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Whitehall, August 28, 1756.

A Letter signed E. F. and dated the 21st Instant, was put into the Earl of Holderness's Hands, by the Noble Lord to whom it was directed. The Contents of it have met with the most serious Attention; and the Continuance of that Gentleman's Correspondence is earnestly desired by the Earl of Holderness; to whom he will please for the Future to direct his Letters.

Constantinople, July 17. On Sunday the 4th Instant, at Ten of the Clock at Night, a Fire broke out in a Quarter of the Town called Jubalee, among some Jews, which continued burning until the 6th, at Ten in the Morning. From a small Beginning, perhaps for Want of proper Attention being given at the first, it extended itself, by the Rising of a high Wind, to several different Places at once, so as to prevent all Efforts to stop its Progress. Every one allows, that one third Part of the City is destroyed, and many make it near a Half. It is said that no such Fire has happened since the Reign of Sultan Amurath. It travers'd the largest Breadth of the Town, from one Side of the Water to the other, and stopt near the Wall of the City towards the Seven Towers. Five hundred Corn-Mills and Ovens were burnt, and the Publick Exchange, where the Arms were sold, with the old Chambers of the Janizaries: Several Mosques are damaged. The publick Scharbhec, or publick Magazines for all Kinds of Merchandize, were fortunately preserved. The Grand Seigneur distributed 16 Zequins to every Janizary burnt out, and the head Customer is ordered to rebuild the Apartments of the Janizaries. The Sultan obliged every Inhabitant, who had spare Houses or Rooms, to take in the Distress'd. The present Occupation of the Ministry is to re-establish the Corn-Mills, and secure Plenty. Strict Watch has been kept to preserve Order and Regularity. Since the Fire, there has been some Changes. On the 9th the Janizar Aga was removed from that Post to the Paschalyck of Cognia: The Cheaia has been also deposed, and succeeded by one Hussein Aga, of an old Family of this City, who has passed through several Employs. The Coul Cheaia, or Lieutenant General of the Janizaries, is made Aga. Other Changes were expected, but none have hitherto happened.

The late Cheaia is made Jester Emini, or Keeper of the Archives.

Turin, Aug. 11. M. Andrada, late Minister from the King of Portugal to the Court of Rome, passed through this City in his Way to the Hague; where he is going to reside with the same Character.

Venice, Aug. 13. This Republick has made Count Tartanea of Udine, lately in the Service of the Empress Queen of Hungary, Brigadier General and Super-Intendant of the Artillery. Ali Effendi, Envoy Extraordinary from the Bey of Tripoli to the Imperial Court, arrived here on Monday last with eighteen Persons in his Retinue; and proceeds for Vienna To-morrow by Way of Trieste.

Brussels, Aug. 24. Every Thing continues in the same Situation upon our Frontiers; and the Letters from France contain nothing remarkable this Day, but the Disputes between the French King and the Parliament of Paris, who have refused to register the King's three Declarations of the 16th. of July, for levying an additional Twentieth Penny, and some other new Impositions, as being too burthensome for the People; on which Occasion the King had taken the Resolution to hold a *Lit de Justice*, and ordered the Parliament to repair to Versailles for that Purpose on the 22d Instant.

Rotterdam, Aug. 24. The French have bought two Fishing Boats, which are exactly of the same Make as the Scheveling Boats. They sailed out of the Maese the 23d of this Month, and are intended to be fitted out as Privateers. These Vessels are likely to be very dangerous by their deceitful Appearance; two English Ships having been lately surprized by Dutch Fishing Boats with French Commissions.

Whitehall, August 23.

The King has been pleased to appoint Sir Mathew Lamb, Baronet, to be Custos Rotulorum for the Liberty of Peterborough in the County of Northampton, in the room of William Earl Fitzwilliam, deceased.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, Aug. 25, 1756.

The Court goes into Mourning on Sunday next, the 29th Instant, for the late Dutchess of Saxe Hildbourghausen, Sister to the King of Denmark, viz.

The Men to wear Black full trimmed with coloured Swords and Buckles.

The Ladies to wear black Silk or Velvet and black Ribbands.