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Jamaica, March 5.

Within these 14 Days past we have taken 3 Privateers, with 120 Prisoners, and have retaken a Sloop of ours, so that we believe we have destroyed most of the Privateers the Enemy had in these Parts. This Island is at present very healthy: We have lately had a small Shake of an Earthquake, but it has not done any Damage.

Rome, April 5. The Pope has lately writ several Letters to the King, the Cardinal Primate, and the Senators of Poland, Exhorting them to an Accommodation of those Differences which have been the Occasion of so much Bloodshed, and so great Confusion in the Kingdom. He is also Employing his good Offices with the French King in favour of the Duke of Modena, with probability of good Success; as an earnest of which, the Orders that were given for exposing to Sale the Duke's Goods which were Seized by the French, are Revoked. The Count de Lamberg, Ambassador from the Emperor, had this Week a long Audience of the Pope, and is gone to Frascati, intending to continue there some time. Eight famous Banditti, who had committed many Robberies being apprehended in the Country, were lately brought hither under a Guard of 50 Soldiers. The Differences between this Court and the Duke of Savoy concerning the Right of Presentation to Benefices in that Duchy, and in Piedmont, which were once looked upon to be in a fair way of Accommodation, are again as far as ever from being Adjusted. As are those with the Government of Naples touching the Privileges and Immunities of the Church, occasioned by the Seizing of some of the Favourers of the Interest of the House of Austria in that Kingdom, in a Church, whither they had fled for Refuge. Cardinal Pignarelli delays going to take Possession of his Archbishoprick of Naples till those Matters are Adjusted. It is said, That the Pope intends to make him Legate of Bologna in the room of Cardinal Dada, who is shortly to be recalled from that Employment; and that Cardinal Rubini will be made Legate of Romania.

Milan, April 8. The Duke of Vendosme arrived here this day from his Head-Quarters at Casal, and was Saluted with a triple Discharge of our Cannon. It is said he intends to Besiege Verceil as soon as he has received all the Recruits he ex-

pects from France. A Body of German Horse being marched towards Alexandria, with a Design, as is supposed, to endeavour to intercept some of those Recruits, the Duke has been obliged to send a Detachment that way to cover their March. The Militia of this Duchy is marched towards Novara to defend the Lines which the French have lately made on that side: And the Regular Troops which are at present posted there are to be employed else where.

Venice, April 12. Five Gallies sailed lately from hence to joyn the Venetian Fleet in the Levant, whence 3 other of our Gallies are to return home to rest. The French are fortifying Lecco, Castel-Medichino, and some other Posts on the Lake de Como: Their Army commanded by the Grand Prior passed the Secchia the 8th instant, and is advanced towards Revere; whereupon the Imperialists have raised Batteries on the other side of the Po, and are taking the necessary Precautions for their Defence. General Visconti is gone to Command the German Forces at Mirandola: The Estates and Goods of the Duke of that Place are Seized and Confiscated for his having Corresponded with the French; and Entered into an Engagement with them to Betray his Town and the Imperial Garrison there into their Hands; and several of the principal Inhabitants who were concerned in this Design are secured, and will be proceeded against with rigour. The Count de Trautsmansdorf, who in the Prince of Vaudemont's Absence had the Chief Command of the Imperial Forces on this side, has been so ill a of Fever, that he was once reported to be Dead, but is now much better, and is come hither to compleat the recovery of his Health.

Frankfort, April 23. On the 19th instant a Regiment of Horse and another of Dragoons of the King of Prussia's Forces, marched through this City towards the Lines of Stolhoffen; yesterday they were followed by a Regiment of Foot, and the rest of those Forces have passed the Maine at Ruppelheim: They are all extraordinary good Troops, and are to be posted in the Lines abovementioned. Our Magistrates are raising two Companies of Foot to be added to the five Companies which they have already sent into the Lines. A Detachment of the French Army passed the Rhine lately at the Fort of Kehl, and is posted at present near Offembourg. The Elector of Mentz has lately been very much Indisposed, but is at present in a fair way of Recovery. It is said the French King has given Orders for Augmenting the Militia in Alsace.

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