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AT the Court at *Kensington*, the 14th Day of *June*, 1744.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to order, that the Parliament which stands prorogued to Thursday the Twenty First of this Instant June, should be further prorogued to Thursday the Second Day of August next.

Naples, May 26. N. S. The Accounts from Sicily are at present very favourable. The Venetian Physician who has perfumed and purified the City of Messina, and the Villages that were infected with the Plague, has published a Declaration, whereby he asserts, that all Communication may with Safety be resumed with those Places. At Reggio in Calabria, and the adjacent Villages, the Sickness daily decreases.

Florence, June 2. N. S. On the 24th, Prince Lobkowitz went from his Camp at Monte Rotondo to Rome, attended by the Generals Brown and Linden, and about Fourscore Officers, and escorted by two Companies of Grenadiers, who remained without the Gate of the Town. He went directly to Cardinal Albani's Palace, through the continual Acclamations of infinite Crouds of People who were assembled to see him pass. In the Afternoon he had an Audience of the Pope, who received him very graciously, and gave him a Sett of Beads of Lapis Lazuli, and a Gold Medal, and Medals of Gold and Silver to all his Officers, according to their Ranks. Prince Lobkowitz returned in the Evening, in the same Manner in which he came, and was attended by Crowds of People, who gave the most publick Marks of their Attachment to the Queen of Hungary, and of their Aversion to the Spaniards. Cardinal Acquaviva seldom goes out of his House, and has increased the Guard of the Place d' Espagne where he lives, and of the two Farnese Palaces, very considerably. As soon as Prince Lobkowitz returned to his Camp, he sent out several Detachments, on Notice that the Spaniards and Neapolitans had made the like Detachments, and believing that the whole Army would advance from Agnani and Froffinoni. On the 26th the whole Austrian Army moved from Monte Rotondo to Lunhezza, from whence on the 29th it advanced to Frascati and Zagarola, and from thence was moving to Marino and towards Albano. Some light Skirmishes happen

continually between the Detachments of both Armies. At the Time that the Austrians decamped from Monte Rotondo, all the Baggage and Officers Wives were sent to Rome. The King of Naples was sometime at Veletri with a considerable Part of his Army; but Advice arrived at Rome on the 30th in the Evening, that he was retired to a more secure Place, it was believed to Monte Cafino. The rest of his Troops were in the Neighbourhood of Valmontone, where they have their Artillery, consisting of thirty Pieces of Cannon both small and great; both Armies are in a continual Motion, so that they change their Situations every Day. The King of Naples has caused an Edict to be published, granting a general Pardon to the Deserters from his Army, which amount to so great Numbers, that Prince Lobkowitz refuses to receive them, excepting Germans, Flemish and Catalonians.

Turin, June 7, N. S. The Spaniards keep a pretty large Body towards Ventimiglia and St. Remo. It is not questioned, but in Reality all the Endeavours of the Enemy are bent on the Mountains that divide Piemont from the County of Nice, and those of Chateau Dauphin; which being forced, the Sieges of Demont and Coni is what they have next in View. It is said, that the King of Sardinia proposes this Week to make a short Excursion to the two last mentioned Places, and some others of his Frontier Towns, in order to see that they be well provided for a Defence. From thence he will return hither, and, after settling some Affairs, it is generally thought that he will take the Field, and put himself at the Head of his Troops. The last Letters from Rome have not brought any Thing remarkable with regard to Prince Lobkowitz's Operations. It is supposed he waits for General Novati's joining him with the Lycanians, and the few Battalions that were left in Lombardy, which, by some late Letters, were already at Fano, and consequently must soon be with him. In the mean while he has moved from Monte Rotondo to Frascati and Albano, which the Spaniards and Neapolitans have abandoned; and it is thought they will continue to give Way till they get to the Garigliano, or some strong Camp, where they may make a Stand, and keep the Austrians at a Bay, till the unhealthy Season comes on, by which they hope to ruin his Army more effectually than they could propose doing by Fire and Sword; but as Prince Lobkowitz is well acquainted with the Climate, there is no doubt but he will prevent this Scheme, by forcing the Enemy to an Action,