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*Florence, September 5. N. S.*

**T**HE Volant, a Dutch Vessel, came to Leghorne the 2d Instant; the Master whereof reports, That he left the Confederate Fleet the 25th of the last Month near Barcelona; That the King of Spain was gone on Shore with all the Land Forces about a Mile and half to the Eastward of that Place, without any Opposition; and that the Prince of Hesse Darmstad, who arrived there some days before, had met his Catholick Majesty at the head of 7 or 8000 Men. When this Ship came away, Preparations were making for the Siege of Barcelona, in case the Inhabitants did not prevent it by a voluntary Surrender, as there was Grounds to hope they would.

*Turin, Sept. 9.* The Enemy having sent away their sick Men, whose Numbers were very great, by Water to Casal, they abandoned Pianezza, Alpignani and Colengo, on the Doria, the 5th Instant, and drew all their Forces together at the Venerie. The 6th they decamped from thence, and, marching between the Rivers Doria and Stura, came within sight of this Place, and pitched their Tents just without the reach of our Cannon, their Right Wing being stretched out towards the Castle of Lucento, near which Place they immediately began to lay a Bridge over the Doria, and their Left towards the great Road that leads to Chivas, with the River Stura behind them. Some Letters from their Camp, that have been intercepted, say, their Design is to besiege us; tho' they do not expect to have Things in a readiness for opening the Trenches before the next Month: But we cannot conceive how they can pretend, with an Army that consists only of 44 Battalions and 54 Squadrons, computed but at 11000 Foot and 4500 Horse at most, to besiege a Town that has 14 Bastions well fortified, a strong Citadel, and good Outworks, with a numerous Garison, and all other Necessaries for the making of a vigorous Defence, there being, besides what are mounted upon the other Works, no less than 55 Pieces of Cannon planted upon those which are next to the Enemy's Camp. The Enemy, among other Inconveniencies, labour under this Difficulty, that they are obliged to draw all their Subsistence from Chivas and Susa, which last Place is above 20, the other about 10 Miles, from their Camp; so that the long Marches their Troops must make, that are sent out to guard their Convoys, will very much fatigue them; And we are in hopes that our Parties may now and then fall in with them; for our Hussars still continue their Excursions with good Success, and seldom fail of bringing home Prisoners, Horses, Mules, and other Booty. Last night the Enemy finished their Bridge over the Doria. The Prince of Piedmont, eldest Son to his Royal Highness, was very ill last week of a Flux, but is now in a fair way of Recovery.

*From Prince Eugene's Camp at Treviglio, September 10.* The 3d Instant several Deserters came over to us from the Enemy, who gave an Account, That the Duke of Vendosme was fortifying his Camp. The 6th our General gave Orders, That the Ways from hence to Veil-

late should be repaired, and Bridges made over the Canals lying between our Camp and that Place; in which Work a considerable Number of Men have been employed ever since. On the 7th Orders were sent to Colonel Locatelli, who had been left with a Detachment between Palazuolo and the Town of Brescia, for the better securing of our Communication with the Lake di Garda, to send some Troops to Saio, a Town situate on that Lake, to guard 300 Recruits, with several Pieces of heavy Cannon, and a great quantity of Arms and Ammunition, which are lately come thither from Germany for the use of our Army.

*Vienna, September 15.* The Great Master of the Teutonic Order, Brother to the Elector Palatine, arrived here the 12th Instant from Dusseldorp. The next day Monsieur Bartholdi came hither from Berlin, being sent by the King of Prussia to make his Compliments of Condolence and Congratulation to his Imperial Majesty, upon the late Emperor's Death, and his Accession to the Imperial Throne. The Imperial Army commanded by General Herbeville was, according to our last Advices, near Hatuan, between Buda and Agria. They write from Presbourg of the 10th, That the Chief of the Malcontents were met together at Leventz, who we hope will take such Resolutions as may tend to the putting an end to the Troubles in Hungary. Several Conferences have lately been held by the Emperor's Ministers about the sending a Reinforcement to the Imperial Army in Italy.

*From the Imperial Camp at Wirshheim, September 20.* The 17th Instant Prince Lewis ordered a Detachment of Horse and Foot to be posted at Hochfeldt, for a Guard to our Foragers on that side; and that our Troops should secure all the Posts along the River Soor from this Place to Eitelshaim. The Count de Frieze, who had been detached to attack the Town of Drusenheim, sent an Account, That the Enemy had upon his Approach thither abandoned the Intrenchments they had made in the Island of Talsund. The 18th the Bridge we were making a little above that Island, for the better preserving of our Communication with the Lines of Stollhoffen, was finished; and some Troops were posted in the Redoubts the Enemy had abandoned. Yesterday the Count de Frieze opened the Trenches before Drusenheim, where we have hitherto had but one Man killed and 11 wounded. The Enemy continue in the same Camp, within a League of Strasbourg, and have begun to intrench themselves.

*Frankfort, Sept. 23.* Letters from Prince Eugene's Camp of the 15th Instant say, his Highness had ordered a Detachment of 6000 Men to be in a readiness to march, together with some Artillery, towards the Po; but it is not yet known upon what Design.

*From the Duke of Marlborough's Camp at Arschot, September 24. N. S.* The Workmen sent from the Army to demolish the Enemy's old Line between the Neethe and the Demer being augmented to near 5000, that they might make the greater Expedition, they have already levelled all the Redoubts, and made so good a Progress in the remainder of that Work, that the whole will be finished on Saturday next. We have had almost continual Rain for three days past, which begins to incom-