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Constantinople, March 17.

THE Weather has been excessive hot in this Country for some Days past, notwithstanding which, we have hitherto had a very healthful Season, no contagious Distemper having as yet appeared in any Part of this great Metropolis. The Grand Seigneur has ordered 6000 Janissaries to march to the Side of Oczakow, but with what View is not known; neither can we guess the Reason of the late Movements amongst the Troops quartered in Dalmatia. Jasigdi-Effendi, first Secretary to the Kishlar-Aga, is dismissed from that Employment, and is succeeded therein by Hadgi-Mustapha-Effendi. A few Days ago Baron Hochepleid, the Dutch Ambassador, paid a Visit to the new Captain Bashaw, to compliment him upon his Advancement to that high Post; when he was assured by the Bashaw, that the Subjects of the States General might depend upon his Interest for their enjoying all the Privileges and Advantages they are entitled to by the different Treaties; that he was a Well-wisher to the States General, and that he would take all Opportunities of convincing them of it.

Lisbon, March 24. On Monday last, being the Feast of St. Joseph, whose Name the King bears, the Court was very numerous and extremely brilliant; but no Promotions, either Civil or Military, were made on that Occasion as was expected. The Fleet bound for Rio de Janeiro, is ordered to sail on the 25th of next Month, if the Wind proves favourable. His Majesty being informed, that the Want of People in the Brasils, is in some Measure owing to the Number of young Women who have been sent from thence, by their Parents, under Pretence of its being their own Inclination rather to embrace a religious Life in our Convents, than to marry and settle there, has ordered, that, for the future, no Women or Girls shall come from thence, upon any Pretence whatsoever, before they have obtained the Permission of this Court to leave that Country, and have acquainted the Viceroy or Governor therewith.

Stockholm, April 13. The Queen, who has been again indisposed, is now something better; but his Majesty is confined to his Apartment with a feverish Disorder, which however his Physicians do not at all think dangerous. The Troops which are in Finland, are to remain there till all

the new Works which are adding to the Fortifications are finished; and they talk of sending thither two Battalions of regular Troops, to be employed in the said Works, in the room of the Militia of the Country; who will then have Leave to return to their respective Habitations. They have come to a Resolution to drain several Morasses and Lakes in this Kingdom, which 'tis not doubted will turn to good Advantage, as several large Tracts of Land, lately recovered that Way, have been greatly improved. Notwithstanding the Season is so far advanced, we have still excessive cold Weather in this Country.

Prague, April 14. They continue to assure us, that the Troops quartered in this Kingdom are to form a Camp this Summer, but as yet no Preparations are making for it; from whence 'tis concluded, that the Time of their Encampment is not settled. Towards the latter End of last Week we had a surprizing Quantity of Snow fell in these Parts, which melting, as it were, all at once, has so swelled the Moldau, that we are in continual Dread of its overflowing, the fatal Consequences of which we have often experienced.

Vienna, April 14. Yesterday Prince Piccolomini, who is perfectly recovered of his late Indisposition, set out for Moravia, in order to take upon him the Command of the Imperial Troops in that Country. Count Cobentzel, who went lately to Saltzbourg, in order to assist, in Quality of his Imperial Majesty's Commissary, at the Election of a new Prince-Archbishop, is returned here from thence. Her Imperial Majesty has appointed Major General Baron Stein to be Colonel-Commandant of the Archduke Joseph's Regiment of Dragoons; and the Marquis de Castiglione, and Count Breuner, are appointed Colonels-Commandant of the Regiments of Cuirassiers of the Archduke Peter-Leopold, and Lobkowitz. The Emperor has presented M. van Schwieten, his first Physician, who attended the Archduchess Marie-Anne, during her late Illness, with a fine Gold Snuff Box, and a thousand Ducats in Specie; the Empress presenting him at the same Time with a Diamond Ring and a Purse of five hundred Sequins.

Copenhagen, April 17. The King has appointed Field Marshal Count Schulenburg to be Secretary at War, in the room of General Count de Lerche, who is lately dismissed from that Employment; and the Command of the Body Guards,