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*Petersbourg, May 12.*

**T**HEY have already begun to make the necessary Repairs at the Winter Palace, but the Court is not expected till the End of October next. They write from Moscow, that the present Posture of Affairs, both in Europe and Asia, occasions the holding of frequent Councils at the Great Chancellor Count Bestucheff's.

*Aranjuez, May 21.* There has fallen so little Rain in this Country for near a Twelvemonth past, that we have no Prospect of any Harvest this Year. A Calamity which is the more alarming, as it is almost general throughout the Kingdom of Spain, so that it will be impossible for one Province to assist another. The Scarcity of Bread was last Week near occasioning a Disturbance amongst the People at Madrid, but by the Vigilance of the Magistrates, the Markets were soon supplied, though at a much higher Price than usual. The King has been pleased to appoint Don Juan de Lujan y Arc, to be Corregidor of Madrid, in the Room of the late Marquis de Rafal.

*Vienna, May 26.* Her Imperial Majesty has appointed the Prince of Baden-Dourlach to be Colonel of the Regiment of Foot, commanded by the late Prince Maximilian of Hesse-Cassel. The Place of Vice-President of the Supreme Tribunal of Justice, vacant by the Death of Count Frackenbourg, is given to Count Althen; as is that of Vice-President of the Regency of Lower Austria, to Count Pergen. Their Imperial Majesties went on Friday last to Luxembourg, from whence they are expected in a Day or two. On Saturday there was a great hunting Match in the Neighbourhood of Luxembourg, which their Imperial Majesties honoured with their Presence, and afterwards dined with Count Uhlefeld, at his Country Seat.

*Leipsick, May 28.* Their Majesties, who have been here for some Days past, and whose Presence has occasioned us a most brilliant Fair, set out on Friday last, accompanied by the Prince Royal, and the Princes Xavier and Charles, on their Return to Dresden. They write from Po-

land, that on the 13th Instant a Fire broke out at Opotchno, in the Palatinate of Mazovia, which burnt with such Violence, that two of the principal Churches, and upwards of two thirds of the Houses of that Town, were reduced to Ashes, notwithstanding the Inhabitants had all the Assistance it was possible for the neighbouring Towns to give them.

*Hambourg, May 29.* We are informed by our last Letters from Poland, that the Heyducks continue to commit great Disorders on the Frontiers of Podolia, where they have lately plundered a Village belonging to the House of Lubomirsky, and used the Inhabitants extremely ill. They write from Moscow, that notwithstanding what has been so confidently asserted of her Imperial Majesty's Journey to Kiow, no Resolution is as yet taken thereupon, and 'tis even doubted whether it will take Place this Summer or not.

*Berlin, May 30.* The King is expected here To-day from Potzdam, and on Friday he sets out for Prussia, in order to review his Troops. His Majesty will be accompanied in this Journey by the Prince of Prussia, and Prince Ferdinand, his Brothers; as also by Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick, Prince Maurice of Anhalt-Dessau, General Baron Buddenbroek, and several other General Officers. Baron Minckwitz, Grand Master of the Waters and Forests in the Dutchy of Silesia, has obtained Leave to resign that Employment, in Favour of M. Redantz, who is to allow him a considerable yearly Pension out of the Profits thereof. We hear from Embden, that the Directors of our Asiatick Company have received Advice, that their Ship, named the Castle of Embden, sailed from St. Jago, one of the Cape de Verd Islands, on the 17th of November last, for China.

*Brussels, May 31.* We are assured, that the Conferences for settling the Barrier and Tariff will shortly be renewed. Prince Charles of Lorraine, our Governor General, who set out from hence lately for Vienna, is not expected back till the 15th or 20th of October next. The States of the County of Haynault have taken a Resolution to make a high Road from Mons to Chimay,

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