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*From the Grand Vizier's Camp near Sophia,
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HIS Excellency the Lord Ambassadour Wortley having received an Invitation from the Port to come to the Grand Signior's Camp then at Philippopoli, set out from Constantinople on the 23d of September, with a numerous Retinue. Several of the Towns through which he was to pass being infested with the Plague, and particularly Adrianople, to avoid them he was obliged to lodge all the Way under Tents at a great Distance from the Towns. On the 3d of this Month his Excellency arrived near Philippopoli, where according to Custom he made a publick Entry into the Camp: The Order of the March was thus.

First went the Mules carrying the Tents, attended by 12 Arabians whose Profession it is to pitch Tents. Then a Band of 52 Chiauffes on Horseback, who had been sent to meet the Ambassadour at a League's Distance from the Camp, and to conduct him to his Tents. After them went his Excellency's Domestick Janifaries, his Gentleman of the Horse, followed by six Grooms leading 6 Horses with rich embroidered Furniture after the Turkish Fashion. The Steward, at the Head of 14 Footmen in long Liveries, and 24 Footmen in Scarlet laced Liveries, after the English Fashion. Three Interpreters on Horseback, the Chiauffe Bashi, Chiaufflar Emini, and Chiaufflar Kiatibi; and after them his Excellency, mounted on a fine Arabian Horse with rich embroidered Accoutrements, and surrounded by six Chiohadars in long Liveries after the way of this Country, the Pashas here being attended by such Servants on publick Occasions. The Secretaries, Gentlemen, and Officers of the Ambassadour's Retinue followed, being all mounted. Then two Coaches after the English

Fashion, drawn by 6 Horses each; and after them came 36 Coaches covered with Cloth after the Turkish Fashion. His Excellency alighted at his Tent, where after he had treated the Turkish Officers and Chiauffes with Coffee, Sherbets, and Perfumes, he dismissed them. His Excellency, after having refreshed himself, visited the Rekeb Caimacam, who received him with particular Demonstrations of Esteem. On the 6th he set out for this Place, where on the 14th he arrived, being met two Leagues from the Camp by the Beglerbey of Rumelia Pasha of Sophia, who with a numerous Retinue and two Chambers of Janifaries, besides Chiauffes and Spahis, conducted his Excellency to the Quarters prepared for him. The next Day, the Grand Vizier arriving in the Camp from Nisfa, ordered that his Excellency's Tents should be pitched next to his, and a Chamber of Janifaries was appointed to serve and guard him. On the 16th his Excellency visited the Vizier, and had Reason to be satisfied with the unusual Civility with which he was received and entertained by him.

Berne, Dec. 8. Advice came hither by the last Post, of the Death of the Abbot of St. Gall, who died the 28th past at Ravensberg in Suabia, after a Week's Indisposition. It is supposed, this unexpected Accident will put off the Conference that was fixed for the 5th of January, in order to bring Matters to an Accommodation, because there must be first a new Abbot chosen. It is reckon'd the Election will be soon over, and then we shall know whether the new Abbot be disposed to follow the late Measures of his Predecessor. In the mean Time the Conference at Arau between the two Cantons is ended, and the Deputies are returned home. Letters from Turin of the 24th past advise, that a Marriage was talked of between the Prince of Piemont and a Princess of Portugal.

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