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Milan, March 1. N. S.

Commissions are given out for making new Levies, in order to augment the several Regiments of Foot which are paid by this State, by adding a Company to each Regiment. Letters from Parma say the Garrison of *Bersello* has lately made two Sables, in one of which they plundered *Sorbois* and two other Towns in the *Parmezun*, and in the other they destroyed some Stuyces, which the French had made to deprive the Inhabitants of *Bersello* of the Benefit of a Rivulet which turns several Mills in the Town.

Rome, March 3. Since the late Earthquake several Regulations have been made, to reform the Luxury and other Vices of this Court and City. On the 22th past the Pope sung *Te Deum*; and he has appointed an Anniversary Thanksgiving to be observed on the next Sunday after *Candlemas Day*, for our Deliverance from the Terrours of that dreadful Judgment. Several Architects, and other Persons skilled in Building, have been employed by the Pope to view the Damage which this Earthquake has done to the *Vatican* and other publick Buildings in this City; and they have reported, That it will cost more than a Million of Crowns to repair them. The Pope has lately held a Consistory, wherein he declared the Choice he had made of Signior *Pignatelli*, his Nuncio in Poland, to be Archbishop of Naples.

Venice, March 10. Signior *Alouizio Contarini* is advanced by our Senate to the Dignity of Procurator of *St. Mark*, upon his paying the usual Sum of 25000 Ducats. A Convoy sailed from hence last Week for the *Levant*, with a Thousand Recruits and a Supply of Money and Ammunition for our Forces in those parts. Signior *Iustiniani*, Ambassador from this State to the *Ottoman Porte*, set sail at the same time for *Constantinople*, with 2 Men of War, which have been appointed for his Convoy. Our Advices from the French Quarters in *Lombardy* say, their Troops are preparing to take the Field as soon as the Season permits, and expect to be shortly joyned by the Duke of *Savoy's* Forces. From the German Quarters they write, That *Ostiglia*, and all their other Posts which are of any Importance, are secured with very good Intrenchments, and that they are resolved to stand their Ground till they can receive Succours from Germany. Their Hussars continue to make Excursions against the Enemy, with very good Success.

Marienburg, March 15. A great Council of the Senators and Nobility who are in Town, will be held to-morrow. The particular Diets of several Palatinates have lately met, as well to chuse Deputies for the Diet which is to be held here the 27th Instant, as to consult upon the

Measures that are proper to be taken in the present Juncture; but some of them we hear are broke up without coming to any Resolution, by reason of the Heats and Animosities which are still prevalent among the Polish Nobility. The lesser Nobility earnestly desire a Summons from the King, to mount on Horseback for his Defence and that of their Country; but it is doubted whether he will issue out any, being advised to the contrary by those of the best Quality, who apprehend the Disorders which the raising of this Militia is for the most part subject to. In the mean time the Nobility of the Palatinates of *Lublin* and *Podlachia* have declared for the King of Sweden. We have received the Confirmation, That the Fortres of *Tycozin*, which was in the hands of the Swedes, has surrendered to the King of Poland's Forces, and that the Sieur *Oginski*, who is in his Interest, has by a Stratagem possessed himself of the Town of *Birsen* in *Lithuania*, which held out likewise for the Swedes and the House of *Sapieha*. Several Swedish Regiments, which were quartered at *Lublin* and *Casimir*, have joyned their other Troops near *Warsaw*, and we may probably hear very soon of some Action between them and the Saxon and Lithuanian Forces which are lately advanced towards that place.

Liege, March 20. The Confederate Forces quartered in these Parts have Orders to be in a readiness to march. The Magistrates and other principal Inhabitants of this City have taken an Oath of Allegiance to the Emperor; and the Count de *Zinzendorf*, his Envoy, having settled all Matters in relation to the Government of this City and its Dependencies, is upon his Return to *Dusseldorp*. The Baron de *Tregue's* Secretary being convicted of corresponding with the Enemy, is condemned to suffer Death. Several other Persons have been seized upon suspicion of their being guilty of the same Crime. A Party of Horse of the Garrison of *Limbourg* came two days ago into the Neighbourhood of this place, where they had begun to plunder the Country people, when a few Horse being sent out from hence against them, they immediately betook themselves to flight; however our Men wounded Two of them, whom they took Prisoners. Yesterday a Party of 50 Hussars, of those who are quartered near *Sleyden*, met with 100 Horse of the Garrison of *Limbourg*, who were also making an Excursion towards this City, whom they attacked, notwithstanding the great inequality of their Numbers; and the Enemy, after a very weak Resistance, made the best of their way home, having had 3 of their Men killed, and several wounded, without any loss on our side.

Paris, March 23. N. S. The time of the Duke of *Burgundy's* Departure for *Brussels* is fixt to be on the 15th of the next Month; and those who are to accompany him have Orders to be in a Readiness by that time. He intends in his Journey to view the Coast of *Flanders*; for which purpose