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Rome, Jan. 6. N.S.

A Congregation was held this Week about some Alterations that are thought necessary to be made in the Kalendar. The Pope continues his Resolution of going to *Loretto*, and has ordered a Sum of Money for defraying the Expences of that Journey, declaring, That he will not be entertained by any of the Towns through which he is to pass. He has made very sharp Complaints to Cardinal *Fourbin*, who manages the Affairs of *France* at this Court, of some Acts of Hostility committed lately in his Territories by Monsieur *Albergotti*, who entered into the Country of *Bologna* with a Body of 4000 Men, and plundered several Villages, to hinder, as he pretended, their furnishing the Imperialists with Provisions. The Pope has also sent a Letter to the *French* King upon this Occasion, putting him in mind of his Promise, That the Subjects of the Ecclesiastical State should not be molested by his Troops; He has also sent Directions to the Legates of *Bologna* and *Ferrara*, to post his Forces along their Frontiers, in order to prevent the like Attempts for the future. The Duke of *Uceda*, Ambassador from *Spain*, being obnoxious to this Court, his Master has thought fit to make him President of the Council of *Castile*, in order to his being recalled; but it is said the Ambassador is not contented with this Preferment having entertaind great hopes of being advanced to the Viceroyalty of *Naples*. The Cardinal *de Medicis* having taken upon him the Office of Protector, of the Affairs of *France* and *Spain*, has put up the Arms of those two Kingdoms over his Palace, which the Imperial Ambassador has thought himself obliged to take notice of, and his Excellency has enter'd a Protestation against it, declaring, that the Cardinal has done this without any lawful Authority, that this act is consequently void, and can in no wise affect the Rights of the House of *Austria*. The Rains having lately fallen with greater Violence than formerly, the *Riber* has again overflowed, and has done more considerable damage than it did before. They write from *Naples*, That Commissioners are sent to view the Estate of the *Marquis del Vasto*, which is confiscated for his being in the Emperor's Interest. Two Troops of Horse have been lately sent from thence to *Capua*, and the Garisons of several other Places in that Kingdom have likewise been reinforced.

Vienna, January 17. The States of the *Lower Austria* continue assembled in this City, to consider of procuring the Sums demanded of them by the Emperor, viz. the usual Subsidy of 500000 Florins, an Extraordinary Supply of a Million of Florins for carrying on the War, and a Sum of Money towards defraying

the Expences of the King of the *Romans* in making the Campaign next Summer; and among other Methods of raising Money for these Purposes, a Capitation-Tax has been proposed. Prince *Eugene* of *Savoy*, and the other General Officers that are in Town, have frequent Meetings with the Emperor's Ministers, to consult about the Actions of the next Campaign. The Bishop of *Osnabrug*, Brother to the Duke of *Lorraine*, arrived here some days ago from *Osnabrug*. The Heer *Dalman*, one of the Emperors Councellers of War, went from hence the last week for the *Ottorion Port*, whither he is sent to maintain and improve the good Correspondence between the Two Empires, which the *French*, by their Emisaries at the Port, are endeavouring to interrupt, tho' hitherto without any effect. The new Levies for recruiting the Imperial Army in *Italy* go on very successfully. Letters from thence say, all their Posts which are of any Importance are sufficiently secured against the Attempt of the *French*; and that the Imperial Garison at *Bersello* had received but little Damage from the Enemy's bombarding of it, although they had continued to do so for several days together; and that our Men had revenged themselves upon the Castle of *Viadana*, on the other side of the *Po*, which is in the Possession of the *French*, having Cannonaded it with very good Success, killing and wounding many of their Men who are quartered there.

Plimouth, Jan. 24. On the 20th Instant several *English* Merchant Ships passed by this Harbour, sailing to the Westward, who were joined from hence by the *John and Mary*, *John Lunny* Master, bound to *Jamaica*; the *Tryal*, *William Rogers* Master, from *Barbadoes*; the *Prince Eugene*, *Thomas Miller* Master, the *Agreement*, *Francis Amesty* Master, the *Mary Galley*, *John Barry* Master, all three Bound to *Cork*; and several other Ships bound to *Ireland*, and some to *Falmouth*. The 21st a Dutch Privateer brought in hither 3 Prizes; whereof two came from *Malaga*, and one from *Cork*. The same day came in hither a *Swedish* Ship bound to *St. Huges*; and the *Happy Return* of *Bidiford*, *John Lovering* Master, bound to *Waterford*. This day came in a Dutch Privateer of 14 Guns, which had lately been cruizing to the Westward, and in her way hither was attacked on the 20th Instant between *Saintsbay* and this Place by 3 stout *French* Cruizers, from whom she narrowly escaped; But the *French* Ships took another small Dutch Caper, and a *French* Vessel which he had lately taken.

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