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Plymouth, April 3.

This day arrived here the *Edward and Mary* of *Dover*, intending for the *Canaries*, and the *John and Francis* of *Hampton* for the *Madera's* and *New England*.

Here is also come in the *Rush* of this place from *Bayonne*, laden with *Wine* and *Brandy*.

Warsaw, *March 21*. The Assembly of the States still continues, but have as yet made little advance into any affairs of importance. This last week was spent by them in making Inquiry into the vacant Charges, which they desire may be speedily filled up, refusing to enter upon any other business till this be done, in which if they are not complied with, they threaten to return home, and to break up the Diet.

On Tuesday last the Equestrian Order went in a Body to the House of the Senators, where His Majesty was then present, where the *Pacta Conventa* were read to them; at the reading of the last Article, which imported, that if the King did not rightly and duly perform on his part what he had promised by the said agreement, that then they were discharged from their allegiance; they all with a loud voice signified their approbations.

The Arch-Bishop of *Gnesne* and the *Crowns General*, have not yet appeared at the Diet.

The Equestrian Order having desired the dismissal of all Forreign Ministers to whom they usually attribute the Cause of all their disagrements, the Count *de Schatzorg* the Emperours Ambassadour immediately left the place and is returned home.

Here is lately arrived a messenger with Letters from the Great Duke of *Muscovy* to his Majesty, but the business of them not yet known.

His Majesty has amongst other things, proposed to the Diet the Queens Coronation, which he supposed might be performed at *Warsaw*, to avoyd the Trouble and expence of going to *Cracow*, desiring that care might be taken for the fixing of a Revenue for the maintenance of her household, according to the practice of former times.

Rome, *March 22*. On Sunday last a party of the Cardinals began to cast their Eyes upon *Odeschalchi* as a person not unfit to be promoted to the supreme Dignity, who being acquainted with it, modestly advised them to consider what they went about in his nomination, lest they might afterwards too late repent of their kindness to him, since many things had been done by former Popes, which were he in the Chair, he could not tolerate; but this his Declaration winning upon the generality of the Cardinals, On Wednesday he had gotten so great a party, that his Election was not doubted, and some of the Cardinals were already providing to leave the Conclave; he having the Spanish party on his side, with Cardinal *Chigi*; Cardinal *Franisico Barbarini* and *Rospigliosi* favouring also his Election, but that the Squadronists were not so easily to be gained by him, as fearing he would prove too severe and rigid in the Chair.

The person who most appeared against him was Cardinal *Imperiale*, in memory of his advice given to *Alexander VII.* about the business of the French Ambassadour *Croqui*, to remove him from the Court of *Rome*. The French party instantly acquainted the Duke *de Chaulnes* of what had past in Order to his choice; who has desired the suspension of their Voyces, till he had first by

a Courier sounded the King his Masters inclinations towards it.

The Cardinals *Antonis Barbarini*, *Pallavicini Bonelli* and *Spada*, are again returned into the Conclave, but Cardinal *Ludoviso* still refuses to enter till the Election be fully agreed on, intending then to comply with the prevalent party, and to make his adoration according to Custom.

The Cardinals *Nerli* and *Albizi*, were about the same time nominated by the Squadronists; but Cardinal *Chigi* being much offended with the exclusion of the Cardinals, his Creatures makes use of all his interest to oppose any of their nomination.

The Cardinals *Barbarin*, *de Medici*, and *de Rortz*, have resolved to proceed sincerely and unanimously to the Election. Cardinal *Chigi* has laid aside all his hopes of prevailing for any of his own Creatures, professing his readiness to comply for the Election of any Person who shall be judged fittest to succeed, with respect to the Service of God, and the Interest of the Church, so as they are not declared enemies to his Family. Those of his Faction declare their inclinations to many of the Old Cardinals, but will not easily give their Suffrages to any of the younger.

The Colledge being informed, That a party of the *Banditi* had made an Inroad into the Ecclesiastical State bordering upon the Kingdom of *Naples*, and plundered several Houses immediately gave Order for the March of 300 Souldiers towards those parts, and have desired the Viceroy of *Naples* to Command out some Forces for the suppression of those thieves.

Legorn, *March 24*. The 18th instant arrived here the *Prudent Mary* from *Morea* and *Zante*, the *Katherine* from *Zante*, the *Delight*, the two *Brothers* and *Unity* from *Puglia*, and departed again the 20th for *Genoua*, to find Convoy on their return home.

The 19th arrived the *Lewis* from *England*, *Marseilles*, and *Genoua*, and the 22th the *Mary* from *England* and *Genoua*.

This day came in the *John* and *Thomas*, and the *David* and *Jonathan Pinke* in 16 dayes from *Zante*; they were five Ships of them when they departed thence, but off the West of *Sicily* they met with four Men of War of *Algiers*, who, after a sharp Encounter of three or four hours, took the *Merchants Delight*, the *Contoord* and the *Submission*, which last was afterwards by some accident set on fire. Two of the *Turks* were also coming on board the *John* and *Thomas*, but, finding him well Gunned, and supposing him to be a Man of War, turned away; but, finding afterwards their mistake, three *Algerines* made after him, and forced him to run on shore, which secured him.

Whilst this unhappy accident happened, Sir *to Harman* was with his Squadron riding in his Station off *Messina*, expecting their return, who were it seems intercepted by the *Turks* on their way.

This morning arrived the *Jerusalem*; a Ship of this place, in 27 dayes from *Smyrna*.

The Dutch Convoy for *Smyrna* may depart in two dayes, as may also the *Lewis* for *Scanderoon*.

The Great Duke has not yet left *Pisa*, and, it is now supposed he will return immediately to *Florence*, without giving a Visit to this place.

Milan, *March 26*. The Duke *d' Ossuna* continued still at *Vinale*, where he has been complimented from the *Margulla de los Balbases spinola*.

The Principal Officers *Civil* and *Military*, daily move towards the Frontiers, to pay their Respects to the new Governour, who is not expected here till the wayes be first repaired, and made passable.

The Army has been lately Mustered, and the Souldiers are again dismiss to their respective Quarters; we daily expect here the list of them, that so a true judgement may be made of the strength of this Government.

The Sieur *Gaspar Baratta*, the Principal Ingincer, is preparing for his Journey into *Sicily*, to take a view of the Fortifications of that Kingdom.

Vienna, March 29. From *Hungary* we are informed, That some of the discontented People of that Kingdom had sent some persons, as their Deputies, to Treat with the Grand Seignior, and to offer Propositions for Obedience to him; but, that they were returned with an Answer little pleasing to them, which put them upon other Counsels, and obliged a considerable part of them to submit themselves to the Emperour; and, 'tis believ'd the others will think fit to follow their example.

They farther say, That upon the Orders given for the Marching of the Emperours Forces into *Croatia*, Count *Peter Serini*, who had before been in Treaty with the *Turks*, dispatching a Monk to the Emperour with his submissions, desiring His Pardon; which His Imperial Majesty has readily given him, but the Forces Order'd to March into *Croatia*, are not remanded.

His Imperial Majesty has conferred the Charge of General of the Forces of *Stiria* upon Count *Ferdinand Ernest d'Herberstiers*, and given Commission to the Count *d'Ardeci* for the raising of three Regiments of *Croatians*.

The Count of *Tatenback*, who was concerned with Count *Serini* in the intended defection, is seized on in *Croatia*, and committed Prisoner to the Citadel of *Gratz* in *Stiria*: Those who were employ'd to seize him, found in his House several thousand Armes, and 100 thousand Crowns in Money. This News is received here with much satisfaction, and hopes that the Evils which so much threaten'd us on that side, are by this means in great measure prevented.

His Imperial Majesty has been pleas'd to give the *Troves* a longer time, till *Michaelmas* next, to retire themselves out of His Dominions.

Brussels, Apr. 9. We begin now to lay aside all apprehensions of any danger design'd us, by the Visit His Most Christian Majesty intends to make to his New Conquests; and a strict Command is given both in the Spanish and French Quarters, prohibiting all discourses of that Nature, which might occasion any Jealousie amongst the People.

Our Camp-Master-General continues the Fortification of *Ipres*, and intends not to remove from thence until the Cittadel and other Works there be compleated. This last week pass'd by *Bruges* above 100 Waggonns laden with Ammunition and Sto as intended for that place, and this day are to be sent thither 12 Great Pieces of Canon, to be plant'd upon the Cittadel.

The forces in *Brabant* have removed generally to fresh Quarters. The Constable of *Castile* expects to be suddenly succeeded in this Government, and 'tis supposed *Don Juan* may be prevail'd to accept thereof.

Brussels, April 12. Count *Marsin* having left the Cittadel and Fortifications at *Ipres* nearly compleated, the place well stor'd and provided with Ammunition, Artillery, and all other necessaries, with a Garrison of 4000 Foot, and a strong-body of Horse for the defence of that place, is gone thence to *Bruges*, and has since visited *Dixmuid*, and given his necessary Orders for the security of that place also.

On Saturday arriv'd here the Count *de Monterey* from *Antwerp*, and the next day went to the Palace to attend the Constables of *Castille*, but his indisposition permitted him not to receive Visits.

The Duke *de Villa Hermosa* is expected here about the end of this Month, to take possession of his Charge, as Lieutenant General of the Horse, which is the present supply'd by *Don Antonio de Cordova*.

From *Rouen* we are inform'd, That the Sieur *de Rubentel* quarter'd there on Saturday last, on his way from *Paris*, with twelve Companies of his Most Christian Majesties Guards intended for *Lille*, and will be suddenly followed by a Convoiy with cloaths and Muquets for 10000 Mer.

The French continue their Fortification at *Aeth*, where they daily employ above 1500 Men; they have there propos'd the pulling down the Citizens Houses, and rebuilding them in a form more suitable and proper for a Fortify'd Town.

We have had frequent complaints made by the Citizens of this place, of many disorders committed by the Spanish Souldiers, notwithstanding the care taken to keep them under a more severe Discipline.

On Tuesday his Excellency gave out his Orders for issuing out a months pay to all the forces within his Government.

The Chancellour of *Brabant*, and the Sieur *Agremans* a Member of the Privy Council, have began their Conferences with the Deputies from the States of *Holland*, about the differences between them and the Admiralty of *Ostend*.

Paris, April 12. After the solemn Baptisme of Mademoiselle *de Vallois* the 8th instant, at which were present both their Majesties and Royal Highnesses, with the Princes of Conde Duke and Dukes of *Enguyen*, the Princesses of *Comi* and *Carignan*, with all the persons of the greatest quality about the Town; where the *Dauphin* and Mademoiselle *d'Orleans* gave her the name of *Ann*; the Court returned the same night to *St. Germain*, His Majesty having first taken a view of the Triumphal arch, Erected in the Suburbs of *St. Anthones*, with some other buildings especially those at the *Louvre*.

The 9th instant the Son to the late Count *de Cominge*, was by the Marquis *Chasteauneux*, a Secretary of State presented to his Majesty, where he took the usual Oath of Fidelity, in order to his Entry upon the Charge of Governour of the Town and Castle of *Saurin*, with the Command of Governour and Lieutenant General in these parts in the room of his Father.

His Majesty has not yet altered his resolutions of Employing Monsieur *de Villeragues* to *Constantinople* to supply the Room of Monsieur *de la Haie* who has spent much time in those parts, and is to be suddenly recalled. Monsieur *de Fivonne* may also be sent as was formerly design'd with the Character of Ambassadour Extraordinary to the *Ottoman* Court; to renew the ancient Treatyes, and make such farther additions to them as may be most suitable to the advance of Trade, which his Majesty seems principally to aim at.

We have frequent advices of Extraordinary preparations for War in all parts of the Grand Segnions Dominions, but 'tis not yet known upon what place or Country he intends to fall, whether into *Hungary*, *Poland* or other parts of Christendom; upon the *Persians* or *Moores*, from both of which he has received considerable provocations.

Advertisement.

All persons selling Wine by Retail in England, Wales, and Town of *Berwick*, whose Wine-Licences ended at Lady-day last past, are advis'd by themselves, their friends or agents, to repair unto the Wine-Licence Office, situate in *Durham* yard, *London*, and renew their said Licences, and pay their respective Rents, due, and in arrear, that so they may save the charge and trouble which otherwise unavoidably will ensue.