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Warsaw, March 31.

THe Provincial Diets have been every where held, in order to the General Diet, which is to Assemble here the twentieth of the next Moneth for the Election of a King: In most of the Provincial Diets, the Interests of the Queen have been greatly considered, and especially in *Lithuania*; the Nobility of which Duchy have in their several Meetings agreed, That no Pialti, that is a Native of these Countreys, shall be elected, but such an one as may marry the Queen. Some days since arrived here a Gentleman sent by Prince *Charles of Lorraine*, with particular instructions, to endeavor to gain the Grand Marschal *Sobieski* to his side, and accordingly the said Gentleman is gone hence for *Lublin*; where the Marschal at present is. They write from thence, that the Deputies of the Army having long attended there, about getting their arrears paid; and finding that the Commissioners who had the direction of the Matter, still fed them with empty promises, without any intention in reality to give them satisfaction, were upon departure towards the Army, with threats that they would Confederate, and procure their Moneys that way; but the Grand Marschal *Sobieski* with his Authority pacified them, telling them amidst the promises of speedy payment of their Moneys, that this was no time to quarrel amongst themselves: There is appointed a general rising of the Nobility, to prevent any force, with which the most powerful may think to assist themselves at the Election; and even this, we fear will occasion great disorders.

Genova, March 31. This week arrived here from *Naples*, the Marquess *de Poux*, who was Extraordinary Ambassador at *Vienna* from the Crown of *Spain*. From *Milan* we have advice, That the Troops which were marched from thence towards the *Franche Comte*, are returned again, the *Swissers* having refused their passage; which the *Spaniards* very much stomach, and say is contrary to the Perpetual League between the *Swissers* and the House of *Austria*; but it seems the former are offended, That after the most Christian King had, at their earnest instance, granted a Neutrality to the said *Franche Comte*, the *Spaniards* refused to accept thereof. The Duke of *Mantua* continues very ill, and in great danger of his life; upon news whereof, the Empress Dowager *Eleanor*, who is Heir Presumptive of the Territories of the said Duke, is sending a person of quality to *Casal*, to take possession in her name, in case the Duke should die. In *Milan* they continue their Levies.

Vienna, April 8. The sixth instant Prince *Willem of Furstenbergh* was brought to *Newstadt*, not far from hence; where he is kept close prisoner: Some begin to talk here of making his Process. The Count *de Souches* appointed by the Emperor to command his Forces this Summer, is now here; his Baggage is already marched towards *Egra* in *Bohemia*, where is appointed the Rendezvous, and he himself will suddenly

follow; and in the mean time the several Regiments are on their march to the place of Rendezvous. From *Hungary* we have advice, That the Visier of *Offen* had caused the Chiaus that was lately here, upon his return thither, to be strangled, for not having followed some orders which he had given him in charge. In *Poland* they are preparing for the Election.

Strasbourg, April 13. The seventh instant Monsieur *de Turenne*, arrived in the Camp of the Marquess of *Rochefort*, who lay with the Forces under his command; not far from *Saverne*, upon which the said Marquess parted thence the next day for *Nancy*; since which, Monsieur *de Turenne* has changed his Station, and has at present, taken his Quarters at a place called *S. Jean* on the *Saar*. The Marquess *de Vaubrun* having quitted *Geymersheim* is retreated towards *Philipsburgh*.

Cologne, April 17. Yesterday Monsieur *Courtin*, and Monsieur *Bayillon*, Ambassadors of *France*, parted hence; and their Excellencies the Ambassadors of *England*, intend likewise to be going hence the beginning of the next week at farthest. On Thursday last, the Baron *d'Issola* signified to the Chapter of this Diocess; that the Emperor demanded a positive answer without any farther delay, whether his Electoral Highness will finally conclude the Treaty of Accommodation with his Imperial Majesty, or not; whereupon the Chapter resolved, That his Electoral Highness should be humbly prayed to conclude the same.

Rosierdam, April 20. The Men of War that are fitted out here; and at *Helvoetsluys*, will be very suddenly in a condition to sail; in the mean time, several Companies of Foot lie ready at the *Briel*, to go on Board the Men of War. The twenty fourth instant the Prince of *Orange* leaves the *Hague*, to go to the Army, by the way of *Utrecht*, where he will stay two or three days to settle the Magistracy of that City, and regulate other Matters, which since that Province fell into the hands of the French, have been in great disorder there; to the extraordinary prejudice of the Inhabitants: The Rendezvous of our Army, is appointed to be about the eight or ninth of the next Moneth at *Bergen op Zoom*, from whence they may be, with great ease, transported by Water to *Flanders*. It is very confidently reported here, That the Elector of *Brandenburgh* will joyn his Arms with those of the Emperor, and act particularly against the Bishop of *Munster*. Our Ambassadors are returning home from *Cologne*, and we expect, in some days, to hear of the arrival of the English Ambassadors in these Countreys from thence, they intending to take this way, in their return, for *England*.

Amsterdam, April 20. We cannot yet tell you what places the French will quit, and what not; though we seem here to believe, that they will yet ere this Moneth be ended, quit all their Conquests in these Provinces, save *Nimmogen* and *Mastricht*: Some Passengers report, That they have already removed their Canon from *Wesel*, and that they are about demolishing *Scenckensteins*, but without any certainty. The news which we had by the last Ordinary from *Groningen*, of the defeat of a party of *Munster* Troops between *Osmarsfen* and