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*Petersburg, June 14.*

**O**N Sunday last M. Hockholtz, the Queen of Hungary's Resident at this Court, had an Audience of the Empress at Peterhoff, in which he notified to her Imperial Majesty the Coronation of her Hungarian Majesty as Queen of Bohemia. M. Koppin, who was formerly the Duke of Mecklenburg's Minister at Stockholm, arrived lately at this Court with a Commission from the Duke of Mecklenburg; but her Imperial Majesty, not thinking fit to enter into it in the present Situation of Affairs, has been pleased to dismiss the said Gentleman with a present of 2000 Rubles.

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**A**DVICES lately arrived from Persia, confirm not only the Sophi's Retreat, with his Troops out of Dagistan and the Parts adjacent to the Russian Frontiers, to the other Side of Derbent and farther, towards Persia, but that he was actually marching through the Stepp, or Desert of Mungali, in the Month of March last. His Army was considerably diminished by the extreme Cold and Want of Provisions: A great Number of Horses, Mules and Camels, died also on the Way, so that not only common Soldiers, but many Officers were forced to travel on Foot, and the Sophi was obliged to stay some Time in the Mungalish Desert to put his Troops in Order again. From thence he marched in the Month of April to Tewris, with his whole Army, and proposed to continue his March to the Turkish Frontiers, and make the first Attack upon the City of Erserum, as he was fully determined to declare War against Turkey, and had already made such Preparations for it, Couriers having been dispatched into all the Provinces of the Empire, to furnish more Troops, Horses, Artillery, Provisions, and other Necessaries, as soon as possible. On the other Hand, the Turks are making the necessary Preparations; their Troops are already upon the Frontiers, both on the Side of Babylon and Erserum, and are daily reinforced.

*Extract from General Keith's Relation of the first Operations of this Year's Campaign, and the Action between him and the Enemy's Gallies by the Island of Corpo, on the 19th of May, under the Command of Vice-Admiral Falkenberg.*

**U**PON my Arrival, the 13th of May, with the Sixteen Gallies and two Bombarding Praums under my Command, at the River Cor-

po, the Enemy's Fleet of Gallies, which was then by the same River, drew back with the greatest Precipitation twenty Werst into the Sea, where it was augmented with some Barks; but our Gallies and Praums were detained the next Day at the Mouth of the River by a contrary Wind, which blew so strong for two Days, that our Praums could not go forward. During which Time, the Enemy might have come with a fair Wind to attack us.

On the 18th towards Evening, the Enemy came nearer to us, wherefore I placed our Praums at the Mouth of the River by a Pass, and the Gallies immediately behind them, to wait for the Enemy, who was that Evening within three Werst of us, but not resolving upon any Enterprize, came to an Anchor. Whereupon I sent a Lieutenant Colonel with Three hundred Men to guard the Pass for our Gallies; and four Field-pieces, and afterwards four Eight Pounder Galley-pieces were planted on a Battery on the Shore.

The next Day the 19th at Sun-rise, we saw the Enemy's Praum and Gallies just before us, but the Vice-Admiral's Galley, and the Right Wing, kept behind an Island just by. The same Day in the Afternoon, the Enemy's Fleet, consisting of twenty Gallies and one large Praum was put in order against the Mouth of the River Corpo, by the Island of that Name, to venture upon an Attack. The Enemy began and continued for three Hours a hot Fire upon us with their Cannon; against which our two Praums chiefly fired, there being so little Room, that only a few Gallies could act behind the Praums; but for that Reason there was the brisker Fire from the Cannon planted on the Shore, which, with the Praums and Gallies together made Fourteen hundred and seventy four Shot. After this three Hours Engagement, the Enemy, tho' superior in Number, had not only gained no Advantage, but was forced to retire back to Sea with no small Damage. The Enemy's famous great Praum, called the Hercules, ceased firing two Hours before the End of the Engagement, and was drawn out of the Line. It was also observed, that two Flag-Officer Gallies retired twice out of the Line, probably to repair some Damage received; and as we saw that one Galley was towed by another in the Retreat, one may conclude, that the Enemy's Fleet of Gallies must have suffered no small Damage and Loss of Men; for as they were driven back they retired with such Precipitation, that the third Day after the Action they could scarcely be discerned from our Light-House; and as we found the Anchor of the Hercules Praum with the