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From Tuesday October 5. to Saturday October 9. 1725.

Conftantinople, August 21, O.S.

On the 12th Inftant a Courier brought Advice to the Port, that on the 21ft of laft Month the Perfians to the Number of about 100000 Men attacked the Turkifh Army before Tauris, and fought with them all Day with doubtful Succefs, but that in the Evening they were forced to retire into the City, the Turks following them. Tauris has no Fortifications, but is divided into Eight large Streets, at every one of which the Perfians had made Ditches with Ramparts behind them; thefe they defended fo obflinately, that tho' the Turks attacked with great Bravery they fought almost Hand to Hand in the Town three Days and four Nights, in which Time the Turks having taken Six of those Ramparts Sword in Hand, the Perfians furrendred the other Two, and confequently the City, at Difcretion. There must needs have been a great deal of Blood spilt in fo long a Fight between so numerous Armies; and 'tis given out here, that of the Pessian about 80000 were actually flain, and about 25000 Turks. This great Vistory was obtained by the Seraskier Abdullah who is Pafha of Van, and of the famous Family of the Kiupruli's. It is faid, that Prince Tochmas Seb the late King of Perfia's Son, headed the Perfians in this Battle the first Day, but withdrew the second, being wounded; and that it is not yet known what is become of him. Since the News of this Battle came. the Port has alfo received Advice, that the Seraskier Mustapha Pafha, who commands another Army towards Ghencia, has taken a Fortrefs called Lori near that rich City, and it is not doubted but he will take the City itfelf, after which he is to march into the Province of Schirvan, whofe Inhabitants are all of the Mahometan Seft. It is reported, that Mirveiz having been

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murthered by fome of his Officers at the Infligation of his Nephew Efchreff, the latter has fince been murthered likewife; and that thofe People whom they call the Avogans, are fo leffened by their Divisions, that the Port has Thoughts of marching their Army to Ispanan, in order to drive them quite away, and fettle the Kingdom of Persia upon such a Foot as may best fuit their Interest. Upon this great News publick Reajoicings were made here for five Days, and a Firework was let off; to which Rejoycings all the Christian Ambassadours were invited. Lisbon, OS, 3, N. S. On the 24th pass the In-

Lirbon, Off. 3, N. S. On the 24th paft the Infante Dom Alexander entered into the 3d Year of his Age, upon which Occafion their Portuguele Majefties received the Compliments of the Nobility and other Perfons of Diftinction, who had the Honour to kifs their Majefties Hands. - M. de Montagnae, who is charged with the French Affairs at this Court, gave a very magnificent Entertainment the 26th paft, in Celebration of the King his Mafter's Marriage. Yefterday the Fleet arrived here from the Bahia, confifting of 22 Merchant Ships under the Convoy of two Men of War. They bring 22000 Chefts of Sugar, and 15000 Rolls of Tobacco. There came at the fame Time the two Ships expected from India, which had been obliged to touch at the Bahia. The latter have brought a good Number of Diamonds.

Hague, Off. 12, N. S. The States of Holland are affembled, and have under Confideration the putting effectually into Execution the new Tarif or Book of Rates The Zealanders have refued to admit those Officers of the Cuftoms who were fent to act jointly with theirs in collecting the faid Duties of Importation and Exportation. The Deputies of the several Admiralties having upon this Occafion been fummoned hither, are arrived. The faid States having employed General Hompefch