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Vienna; March 2. N the 13th of last Month Sir Robert Sutton and Mr. Stanyan, the British Ambassadours for the Mediation, had a Conference with the Imperial Ministers; who acquainted them with the Emperour's Resolution of agreeing to a Congress, that he had chosen Fetislau for the Place of holding it, that he understood the Treaty was to be upon the Foot of his keeping what he now possesses, and that the Venetians should be admitted to the Congress; that he had appointed CountVirmont and M. Talman to be his Plenipotentiaries; that M. Hefferman should be sent away in a few. Days with Prince Eugene's Answer to the Grand Vizier's last Letter, to the Effect above mentioned; and that his Imperial Majesty was very defirous that Sir Robert Sutton should repair to the Place of Congress, and Mr. Stanyan to Adrianople, with all convenient Expedition. M. Hefferman has been accordingly dispatched with Prince Eugene's Letter. The British ed with Prince Eugene's Letter. Ministers have been some Days in Readiness to set forward on their Journey; but a sudden Thaw happening on the 23d past, rendred the travelling by Land impracticable, and the Paf-Sage down the Danube is not free, there being such Shoals of Ice in that River that it is not yet navigable, but 'tis reckoned it will be in three or four Days. Count Legnasco is late-ly arrived here as a Minister from the King of Poland, but without a Character: His Bufinels is thought to be the forwarding the Match between the Electoral Prince of Saxo. ny and the Archdutchess, in which very little Progress has been made hitherto. Venice, Feb. 25. On the 16th Instant Offi-

cers were sent to Malamocco to pay the Recruits which are imbarked on feveral Transports for the Levant, and at the same Time to give sailing Orders to two Men of War, the St. Spiridion and the Hydra, which are to join the Fleet at Corfu. Orders are sent to General Schuylenbourg to pass from Corfu to Dalmatia. The Senate have chosen Sig. Carlo Ruzzini, Procurator of St. Mark, go in the Quality of Ambassadour and Plenipotentiary of this State, to the Congress which is to be held in Hungary for treating of Peace with the Turke; and Sig. Vendramini Bianchi, Secretary to the Council of Ten, is named to be his Secretary for that Negotiation. Sig. Ruzzini was Plenipotentiary of this State at the Treaty of Carlowitz. 'Tis said that during the Congress Sig. Grimani is to re-fide at the Court of Vienna. A Proclamation has been newly published, offering 10 per Cent. to those Subscribers who will advance 300000 Ducats for the Service of the Victualling-Office. On the 22d arrived here the Count de Charolois, Brother to the Duke of Bourbon, to partake of the Diversions of the Carnival; after which he is to return to Vienna, in order to make a second Campaign in Hungary.

Berne, March 9. The Deputy of this State who came hither lately from Baden to give an Account of the State of the Negotiation there, continues here; as do likewise those

of Zurich, who have received Orders from their Masters to remain here till every Thing be adjusted between the two Cantons, which 'tis now hoped will be foon, the greatest Difficulties, which hitherto have obstructed the Conclusion of the Treaty of Baden, being got over, and the remaining Difference being only about Words to be inserted in the Treaty. Tis advised from Milan the 1st Instant, that the Emperour had recommended 18 Spaniards to be Members of several Colleges of that Town, but that the Magistrates had represented against them, alledging that they could not admit them, such a Recommendation being contrary to their ancient Privileges. They add, that publick Prayers were ordered to be held in all Churches of that Dutchy for the Empress, who they had received Advice from Vienna is with Child.

Dresden, March 5. The States of Saxony continue assembled here, and have nominated seven Deputies of their Body to draw up an. Act in the strongest Terms, which is to be presented to the King, for the perpetual Security of the Ecclesiastical and Civil Rights of the Protestants of this Electorate. On the 1st Instant the King caused the Carnival to be closed with a great Entertainment: The whole Court was in Masquerade, and divided into four Companies, representing the Country People of both Sexes of four different Nations: In the Afternoon these Companies went to the Court, in open Chariots, preceeded by Musick; in the Evening a Play was acted by Italian Comedians; after which there was a magnificent Supper; and then a Ball that last-ed till Six the next Morning. Prince Dolhorouki, Ambassadour from the Czar, arrived here some Days ago, and Yesterday had a pri-

vate Audience of the King.

Cassel, March 7. General Boinenbourg, whom the Landgrave sent to Vienna, to offer to put his Troops into the Emperour's Service, is returned hither. His Imperial Majesty would have taken one Regiment of Foot, and anqther of Horse; but on such Conditions as 'tis thought the Landgrave will not accept. ist Instant, being the last Day of the Carnival, there was a splendid Entertainment at Court; the Company was divided into four Bands, each of Nine Ladies, and as many Gentlemen who had drawn Lots for their Partners, and were dress'd in the Habits appointed them: The 1st, as Venetians; the 2d, as Turks; the 3d, as Moors; and the 4th, as Muscovites: They walk'd in Procession, with the Musick proper to each Band, to a large Hall, where an Amphitheatre was prepared of Ever-greens, adorn'd with Statues, round which were two Rows of Benches, and Tables ferved with all Sorts of cold Meat and Confections: The Area was made into a Garden, fill'd with Orange-Trees, and different Sorts of Flowers; and at one end, was a large Grotto, with a Cascade, and Jetsd'eau, on which the Singers and Musicians, who perform'd a Pastoral the Time of Supper, were placed instead of Statues. After Supper there was a Ball, which lasted till Six next Morning."