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Rome, March 14.

THe Pope notwithstanding his great Age continues in perfect Health, to the great joy and satisfaction of the People here, whom he hath lately eased of some part of the imposition on Meal laid upon them by his Predecessors. Here is lately gone from hence the Prince de Viccouro, Brother to the Duke de Bracciano towards Naples, with intentions as is said, to accompany hither the Duke de Gravina his Kinsman, in order to the Consummating the Marriage lately concluded between the said Duke and the Lady Ludovica, Niece to the Cardinal Altieri; but others who pretend to know more of that Affair, report, that he is gone to adjust some things which still remain undecided, with the Dutcheſs Dowager de Gravina, relating to that Marriage, and which they fear may after all put some stop to it.

From Bologne we are told that things remain in one posture there, the People still murmuring and full of discontent against the Cardinal Legat, but it is hoped that a short time may settle all things again, and bring those People to a better Temper; in the mean time some speak, as if that Cardinal might be recalled home from that employment, Here is much discourse of a Match to be made between Don Domenico de Gusmaa and the Dutcheſs Dowager de Gravina, a Lady who besides other great advantages, hath 80 Thousand Crowns yearly for her Joynture.

Venice, March 21. This Senate having by sale of Lands and Goods appertaining to several Religious Houses, lately dissolved by vertue of a Bull from the Pope to that purpose granted, towards the relief and assistance of Candia, during the late War with the Turks, raised near 200 thousand Ducats, the respective Creditors who then furnished them with Provisions and other Necessaries begin to appear, this State being resolved to give them all satisfaction, and as speedily as they may.

About the middle of the next Month Signior Morosini intends to depart from hence on his Embassy to Rome; his Equipage, and other things preparing here for that Journey being almost ready. Signior Motcenigo is lately arrived here from England, where he had been in quality of Ambassador from this Republick.

From Zant we are informed, that all hands are at work there in setting out the Fleet, which is very forward, but that they are in great want of Slaves, occasioned by the great multitudes that have been exchanged with the Turks upon the late Articles of Peace concluded at Candia, which this Senate are endeavoring to supply from hence and other places. From Spalatro in Dalmatia we have advice, that the Trade of that place begins very much to flourish, to the great enriching of those Inhabitants; and that it was hoped, a short time would finally put an end to the matter of regulating the limits, which they have been so long endeavouring.

From Constantinople we are fully confirmed of

the little likelihood there is of accommodating the Differences and Animofities which continue as great as ever between the Grand Signior and the Sultaneſs, who plainly discovers, that they only aim, whatever their pretences are, at the death of her two Sons, whose Life and Safety, since no other way is left, she publickly declares she will secure by force.

Madrid, March 18. Father Roche having been some time since by her Majesty nominated to the Bishoprick of Pampeluna, was accordingly on the 8th instant Consecrated here, with the usual Solemnity.

Her Majesty hath been pleased among several Competitors that appeared for the place of Vice-Chancellor of Arragon now lately void, to bestow it on Don Melchior Navarra, at present Fiscal of the Council of Italy, which is a promotion so considerable in respect of the place he was in before, that few thought he would have obtained it.

The Queen hath resolved for some particular reasons to call home the Duke d' Ossuna from his Government of Milan, who may succeed him in that Employment is not yet said.

Some days since arrived here an Express from Naples, with advice, that his Holiness had caused to be proclaimed the Beatification of Ferdinando the Third, King of Castile and Leon, famed in the Chronicles of this Kingdom, for many Miraculous Victories obtained by him against the Moors; which was received here with all the publick marks of joy, by the Court and the principal Persons of quality for several days together. We have advice here, that Captain Heling being on the 6th instant before Argiers, the other Fregats that were in Company with him, having been separated from him in foul weather, Four of their best men of War came out, making as if they would have fought him, but he having made ready to receive them, and one of them happening to come foul on another, so as to do each other some considerable damage, they thought fit to change their resolution, and to bear away with all the speed they could; Captain Heling chased them for some time, but not being able to come up with them, he was forced at last to desist from any further pursuit.

On the 5th instant Sir Edward Spragg left Cadix, with a Resolution to go for Argiers, where he hoped very suddenly to bring those people to a Peace. From Tangier we are informed, that the Mole there goes on apace, and that it was hoped by the later end of this Summer it may be so far finished, as that any 4th rate Fregat may be able to Caren by the side of the Mole in 13 Foot water when at low-est.

Paris, April 1. Here is lately dead the Marshal Schulembergh Governor of the Province of Berry; which Government his Majesty hath been pleased since to bestow on Monsieur de Lauzun, being valued at Ten Thousand Crowns a year. The charge of Introdutor of Ambassadors, vacant some time since by the death of Monsieur de Berlise, hath been by the King disposed of to Monsieur de Bonnoeuilly, who accordingly hath taken possession of it. It is here said that his Majesty hath some thoughts of

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deferring, by reason of the bad weather, we have of late had here, his journey into *Flanders* till the 5th of *May*; it is not yet certain whether the Queen will accompany his Majesty, though some are apt to think She may. This day *Monsieur Golbert* goes hence towards *Rocheport* to visit the Magazines there, and give all necessary orders for the forwarding the Ships that are there building.

Hamburg, March 18. From *Warsaw* our Letters tell us, that their Majesties of *Poland* were gone from *Czenochow* towards *Cracow*, to see the Salt Mines which are within two Miles of that place, and that they were expected back again before *Palme-Sunday*; they farther inform us, that they had advice from the Borders of *Russia*, that those Rebels perceiving into what a desperate condition they were reduced since their late defeat by the *Czars* Forces, had cut off their General *Stephan Radzins* head and sent it to the Emperour, hoping by that means to obtain their pardon for what was passed; but this will need a farther confirmation.

From *Vienna* we are informed, that the Counts *de Serin*, *Franchipani*, and *Nadassy*, who have been some time Prisoners at *Leopold*, being persons concerned in the late Rebellion in *Hungary*, were sent to *Presbourg* in order to their Trial, before the Commissioners by the Emperors order assembled there, but that not one of the *Hungarian* Gentlemen that were summoned by the said Commissioners to appear before them for the same purpose, have rendred themselves; so that we expect now to hear how they will be further proceeded against.

From *Ratisbanna* they write, that the Diet there had lately received an answer from the Emperour, to the Letter they writ concerning the Complaints of the Elector of *Cologne* upon the States General of the united Provinces, refusing to restore to the said Elector the Town of *Rynbergh*, in which his Imperial Majesty gives them full satisfaction, promising to write effectually to the said States about that matter, and to send Orders to his Resident at the *Hague*, to interpose vigorously in it.

From *Cologne*, that the Levies which they were there making of 2000 were almost compleated; that those Inhabitants continue to work with great diligence at the Fortifications of the place; and that the Count *de Vandemont* was returned thither from *Munster*, where he had been to confer with that Bishop, though upon what Subject was not known.

From *Hammelen*; that the Forces of the Dukes of *Lunenburgh* continue still encamped near the River *Wefer*, being ready to march upon the first orders; in the mean time that several Envoyes are there arrived from most of the Princes of the Empire, to offer their Mediation for composing of the present differences they have with the Bishop of *Munster*, notwithstanding which, there seems to be little appearance of a Treaty.

Hague, April 3. *Monsieur de Louvigny*, lately sent hither by his Excellency the Count *de Monterox* Governor of the *Spanish* *Neatherlands*, to inform this State of some things relating to the present posture of affairs, and to consult with them thereupon, having accordingly had several Conferences with these Ministers upon that Subject, is gone hence on his way to *Brussels*. Here is arrived the Count *de Risucourt* on the part of the Duke of *Lorraine*, but what his errand may be is not yet said.

We are certainly informed that the Ships fitted out by the Admiralty of *Amsterdam* for this Summers Fleet are quite ready, and that the great Ships will with the first Spring tide fall down to the *Texel* for the taking in their Guns, Stores, and other Provisions. Here is a discourse of two several Bodies of Men, which this State intends to keep on

foot this Summer, the one to be encamped upon the River *Issell*, the other near *Bergen op Zoom*, to be ready to march, as occasion shall require, besides the 8000 Men in *Maestricht*.

From *Copenhagen* we are told, that that King had resolved to send 6000 Men to the assistance of the Dukes of *Lunenburgh*, in case they were attacked by the Bishop of *Munster*, and that he had to that end already nominated the Regiments to be ready to march upon the first warning, and given directions for providing Artillery and other necessaries for them; that they were building there several stout men of War, some of which were almost finished, and that they were very intent upon advancing the Trade of that Kingdom, giving all imaginable encouragement to the Merchants, and endeavoring to draw in others to employ their Moneys in Trade.

The Magistrates of *Amsterdam* have lately confiscated several great quantities of French and other Brandies, to the value of above 60000 Guilders, imported contrary to the Orders of this State of *January* last, which will not a little discourage others from offending in the like nature.

Don Estevan de Gamarra Ambassador Extraordinary from the Crown of *Spain* to this State, is as is said preparing to leave this place, in a Month or six weeks, and to go to his Government of *Ghent*, which the Queen of *Spain* some time since conferred upon him; who will succeed him in his Employment here is not yet known. From *Vienna* our Letters tell us of the Empresses having miscarried lately, to the great affliction of the Emperour and the whole Court.

Lyme, March 25. The 23 instant arrived here the *Samuel* of this place from *Croisique*, from whence she came in Company of about 50 Sail of French, and 9 English Vessels, the first bound to the Eastward, the others to the West of *England*, from *Nantes*, *Rochel*, *Bordeaux*, and other parts thereof; that they had at their coming out, met with a very violent Storm, in which many of the French Vessels had been wracked upon that Coast, but that the English gained all their Ports, though not without some damage; they farther tell us of about 50 men of War that were making ready at *Brest* and other Ports on that Coast to put to Sea with the first Orders, that the French are lading there several Vessels of their own with Salt and Brandy for the *Sound* and those Northern parts, where it seems they would willingly be able to settle that Trade, so as to mannage it for the future by their own shipping.

Whitchalk, March 29. This Morning His Majesty, accompanied by his Highness Prince *Rupert*, and attended by his Grace the Duke of *Monmouth*, and several other persons of quality, went hence for *Newmarket*, where His Majesty intends to pass a day or two, and to be back again by Saturday.

This last Sessions, at the *Old-Baily*, *Elizabeth Calvert* was Indicted, Convicted, and Fined for Publishing of Seditious Books; and at the same time one *Thomas Palmer* a Book-seller in *Westminster-Hall*, was for the same Books, as likewise for another dangerous Book called *Nehushan*, also Indicted and Convicted, and by the Court fined and adjudged to stand in the Pillory; for Uttering, Selling, and Publishing of scandalous and seditious Books, knowing them to be scandalous and seditious, and to send to the disturbance of the Peace of the Kingdoms according to which Order he received his punishment the 24th instant at the *New Exchange*, and on the 27th in the *Pallace-Tard* at *Westminster*.