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Rome, April 28.

**T**He Pope continues in very good health, contrary to the expectation of those, who consider his great age. Orders are now given for the raising the Tenths of all Ecclesiastical Revenues in *Italy*, to be sent to *Poland*, to enable that Crown the better to maintain the War against the *Turks*. The Cardinal *Altieri* has obtained satisfaction in the matter of *Ferrara*.

*Warsaw*, May 4. The second instant the Crown Marechal *Sobieski* having with him a Guard of two Troops of Horse, and a Regiment of Dragoons, made his publick Entry into this place, with great solemnity; for besides his own Train, which was very numerous, most of the Nobility and Senators, that were here, went out of Town to meet him; being arrived, he went to the Palace of Prince *Radzevil* under Chancellor of *Lithuania*, where he lighted, and was with his Company entertained at a very noble Banquet. Yesterday his Excellency was to pay his respects to the Queen, and this day appeared the first time at the Diet for the Election, which has been assembled here since the twentieth of the last Moneth, and according to the appointment, is to end the tenth instant; but we can hardly expect to see this great work so soon finished, seeing so little advance hath as yet been made in it: But one reason of that, is, That the Crown Marthal was absent, a person for whom the generality of the Nobility have a great affection and respect, especially since the last victory obtained over the *Turks*; and whose Vote in all Matters will be certainly of great weight, as long as the Nobility are satisfied that his actions tend to the publick welfare. Some therefore to make him less powerful with them, have spread abroad several reports, as if he were engaged in a secret faction to promote their particular Interest, if not to obtain the Crown for himself. Certain it is, that the Army, which being, as to the greatest part of it, composed of Nobility, pretend to have free Votes at the Election, hath left them to their General, to be given in favor of whom he shall think fit.

*Venice*, May 5. This last week arrived here a Vessel from *Corfu*, with Letters from the Proveditor General *Valieri* to the Senate, in which he gives them an account, That the *Plague*, and all other pestilentious distempers, which have long afflicted the Inhabitants of that Ill., was now by the Blessing of God, wholly ceased; which news we receive with a great deal of Joy, for that those people have suffered much, as well by reason of their affliction at home, as that it kept them from all commerce with their Neighbors abroad. Thursday last being *Ascension-day*, great numbers of Gentry resorted hither, to be present at the Ceremony of our Dukes marrying the Sea, but the weather being very bad, it is put off till Sunday next. Signior *Antonio Barbaro*, designed Ambassador to *Rome*. will not begin his journey thither till *October* next; in the mean time,

visits have passed between him and the Popes Nuncio here. The third instant, Signior *Massini*, Envoy Extraordinary from the Crown of *Poland*, had Audience of the Senate, to whom in an eloquent Oration, he represented the present condition of that Kingdom, in relation to the War it is at this time engaged in against the *Turks*; the need it stood in of being assisted from abroad, and the obligation that lay upon all Christian Princes and States to afford them that assistance. Having ended his discourse, the Senate desired he would in a day or two expect their answer, assuring him in the mean time of their affection for the Crown of *Poland*, and their zeal for its interests.

*Madrid*, May 9. The twenty one past, their Majesties went hence to *Aranjuez*, where it is said they will continue about a Month, the young King being much pleased with the divertisement of that place. The twenty seventh of the same Moneth parted from hence Count *Perring*, the Emperors Ambassador, on his way homewards. The Regiment of Guards is at present employed in building a small Fort near the *Casa del Campo* of 500 paces circumference. The Abbot *Taluzchi* is arrived here from *Poland*, in the quality of Envoy Extraordinary from that Crown. The Conde de *Montixo* is departed to the command of his Regiment, and Don *Francisco de Velasco* is gone to take possession of his Command of General of the Artillery in *Catalonia*, where they pretend to have an Army of 12000 Foot, and 4000 Horse this Campaign. The sixth instant, the Body of Don *Carlos de Aragon*, Nephew to the late Duke of *Terranova* whose Hair-male he was) was found in the morning, near S. *Placito's* Church in this Town, with eleven mortal stabs in his Breast and Belly; great search is made to discover the Authors of this execrable murder; and it is said, that there are already no small evidences against some. They write from *Barcelona*, that 1000 *Nepolitan* Foot were arrived there, under the command of Don *Antonio Guniadassa*.

*Ratisbonne*, May 14. The Diet is daily assembled here, the chief matters now in debate, relate wholly to the present conjuncture, and the Ministers of the Emperor press the Deputies to proceed to conclude them, for they speak of great dangers that threaten the Empire, That the Forces of the several Circles shall be forthwith brought together, hath been already, as we told you, resolved on; but now it is desired something more should be done for the farther security of the Empire. We do not yet hear what place is appointed for the general Rendezvous of these Troops, it is thought it will be some time ere they come together, for they seem to march but slowly, though the Prince of *Dourlach*, their General, omits nothing on his part, which may hasten them.

*Francfort*, May 18. The thirteenth instant passed here 600 *Quirassiers*, and 3 Troops of Light Horse, and took their way towards *Heydelbergh*; and since a Regiment of *Saxon* Foot is likewise passed towards the Palatinate, whither the Regiment of Horse of the Prince of *Lorraine* has orders to march to morrow. An Officer who arrives here from *Vienna*, through *Bohemia*,

mid, assures us, That General *Stuher* is parted from *Egra*, and that he advances with three Regiments of *Croats*, but that the Body of the Army remained still at *Egra*. The eighteenth instant, the Duke of *Klirry*, Envoy Extraordinary from his most Christian Majesty, arrived at *Munich*, and the next day had Audience of the Elector of *Bavaria*, but we know not the subject of his errand. We have advice, That the Duke of *Lorraine* has in his march found the ways very bad, and difficult to pass, and therefore hath been forced to march to the head of the *Rhinne*, in the County of *Furstenberg*, and to draw near to the Canton of *Schafhouse* to go to *Rhinfelden*.

*Cologne*, May 20. The Imperial Troops which had their Quarters on the other side of the *Rhine*, have now passed it, part near this place at *Wessling*, and part at *Bon*, and have taken their way towards *Liebnich*, where is appointed the General Rendevous. From the Palatinate, our Letters tell us, That the Elector *Palatine* was ready to go into the Field, with a Body of an Army, which under his Electoral Highness, is, as is said, to be commanded by the Count de *Capraz*. From *Liege* we have advice, That the sixteenth instant, the French under the command of Monsieur de *Bessons* attacked *Argenteau* for the first time, part of its Garrison happening to be then abroad on a party; and the eighteenth made themselves Masters of that Castle which they seem resolved to demolish: Since the French have besieged the Fort of *Navaigne*, and it is generally thought our next Letters will bring us an account that it is surrendered to them, though it is reported, that the Duke of *Bourbonville* is marching with several Imperial Troops to go and relieve the besieged.

*Antwerp*, May 22. The eighteenth instant, the French Troops under the command of Monsieur de *Beisonts* took the Castle of *Argenteau*, which stands upon the *Meuse*, not far from *Liege*; they are now undermining it, with intentions to blow it up. This Castle was thought impregnable, it standing upon a Rock which is almost inaccessible. The French have since besieged *Navaigne*, situate on the same River; they have already raised three Batteries, and planted twelve pieces of Cannon on each, and the general opinion is, that if not already lost, it will not be able to hold out many days longer: It is said, that the Duke of *Bourbonville* is marching to its succor, with 15 or 16000 Imperialists, and that he has already passed the *Roeer*. This day the Prince of *Orange* is expected at *Brussels*, to confer with the Count de *Moncrey*, about drawing both Armies to a General Rendevous, to relieve the place, if possible: But the Prince of *Conde* lies at present at *Binch*, with a considerable Army to observe their motions. Our Letters from *Basle* tell us, that the Duke of *Lorraine* was come the eleventh instant, within four leagues of *Rhinfelden*, having been forced to march a great way about, by reason of the badness of the ways; that the next day he would arrive there, to pass the *Rhinne*; but that in the mean time Monsieur de *Turenne* lies with 8 or 10000 Men on the other side of the River, within a Musket shot from *Basle*; which place has received 2000 French into Garrison.

*Brussels*, May 22. This day the Prince of *Orange* arrived here from his Camp at *Dijfel*, near *Malines*, his Excellency the Count de *Moncrey*, with all the General Officers, having been out of Town to receive his Highness, and to conduct him to the Palace, where he was entertained by his Excellency at dinner. Prince *Maurice* of *Nassau*, and several persons of quality being likewise present there, To morrow his High-

ness will return again to his Camp. We are much concerned at the French having taken *Argenteau*, and the danger *Navaigne* is in, of falling also into their hands.

*Ostend*, May 23. By Passengers who came from *Zealand* yesterday, we have advice, That Lieutenant Admiral *de Ruiter*, with the Ships of the *Maes*, and Lieutenant Admiral *Van Erp*, with those of *Amsterdam*, together with the Squadron of *North Holland*, are joyned with that of *Zealand*, at the place of Rendevous, which is below *Flushing*; but that the Squadron of *Friesland* is not as yet come up: That they are at present about 120 Sail, great and small.

*Hague*, May 22. Friday last arrived here Monsieur *Beverning* and Monsieur *Isbrans*, the Ambassadors of this State, for the Treaty at *Cologne*. The Deputies of *Zealand* who have been here these seven or eight days, went hence yesterday on their return home, after having regulated the matter in difference, concerning the Court of Justice: It is said, that the said Deputies before their departure, proposed, That the Moneys which shall be for the future coined in these Countreys, shall on the one side bear the effigies of the Prince of *Orange*, and on the other side the Arms of the States General, and there seems already great appearance, that this Proposal will take effect. On Thursday and Friday last, the Squadrons of *Amsterdam* and *North Holland*, composed of 33 Men of War, sailed out of the *Trevel*; and the Squadron of the *Maes*, sailed likewise on Friday about two in the Afternoon and we doubt not, but they are at present all arrived at the Rendevous at the *Weilings*, and joyned. The Squadron of *Friesland* and *Groningen* is not yet there, being 11 Men of War, but without them it is said, the Fleet will be 50 and odd Men of War. We have advice, that Monsieur de *Bessons* hath taken the Castle of *Argenteau*, and that he lies at present before *Navaigne*; which place will be of great importance to the French, for that it opens the passage between *Liege* and *Masfriche*.

*Paris*, May 23. In our last we told, that our Letters from the *Franche Comte* advised us, That his Majesties Troops having on the one side of the Old Town passed the *Doux*, and lodged themselves between the Town and the River; and that having on the side of the New Town made themselves Masters of the Green Half-Moon, the Inhabitants began to desire a Parley, which our Letters since confirm to us, and add, That accordingly the next day the City was surrendered to his Majesty, who after having refreshed his Soldiers, was resolved to proceed to attack the Citadel: Of which, in the next you may expect farther particulars.

#### Advertisements.

A Catalogue of divers Books lately brought from several parts Beyond Sea, by Robert Scot, and sold by him, at the Princes Arms in Little Britain.

VV Hereas there has been lately Printed a Sermon, pretended to be Preached by Mr. *Beerman*, on occasion of the death of Mr. *Venning*, for Francis Smith in Coburg; the said Mr. *Beerman* finding the same, besides its being Printed without his consent or knowledge, full of errors, Defects, and Nonfence, is forced to disown it, and to lay it at the door of the Publisher thereof.

T Here is a Collection of rare Italian Pictures to be sold (by way of Our-cry) Peeces by Peeces to those who shall bid most; the Sale will begin to morrow being Tuesday the 19th of this instant May, from the hour of three in the Afternoon, till seven in the Evening, and will continue every day till the whole Collection be sold off. Mr. *Berry* the Porter of *Somersets-house* will fully inform any person that is desirous to see the said Collection, and direct them to the persons concerned in the Sale.