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Naples, Aug. 1.

THe news we receive from Sicily greatly displeaseth this Court, and our Viceroy the Marquis d' Astorgas endeavors all he can to send a speedy assistance thither for the reducing the City of Messina to his Duty and Obedience; and the rather for that our last advices from thence, say, That the People there continue still in Arms; that they have forced the neighboring places to furnish them with great quantities of Provisions, which they lay up for their future occasions; that they have taken from the several Orders of Religious in that City, all their Plate which was employed for Holy uses, and Coynded it into Money; and that though several overtures had been made to them; on the part of their Viceroy, for the accommodating of matters, his Excellency shewing himself very ready to give them any reasonable satisfaction, and offering to remove the Stratigo who is their chief Magistrate, which was the chief thing they at first desired; that they persisted in this undutiful way, and in answer to what his Excellency had caused to be proposed to them, made very high and extravagant demands; so that we very much fear these Mutiniers have some encouragement from abroad.

Dantzick, Aug. 18. Our Letters from *Warsaw* give us an account, that his Majesty had received advice of the surrender of *Cochim* to the Turks, who without having any regard to the Capitulation, had put all the Garrison to the Sword; That *Machmet Kari Aga*, Son to the Visier of *Tartary*, was on his way to *Poland*, being sent by the Cham to offer his Mediation for the concluding a Peace with the Grand Signior, till whose arrival at *Warsaw*, and that the Turks know what effect his Negotiation has, they will not employ their Arms with any great vigor. People are generally of opinion, that a Peace will be concluded, with the exclusion of the Emperor and the Czar of *Muscovy*, and especially the latter. From *Riga* they write, That the Ambassadors which had been at *Mosco* on the part of the Crown of *Sweden*, were returned thither; and that they were to be followed by a great Embassy, which the Czar is sending to the King of *Sweden*.

Vienna, Aug. 22. Yesterday in the afternoon the *Sieur Michieli*, Ambassador from the Republick of *Venice*, made his publick entry here, and in a day or two will be conducted to his Audience. On Thursday last the *Sieur Burman*, Secretary of the Elector of *Cologne*, who was some days since made a prisoner by the Emperors Ordes, was examined by the Baron de *Hocher*, Chancellor of the Court, assisted by the *Sieur Alele*, Secretary of State, and near 8 hours were spent in this examination, of which we cannot learn the particulars, though, in general, it is said, that Monsieur *Burman* has by Bills of Exchange, received a considerable sum of Money, to corrupt the Guards that are about the

Prince of *Fussenberg*, in order to his escape; and some add, that Process will be made hereupon against the said Monsieur *Burman*, notwithstanding the quality he has from the Elector of *Cologne*. We are here very much in the dark, as to what parties in *Hungary*, however, it is certain that the Rebels, notwithstanding they receive frequent, though inconsiderable defeats, continue very much to disturb the Peace of those Countreys. Many people here seem to fear, that if a Peace be concluded between the Grand Signior and the Crown of *Poland*, the first may turn his Arms against *Hungary*, but with what ground we know not.

Francfort, Aug. 23. We expect now very suddenly to see an Army of 25 or 30000 Men, march against the French in these parts, viz. The Imperial Troops under the Command of the Duke of *Bourbonville*, which together, with those of the Duke of *Lorraine*, are reckoned to be 10000 Men, the Troops which the Marquis of *Baden* has brought from the *Meuse*, and are 5000: The Lunenburgh Forces about 12000, who are now within two Leagues of this place, a Regiment of *Saxony*, a Regiment of the Circle of *Franconia*, and 1300 Men of the Circle of the *Upper Rhyne*, to which the Elector Palatine will join his Forces, and some say, That his Electoral Highness is preparing to go into the field in person. We are farther told, That the Elector of *Brandenburgh* hath sent to tell the Elector Palatine, that he hoped yet before this month is expired, to be with his Army in the Palatinate. Monsieur de *Turenne* continues in the mean time with the Forces under his Command near *Landaw* in *Alsacia*, where he fortifies his Camp.

Coblentz, Aug. 28. Our Letters from *Francfort* of the 26 instant tell us, That on Saturday last the Duke of *Bourbonville*, the Duke of *Lorraine*, and the Marquis of *Baden*, having 16000 Men under their Command, held a general Rendezvous of the said Troops at *Geinsheim*, that the next day they decamped, and took their march towards the Palatinate; that the same day the Lunenburgh Troops passed the *Main* below *Francfort*, 600 Dragoons with 33 pieces of Canon having only passed through that City; when these Troops, as likewise some others that are expected, are joyned with the Duke of *Bourbonville*, there will be together an Army of 20000 Foot, and 12000 Horse. Monsieur de *Turenne* continues his Quarters near *Landaw*, having lately received from *Metz* and *Alsacia*, a reinforcement of 20 Squadrons of Horse and 3 Bataillons of Foot, and besides these, expects yet 2000 Men more.

Nuis, Aug. 28. Three hundred Men are daily at work here for the demolishing our Fortifications. The 26 instant the Regiment of *Bavaria*, composed of 800 Men, which hath been some time in Garrison here, was drawn out, and marched homeward, taking their way through the Countrey of *Hessen*. From *Magdebourg* they write, that the 22 instant the Elector of *Brandenburgh* arrived there, and that the next day he parted thence with her Electoral Highness to *Ostert*.
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