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Rome, April 26.

THree or four days since arrived here two Polish Noblemen, sent by the Senate of that Kingdom, to present to his Holiness the Standards that were taken from the Turks in the battel of *Cochim* some months since, where the Poles gained so considerable a Victory: his Holiness very well accepted of the Present, and has Commanded, that the said Standards shall be hung up in *St. Stanislaus* Church here. The Crown of *Spain* has at last agreed to the raising a Tenth of all the Ecclesiastical Revenues in *Italy*, for the enabling the Poles to carry on the War against the Turks.

Venice, April 30. Here are arrived several Vessels from *Constantinople* who bring us an account, That the Grand Signior, finding the overtures that have been made to the Poles by the Cham of Tartary for Peace, to prove ineffectual, was resolved to prosecute the War against that Crown, with all the vigor possible; to which purpose vast preparations are making throughout all the Turkish Territories; and that the Tartars may be ready to joyn their Forces with his, the Grana Signior has sent a Chiat to acquaint the Cham with the time that he shall be in a posture to go into the Field requiring him not to fail to be then likewise ready with all the force he can bring together. Signior *Antonio Barbaro*, who hath served this State as General in *Dalmatia*, and *Cania*, is preparing for his Embassy to *Rome*.

Dantzick, May 5. The Bishop of *Muscikū*, Ambassador from the most Christian King, arrived here on Monday the 30 past, and Wednesday following, departed in all haste to the Election at *Warsaw*; from whence we have Letters dated the first instant, which tell us; there was a hot contest betwixt the Poles and Lithuanians, because the latter would have it *Asted*; That no *Piazus* (or Native of either Countrey) should be once nominated to be elected King; which the other strongly opposed, and this had lasted a whole weeks time; but was not come to an end: so that nothing was then done in relation to the Election. Some Deputies from the Army had Audience the 28 past, and desired payment of their Arrears, adding, that if they were not satisfied in a few days, they would leave their several Charges, and let the Crown take care for others to oppose the barbarous Enemy, which they are informed is approaching, with a very great Army. General *Sebtetzki* was nor come to *Warsaw* the first instant, but expected thither the next day.

Himbrough, May 6. The Dutch very confidently report here, that the Treaty between the States General and the Princes of *Lunburgh*, is already concluded, or will be very suddenly; by which those Princes, in consideration of a monthly Subsidy, oblige themselves to have 14000 Men on foot to assist the said States. They likewise say, that there is great appearance that the Negotiations of the States Envoy at *Berlin*, will have a good issue, notwithstanding all the endeavors

of Monsieur *Verjus* to the contrary, who we are told, onely desires of the Elector, that he will not permit the Enemies of the most Christian King his Master, to have passage through his Territories. The Bishop of *Munster* has now quitted all the places he possessed belonging to the States, or at least has given orders for the doing it. Our Letters from *Copenhagen* give us an account of the Ratification of the Treaty concluded between that King the Emperor, and the States-General of the *United Provinces*.

Ratisbonne, May 3. The Dyet here having issued out Instructions to the Generals of the Empire; for the speedy bringing together the Forces of the several Circles, they begin accordingly to march; and about the 16 or 20 of this month, it is thought they will be together in a Body. The Prince of *Baden Dourlach*, who is at present at *Vienna* to adjust several matters relating to the march of the said Troops, is suddenly expected back from thence; and having given the Dyet an account of his Transaction, he will immediately depart to the place of Rendezvous; In the mean time we have advice, that the French apprehending some designe upon *Philipsbourg*, have reinforced the Garrison there, and made all necessary Provision for the defence of the place. The 8 or 10 instant, the Imperial Army will begin to march from *Egra*.

Vienna, May 3. The Prince of *Baden Dourlach*, General of the Forces of the Empire, having had several Conferences with the Count de *Montecuculi*, is parted hence for *Ratisbonne*. It is confidently said, that the Army will begin to march from *Egra* the eighth of this month, but others barely think it can be so soon, for several pieces of Cannon, which are designed for this expedition, are as yet here. The Envoy that was here from the Turks, has adjusted the matter about the releasment of prisoners.

Basle, May 8. The succors designed for the *Franche Comie*, under the Conduct of the Duke of *Lorraine*, are arrived within three Leagues of this place, on the other side of the *Rhync*, and Monsieur de *Turenne* lies with his Troops within a League of us, on this side of the River, to oppose the passage of the said Duke. From the *Franche Comie* we have not any particulars of the Siege of *Bisanzon*, but onely this in general, That the French continue it with a great deal of vigor, and that the Besieged defend themselves very well.

Strasbourg, May 11. The Troops of the Duke of *Lorraine* according to our last advices, were arrived at *Scaffenhausen*, and Monsieur de *Turenne* continued encamped not far from *Basle*, being daily reinforced with several Troops that come from *Nancy* and other parts. In the mean time the Marquis of *Vaubun* keeps his Quarters at *Hugenaw* in our neighborhood, having about 3 or 4000 Men with him. The Imperial and Palatine Troops begin to march, as well on this, as on the other side of the *Rhync*, so that we may now in a short time hear of some action.

Cologne May 11. The Treaty of Accommodation between the Emperor and our Elector is not as yet concluded, though it hath been often said, and so many difficulties