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*Constantinople, October 1.* On the 27th past we had one of the most dreadful Fires that has happen'd for many Years. It began at Twelve at Night, by the Water Side near the Seraglio, and burnt 34 Hours without Intermission, extending itself, by Means of a strong North East Wind, up the City towards the Mosques of Sancta Sophia and Sultan Achmet. All Efforts to stop its Fury were ineffectual. The Sultan on the 28th in the Evening abandon'd it to Providence to put an End to its Progress: The Porte, or Vizir's Palace, is burnt down; and most of the principal Ministers lost their Seraglio's. It has done immense Damage. What is the most affecting is, the Numbers of inferior People who have lost their whole Substance, without knowing which Way to turn for Subsistence. Its bad Effects will, we apprehend, be universally felt.

*Rome, Oct. 11.* On the 4th Instant, being the Emperor's Name-day, many Cardinals, Prelates, and Princes, who are Subjects and Feudatories of his Imperial Majesty, waited upon Cardinal Alexander Albani, to compliment him on that Occasion. On the 5th the Pope performed the Ceremony of making a

Daughter of the Great Constable Colonna & Nun. He was attended on this Occasion by his whole Court, with the greatest Pomp, having with him, in his State Coach, the Cardinals Millo and Argentyeillers: He went from the Quirinal to the Nunnery of Regina Coeli, where he was received by fifteen Cardinals; and, after having celebrated Mass in the Church, he entered into the Nunnery with the Cardinals, some Prelates, &c. and performed the Ceremony of investing the young Lady with the Habit of that Order; and afterwards admitted the Nuns to kiss his Foot. The next Day the new Nun presented Prince Lambertini, the Pope's Great Nephew, with a small Basket, in which was a Salad out of the Garden of her Convent; and, under it, six small Images richly embroidered, representing the Madonna, and a Knife, Fork, and Spoon, with a Cup and Saltfeller of Gold. The same Evening Cardinal Valenti returned to his Apartment at the Quirinal from Ronciglione. The Pope immediately, on his Return to the Palace from his Devotions, went to visit the Cardinal, and remained with him for some Time. On the 7th the Elector of Cologne, with three of his Gentlemen; having obtained an express Permission of the Pope, entered into the Nunnery of Regina Coeli, to make a Visit to the Constable Colonna's Daughter; and, on the 9th, his Electoral Highness set out for Albano, where he proposes to pass a few Weeks.

*Leipzig, Oct. 16.* Yesterday their Majesties, with the Princes Xavier and Charles, left this Place on their Return to Dresden. The Fair of this City is now ended, and 'tis generally thought did not answer so well to the Merchants as the Beginning of it seemed to promise. The King has caused an Edict to be published, setting forth, that as the Disputes with Prussia, on Account of Commerce, are like to be speedily adjusted, his Majesty thinks proper to abolish all new Taxes laid on Prussian Merchandize since the Commencement of those Disputes, and orders that, for the Future, those Taxes shall be reduced to their ancient Footing.

*Copenhagen, Oct. 17.* Last Night the King returned here from Jagersbourg, where his Majesty went last Monday to take the Diversion of Hunting. The two Men of War that carried the Presents from his Majesty to the Dey of Algiers, are returned from thence. And we are informed by their Officers, that when they left that Place, several new Ships were getting ready for a Cruise; but that, in general, the

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