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Naples, Octob. 26.

**T**hough we had advice from several hands of the taking of St. Salvador by the *Messineses*, and that the Governor, and most of the *Spaniards* had been killed, yet we were here at Court unwilling to give credit thereunto, till we had an account thereof from the Viceroy of that Kingdom, which the Marquis *d'Asorgas* received two days since, who hath thereupon hastened the Levies that are making in this Kingdom, to be employed against the *Messineses*, and hath caused all Vessels that are at present here, as well as in other Ports of this Kingdom, to be stopt, for the Transportation of the said Soldiers, who will not, however, be so soon ready to embark, through the want here is of money. We are told, that the *Spanish Armada*, consisting in 20, or 22 men of War, is arrived at *Melazzo*, and that the Gallies of *Spain* are likewise suddenly expected there. It is added, that they intend to fortifie *Reggio* which lies on the side of *Calabria* over against *Messina*.

Rome, Octob. 30. The 20 instant, dyed here the Cardinal *Bona* in the 63 year of his age, his Body has been interred with the Solemnity usual on such occasions, in St. *Bernards* Church. The 22 the Duke *d'Estrees*, Ambassador Extraordinary from his most Christian Majesty, had a private Audience of the Pope. It is reported here, that some endeavors are used to procure a Cardinals Cap for Prince *William of Furstenbergh* now Prisoner at *Vienna*, by that means to free him from the danger that at present seems to threaten him. We have news here, that the *Spanish Armada* is arrived at *Melazzo*, though we have good reason to doubt it. Our last Letters from *Sicily* tell us, that the *Messineses* are hard at work about repairing the Fortifications of St. *Salvador*. and are adding some new ones for the greater strength of that Post which is of so great importance to them.

From the Camp at Desvillers near *Saverne*, Nov. 16. The *Confederate* Troops remain as yet in their quarters at *Gerpits* not far from *Strasburgh*, but have so great scarcity of Forage, that they are forced to pass the *Rhine*, and march several Leagues to fetch it. Some Prisoners we have lately taken, report, that the *Confederates* had sent out three parties to make Incurfions into the *upper Alsacia*. Our Commissaries have begun to distribute Hay amongst the Cavalry, who, by that means, are in a much better condition than they were before for want of it. Just now we receive advice, that the Village of *Gerpits*, by an accidental fire, hath been burnt down to the ground, and that greatest part of the Equipage of the Duke of *Bourbonville*, the Count *de Hollach*, and Marquis *de Bareith* hath been lost there. The eleventh instant, arrived here two Battalions of *French Guards*, and the Regiment of *Rambure*; part of the *French Troops* which came from *Flanders*, are at present near *Frenestranges*, where they expect the orders of Monsieur *de Turenne*. The Nobility of the *Arrierban*, who have repuffed the mountain of *Saverne*, have some days since

intrencht themselves, having orders to continue some time longer in *Lorraine*; the Count *de Sault* is gone hence to join them. Monsieur *de Turenne* has given directions for the working on the Fortifications of *Saverne* and *Haguenaw*, with all the diligence possible. The ninth instant, parted from hence the Mareschal *de Crequi*.

Treves, Novemb. 16. The Enemy having as we understand since the beginning of this month formed a design to besiege this place, they have in order to it, already possessed themselves of the several Posts which are about us, by that means to block us up. In the interim the *Imperialists* making in all about 9 or 10 000 men, under the command of General *Spork*, are marching this way; with them are to join 2000 *Spanish Horse*, commanded by Monsieur *de Louvigny*, and 3000 *Dutch Foot* by Major General *Fario*. The Elector of *Treves* has caused a Bridge to be made at *Wishic* for the passage of these Troops, and for the farther facilitating this design, has ordered fourteen great pieces of Cannon to be drawn out of the Arsenal at *Coblenis*, which, with great quantities of all sorts of Ammunition, are to be sent down the *Moselle*, to be employed in the siege of this place. Our Governor the Count *de Vignory*, in the meantime is preparing for a brave defence, having lately received a reinforcement of four Battalions of Foot, and some Horse.

Metz, Novemb. 19. Sixteen hundred Gentlemen of the *Arrierban* are at present quartered here, and in the adjacent places; and besides, the Mareschal *de Crequi* is forming a small Army, to oppose the designs of the *Confederates*, who, under the command of General *Spork*, are on their march towards *Treves*, with intention to besiege it: to which purpose, the fifteen Companies of Guards who some days since passed by this place in order to their going to join with Monsieur *de Turenne*, have orders to return hither again, to be commanded by Monsieur *de Crequi*.

Charleroy, Novemb. 18. The *Imperialists* in these parts, upon the instance of the Emperor, or rather of the Elector of *Treves*, having formed a design upon *Treves*, where they suppose the *French* Garrison to be but weak, and far from any assistance, have for several days past been on their march from their quarters in *Brabant*, through the Countrey of *Liege*, having passed the *Meuse*, at *Huy*, where they left a Garrison of 2000 men, though they could not obtain to have the Cattle yielded to them, which General *Spork* very much desired, and sent twice to summon the Governor, with threats that if he surrendered not the Castle within 24 hours, he should not expect any quarter, in case he made himself Master of it by force of Arms; but that not having any effect, it was at last agreed that the Castle should be Neutral, neither annoy the Troops in their passage over the *Meuse*, or be disturbed by them. It is said here that the *Imperialists* will march first to *Dinant*, to possess themselves (if possible) of the Castle there; they have likewise a design to put Garisons into *Simay* and *Rochefort*.

Charleville,