*, to suppress the *Cossacks*, who have lately rebelled against this Republick, and do daily commit great Disorders in those Parts; upon which he offer'd, That if they would enter into a nearer Alliance with his Master, they should not only be a lifted by him in that respect, but should be also supplied with 5 or 600000 Crowns in Money, and several Thousand Men, towards carrying on the War against the *Swedes*: On the 12th Instant this Assembly broke up, having come to the following Resolutions; 1. To enter into a general Confederation, and that the Diets of each Province should be summoned, in order to approve thereof: 2. That in these Provincial Diets it shall be consider'd, which way this Kingdom may best be defended against the *Swedes*, whether by the Nobility's mounting on Horseback, or by raising a Supply for augmenting the Army of the Crown, but to endeavour first to come to an Amicable Composition, by the means of the Ambassadors already appointed to attend the King of *Sweden* with an Offer of the Mediation of the Republick: 3. To accept the Emperor's Mediation: and 4. To summon the Princes of the House of *Sapieha*, who have openly declared for the *Swedes*, to appear before the King of *Poland* in Six Weeks, to answer to such Things as shall be laid to their Charge, and upon their not appearing, to declare their Honours and Offices forfeited, and bestow the same upon such other Persons as shall be thought more agreeing. We hear the *Swedish* Army is divided into three Bodies, whereof one is marched towards *Lemberg* to raise Contributions, another is marching slowly along the *Weyssel* towards *Warsaw*, having with them the boats with the Artillery, Ammunition and Baggage, and the third is marched into the *Greater Poland*. Some Advices say, That the King of *Sweden* has summoned all the *Poish* Nobility to meet at *Warsaw*, on pain of the Forfeiture of their Estates, and of being treated as Enemies. In the mean time the King of *Poland*, to ease his Country, has sent two of his *Saxon* Regiments of Horse and two of Foot into *Lithuania*, where they will be welcome to some of the Nobility, whose Estates they will secure from the Depredations of the Adherents of the House of *Sapieha*, and has ordered two Regiments more of those Forces, one of Horse, and the other of Foot, to march back into *Saxony*. Prince *Lubomirski*, Great General of the Crown, being lately dead, that important Place is given to the *Sieur Bismicki*.

Vienna, Dec. 23. The Emperor's Ministers have lately held several Conferences for settling the Methods to be used for reducing the Elector of *Bavaria*, and all the necessary Preparations are made for that purpose. The *Saxon* Forces are arrived in *Bohemia*, and the rest of the Troops designed for this Service are all in motion: We hear that Elector intends to employ his main Force towards the Frontier of *Austria*, and to command that part of his Army in Person: Some of his Troops

are already fallen down the *Danube* towards *Stratting*, and another Body of them advanced lately near to *Paffau*, with a design to have possessed themselves of that Post, but were prevented, Baron *Dalou* having just before put into that Place a Battalion of Foot which he had newly raised for the Emperor's Service, and Orders are given for sending thither a Reinforcement of 500 Men. Colonel *Ebergemi*, who commands the *Hussars* in *Italy*, and Baron *Kirekbaum*, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, arrived here this week from thence, and more Officers of note are shortly expected from those Parts, who it is said are to serve in the Army against the Elector of *Bavaria*. Count *Seitick* will be going in few days to *Linze*, in order to take upon him the Command of the Forces which are to be employed against that Elector, and are to rendezvous near that Place, but the King of the *Romans* is to have the chief Direction of this whole Enterprize. Prince *Eugene* has obtained the Emperor's Leave to come hither from *Italy*, as soon as his Absence from the Army may be dispensed with. Letters from *Astranople* of the 17th inst say, the new *Vizier* persecutes to a great degree those who were most in favour with his Predecessor, by extorting from them all they got during that Ministry, and that he had sent a *Capigi* Baili into *Ash* for the Heads of *Ibrahim* Bailiaw of *Mesopotamia*, and of *Haffiz* Bailiaw of *Scherezul*, who were both preferred by the late *Vizier*, the last having served him as his *Kehaja*, but they contrived to have the *Capigi* Baili's Head taken off first, and are now joined in open Rebellion against the Grand Signior; and it was reported, that *Numan* Bailiaw, Son to *Kiuperli*, would likewise declare for them; which, if it prove true, we may soon hear of a general Revolt throughout the *Turkish* Dominions in *Asia*.

Ratisbonne, Dec. 25. The Imperial Diet has drawn up a Conclusion, for designing such Princes of the Empire as have Troops on foot to let them march immediately, without waiting for the particular Reparitions of the respective Circles whereof they are Members, which would take up more time than the imminent Danger of the Empire will allow: The Diet also formed a Project for the more effectual raising of the 120000 Men to be kept by the Empire, and for furnishing them with Artillery and Ammunition: The Diet resolved that they should be commanded by a Generalissimo, two Velt-Marshal-Generals, and a General of the Artillery; The Persons named are the King of the *Romans*, Prince *Lewis* or *Baton*, the Margrave of *Bavaria*, and General *Teungen*. This Scheme is sent to the several Princes and States of the Empire for their Approbation, and when it is obtained, will then be drawn up into a formal Conclusion. The *Bavarian* Minister having for some time not frequented the Diet, or at least retired when the Debates began, read on the 13th Instant a Protest against all that had been or should be done during his Absence, to the Prejudice of the Elector his Matter; but the other Ministers would not receive his Protest, alledging that his Absence was voluntary. The Elector of *Bavaria* is recovered of his late Inlets; He came on the 5th Instant from *Donawerth* to *Ingolstadt*, with the Electrice, who is since returned to *Munich*; but he went to view the Lines which he has lately caused to be made in the upper Palatinate, and lay the 15th at *Donaustrass*, and the 16th at *Eglsbaum*, a County-House belonging to Count *Koningsfeld*, one of his Chamberlains, about two miles from hence; he afterwards went forward towards *Scharding*, to view the Lines on that side; and it is said he will shortly go to *Munich*: On the 22d he received a Representation from the States of *Bavaria*, of the great Oppressions they lie under, and the utter Ruine unto which they are exposed, if they should be attacked by the Troops that are gathering together on their Frontiers, and persuading him to desist from his Engagements with *France*. Prince *Christian* of *Hanover*'s Regiment of *Cuirassiers* is arrived at *Paffau*, and General *Spari* is marching thither with his Troops; but we hear the *Saxon* Forces are to remain in *Bohemia*, to observe a Body of *Bavarian* Troops which lies in the Upper Palatinate.

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