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Petersbourg, July 9.

THE following Advices lately received from Persia, confirm the former Accounts of the Designs and Measures of the Sophi, viz. That he continued fixed in his Resolution of declaring War against the Turks; had already brought to the City of Amadan his heavy Artillery and other warlike Stores provided for that Purpose; had ordered large Magazines to be erected with all possible Expedition in that City and in Kirmansha, and had sent the strictest Commands throughout all Persia to raise a numerous Army, which should march directly to Amadan as the Place of general Rendezvous. When the Sophi was got through the Desert of Mungali, he marched with his Army towards the Turkish Frontiers: In the Beginning of May he was arrived at the City Agara, three Days Journey from Tewris, where he reviewed his Troops, and was disposed to put them in a better Condition, as they were very weak and faint with great Fatigues and long Marches. Nevertheless he sent a Detachment of his Army before to Kirmansha, to wait there for him, intending himself to pass by Tewris and proceed directly to Maraga; and in all Probability he would be upon the Frontiers of Turkey by Midsummer, or the Month of August at latest. As the Sophi is preparing with so much Zeal and Expedition for an offensive War, so on the Turkish Side, they began to make the necessary Dispositions upon the Frontiers as soon as they were informed of his Intentions. The Seraskier of Babylon has put every Thing in Order fit for a Defence, and to strengthen the Fortifications of that City, has filled the Trenches with Water. Not only the Babylonish Side, but Karş and Etsrum are now also in a good State of Defence, and well provided with Men and Artillery. The Day before Yesterday the Empress, accompanied by his Imperial Highness the Great Duke, went from the Summer Palace in this City to Sarskrimuse, a Palace about 30 Werst off, where her Imperial Majesty proposed to stay a few Days, and from thence to go to reside at Peterhoff during the rest of the fine Season.

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Petersbourg, July 12. The Czarina is returned with the whole Court to Peterhoff, where her Majesty intends to reside till the 26th Instant, and then to return to Town, to celebrate the Festival of the Peace, for which great Preparations are making.

Stockholm, July 19, O. S. On Saturday Morning last Lieutenant-General Bodenbroke was conveyed, under a strong Guard, from his Prison to the Northern Gate, where, pursuant to his Sentence, he was beheaded on a Scaffold erected for that Purpose: His Behaviour was very decent, and in all his Actions he shewed a great Calmness of Mind. Next Saturday remains fixed for General Count Lewenhaupt's Execution, though he has desired a Reprieve for fourteen Days. The Senators Lowen and Eric Wrangel are named by the King and Senate to go and notify in Form to the Bishop of Lubeck, his being elected by the four Orders of the States, Successor to this Crown, and also to conduct his Royal Highness hither.

Florence, July 23. This Government, on Notice that the Sickness at Messina was extended into Calabria, on the 12th Instant prohibited all free Commerce with the Kingdom of Naples, and ordered Fifteen Days Quarantine for the Persons, and Twenty-one for the Goods. On the 20th, the like Prohibition of free Commerce and Terms of Quarantine with the whole Ecclesiastical State was published; in consequence of which, Detachments of Soldiers have been sent to draw a Line and barricade the Passages on the Borders of Tuscany with that State, so as to hinder the Entry of any Passengers and Goods. Three Gates out of the Nine of this City, are to be shut up, and a Nobleman to attend at each of the other Gates with the Health Officers, to examine all the Persons that arrive. All Letters from thence, as well as those from the Kingdom of Naples, are opened and perfumed at the Lazaretto, and all Couriers and Mails relieved on the Confines by others from thence. Many Deserters from the Spanish Army in the Romagna daily arrive here. From Spmbatdy and Romagna we have nothing new, except that most of the Sardinian Horse is repaired to Piedmont, for which Place they