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Berne, March 27.

THE Secretary of Zurich, which came hither some Weeks ago with a Project for settling the Affair of Mulheim, and to desire the Concurrence of this Canton to it, is to return Home To-Day or To-Morrow. He has been defrayed, during his Stay here, at the Expence of this State. Our Council of Two Hundred named some Days ago two Deputies, who are to go the 8th of next Month to Arberg, (a small City of this Canton about four Leagues hence) and to confer with other Deputies on the Part of the Neighbouring Cantons of Fribourg and Soleurre, for accommodating several Disputes relating to Trade and Commerce, which are arisen of late between these three Cantons, on Occasion of a Mandate published here for prohibiting the Importation of several foreign Commodities and Merchandize. Two Gentlemen of this Town have lately made, with the Consent of this State, a Contract with the Republick of Geneva, for furnishing certain Materials to be used in the Fortifications of their City, which are carried on with great Diligence. An Officer of Artillery, who at the Request of those of Geneva, was sent them two Years ago by this Canton for putting their Arsenal into some Order, continues there still, and has answered their Expectation, having put what belongs to their Artillery into a good Condition.

Naples, March 12, N. S. Admiral Byng had Intelligence some time ago, that a Venetian Ship of 48 Guns and 250 Men, had been fitted out at Venice, went to Malta under Venetian Colours, and there received a Commission signed by Sig. Patino, which it was pretended had been transmitted to the Spanish Minister there. From thence she went a cruizing under Spanish Colours, took an English Ship coming from Turkey, which the Captain disposed of at Cagliari, and thence went to the Coast of Spain to intercept the British Trade. The Admiral gave Orders to the Cruizers to look out for this Ship, and the Rupert and Orford met with her off Peniscola: The former coming up with her first, the

Venetian fired a Broadside, but the Rupert clapping her on board soon took her: In the Action the Captain of the Venetian Ship was shot through the Body, and lost between 30 and 40 Men, who were all Venetians, except three Spaniards and eight English. The Admiral having ordered the Venetians taken to be imprisoned, has written to the British Minister at Venice to acquaint him with the Informations he has received concerning this Ship, and to desire him to complain to the Senate of this Piratical Proceeding, and to demand Satisfaction, if it shall appear that the Owners of the said Ship are Venetians. The English Mariners taken in her will be sent home Prisoners. The Admiral has received by a Courier a Letter from the Earl of Stair, acquainting him, that the King of Spain's Accession to the Quadruple Alliance was signed on the 17th of February at the Hague. By the same Courier he also received a Letter from the Marquess Beretti Landi for the Marquess de Lede, and another from the Emperour's Minister for General Mercy. On the Arrival of this Courier he had immediately a Conference with the Cardinal Viceroy here, and designs to sail for Sicily with the first fair Wind, in order concert the proper Measures for the Evacuation of that Kingdom and of Sardinia by the Spaniards.

From on Board the Barfleur off Baie, March 15, N. S. Admiral Byng is now under Sail for Trapani. He has received Letters from Captain Saunders at Trapani, the last of which is dated the 11th Instant: They give an Account that upon the Death of General Wachtendonck, General Zumjungen was sent to Trapani, to lead the Troops from thence to the Army under General Mercy. They marched on the 7th, and it was reckoned they would reach the Army on the 11th. Captain Saunders had received a Letter the 10th from General Mercy, acquainting him, that the Spanish Garrison of Xacca yielded themselves Prisoners of War on the 6th.

Stockholm, March 16. The last Letters from Carlscroon advise, that eight Men of War of the Line of Battle are ready to put to Sea, and that all their other