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Madrid, Feb. 18.

ON the 7th of this Month early in the Morning the Marquis Grimaldo went to the Lodgings of Monsieur Orry in the Palace of Buen-Retiro, and shewed him a Decree by which the King discharged him from assisting any more at the Cabinet-Council, forbade him the Court, commanded him to deliver immediately all his Papers, and to depart for France within 4 Days; accordingly on the 10th in the Evening he set out from hence, having first desired the Officers of the Customs to Search and Seal up his Baggage, that it might not be Stopped on the Road on Suspicion of containing contraband Goods. On the 7th in the Morning likewise, the King by another Decree dismissed Don Melchor de Maestas from the Office of Fiscal General of the Royal Council of Castile. 'Tis said, that the Cardinal del Giudice, upon his being invited to return to Court, desired previously that these two Ministers should be removed, seeing it was their Misrepresentations that drew on him the King's Displeasure. His Majesty has since caused another Decree, drawn up by his own Hand, to be signified to all the Councils, importing, That the sole Bent of his Desires, in governing his Kingdoms, being the Preservation and Advancement of Religion in its Purity, the Relief and Welfare of his Subjects, the impartial Administration of Justice, the Extirpation of Vice, and the Encouragement of Virtue, which are the Motives of God's putting in to the Hands of Monarchs the Reins of Government; and consulting the Safety of his Conscience by pursuing those Ends, from which it is inseparable; he commands them to be vigilant in representing to him with all Christian Liberty and without being restrained by any human Respects, whatever tends to the Good of Religion and of the State; and if he should order any thing otherwise, for want of being rightly informed, to let him know it; protesting that his Intention is, to use his Authority to those Purposes only for which God was pleased to give it him; charging upon his Ministers, in the Presence of God, all that shall be done contrary to what they are admonished by this Decree; and declaring that he cannot think himself happy, unless his People find themselves so under his Government. By another Decree, the King has commanded the Council of Castile to lay before him the Names of those who compose the present Councils formed on the new Plan, with their Salaries; as also of those who were of the former Councils, and their Salaries; which makes it judged that his Majesty designs to put the Administration of the Government on the ancient Foot. Yesterday the Cardinal del Giudice arrived here, and immediately waited on the King, who received him with all Demonstrations of Favour.

Vienna Feb. 23. Some Days ago Count Harach was sent by the Emperor to carry the Order of the Golden

Fleece to the Hereditary Prince of Bavaria at Graiz, where the young Princes of that Family have been kept since the Expulsion of the Elector from his Dominions; they have been invited to take this Court in their Way when they return to Munich, to which they have answered, that it is not in their own Choice to accept of the Favour offered them, but that they must conform themselves to the Directions they shall receive from the Elector their Father. In a Council of War lately held, it was debated, whether the Emperor ought to assist the Venetians if the Turks attack them, and carried in the Affirmative by the Majority, of which Number was the President Prince Eugéné; but his Imperial Majesty suspends his Resolutions thereupon, till he has heard what the Turkish Aga has to propose; we have Advice of that Minister's having passed Belgrade, so that he is now daily expected here; as are also the two Ambassadors extraordinary who come from the Republick of Venice. Count Traun the Marshal of lower Austria, is gone to Pressbourg, as the Emperor's chief Commissioner, to put an End to the Session of the Hungarian Diet. Baron Malknecht is come hither from the Elector of Bavaria, to thank the Emperor for the Restitution of his Dominions. Mr. Cadogan arrived here Yesterday Morning, and is to have his first Audience of the Emperor this Evening.

St. James's, February 28. His Majesty has been pleased to direct Letters Patents to pass the Seals, for granting the Office of Post Master-General to the Right Honourable Charles Lord Cornwallis and James Craggs, Sen. Esq;

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint William Dalrymple, Esq; Sir John Swinton, Sir James Smoller, Sir Patrik Johnston, Barts. William Seaton, Jun. Alexander Abercrombie, Esqrs; and Sir William Kerr of Greenhead to be Commissioners for disposing so much of the Equivalent Money payable to Scotland as remains yet unapplied.

James Pendlebury, Esq; to be Master Gunner as well within the Tower of London, as within the Kingdom of Great Britain, and elsewhere.

Talbot Edwards, Esq; to be second Engineer. And Christian Lilly, Esq; to be third Engineer.

St. James's, February 28. This Day some of the Nobility and Gentry of the Principality of Wales attended their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, who were pleased to approve the Solemnizing the 1st of March, being St. David's Day, in the manner it has been advertised in the Gazette of the 15th of February.

Members chosen for the ensuing Parliament.

County of Brecon, Sir Edward Williams.
Baronch of Warwick, the Honourable Dodington Grenville,
William Colemore, Esqrs;

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