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Naples, April 16.

**T**HE Spanish Armada is still here in Port, and hitherto there is not any appearance of their going out to Sea again. We have advice from *Messina*, that those Inhabitants begin again to be in great want of Provisions, insomuch that the ordinary sort of People grow disorderly and mutinous; and the same Letters add, that a Plot had been discovered, which had been formed, in order to the putting one of the Gates of the City into the hands of the Spaniards.

Milan, April 21. Our Governor the Prince of *Ligne*, has been very frequently indisposed since his coming hither, the Air, it seems, nor agreeing with him, which makes it thought he will not continue long in this Government. The new Levies in this Countrey are carried on with all imaginable diligence; and besides the two Regiments which have been already sent for *Sicily*, Commissions have been given out for another, of which the Count *de Ferrati* is to be Colonel. Several Troops are arrived in this Duchy, raised by order of our Governour in *Germany*.

Kochel, April 28. Here is arrived a Vessel from *St. Thomas* in the *East-Indies*, from whence she came the 24 of *September* last; the Master and Passengers advise, That not long before their departure, the *Sieur de la Haye* had, after two years siege, been obliged to surrender the place to the *Hollanders*, it being reduced to the last extremity for want of Provisions, and there being not the least hope of any Relief; That the *Sieur de la Haye* had, amongst other things, agreed with the *Dutch*, that they should furnish two ships for the Transportation of such *French* as desired to return to their Native Countrey, which were about 4 or 500, they paying for their Victuals; of which this ship that is arrived, is one, and the other is yet behind.

Rathbonne, April 28. The great matter at present before the Dyet, is, about declaring the Crown of *Sueden* Enemy of the Empire; for that its Forces have in a hostile manner entered the Territories of a Prince of the Empire, &c. which the Bishop of *Aichstadt*, the Emperors Commissioners, and the Deputies of some other Princes, press with great earnestness; and we may expect that the Dyet will now very suddenly come to some resolution or other in it. We do not yet particularly know what passed in the Conference General *Montecuculi* had with the Elector of *Bavaria*, now lately in his passage towards the Imperial Army; but this is certain, that his Electoral Highness continues resolved not to engage himself in any matter which may violate the Neutrality he at present has with his Most Christian Majesty.

Hamburg, May 4. From *Copenhagen* they write, That the King of *Denmark* seems very intent to have a Fleet of Men of War at Sea with all the speed possible, which some say is to consist of 40 Men of War, though it is feared there will be a want of Seamen to Man so many Men of war. The *Suedes* in *Pomerania* begin to move,

for that the *Brandenburg* Troops that were quartered in *Franconia*, are said to be on their march towards them. We are told, That some proposals have been made for the adjusting of matters, between the King of *Sueden*, and the Elector of *Brandenburg*; one of which on the part of the *Suedes*, is said to be, that his Electoral Highness shall withdraw his Forces from those of the other Confederates, except some Regiments which as Prince of the Empire he may send to the assistance of the Emperor &c. And that on the part of the Elector, it is demanded, that his Majesty of *Sueden* shall forthwith retire his Forces out of his Electoral Highnesses Territories, and make satisfaction for all the damages sustained by the Subjects of his Electoral Highness; &c.

Strasbourg, May 5. The French troops which were quartered in the upper *Alsatia*, between *Lorraine* and *Burgundy*, have orders to be the next week at the Rendezvous near *Brisac*; and those Troops that have Wintered in the Lower *Alsatia*, march towards *Saverne* and *Haguenaw* to expect farther orders there. It is said, That the Troops, which are to be drawn together in the Neighborhood of *Brisac*, and will, its thought, make up between 4 and 5000 Men, are to be lodged in the Our works of that place, for its greater strength and security; that a like body is to be lodged, and lodged in the Our-work of *Philippburg*; That the Marquis *de Rochefort* shall Command a flying Army apart, and that the Army Commanded by Monsieur *de Turonne* shall consist in 30000 Men effective, though we hardly believe the *French* have Troops enough in these parts to do all this. The 12 instant, Monsieur *de Turonne* is expected in *Alsatia*. Prince *Herman* of *Baden* has bought up a very considerable quantity of Corn here, which he causes to be transported to *Francfort*, whither he intends to depart himself the eighth instant.

Francfort, May 5. The Imperialists have at present their Head-quarters at *Reversbach* on the other side of the *Main*, the affair of *Mayence* having delayed their march, which being now effected, they will break up to morrow and take their way towards *Oppenheim*, in order to their passing the *Rhine* there. The Elector of *Mayence* hath received an Imperial Garrison of 1500 men, Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel *Heuter* into his Capital City, and the Cittadel there. And it is farther said, that his Electoral Highness will put the Town and Castle of *Bingen* into the hands of the Imperialists, by which means they will become sufficiently secured of the *Main* and the *Rhine*. The Imperial, *Lorraine*, and *Lunenburg* Troops, that were quartered in *Suabia*, are come as far as *Haidbron*, where General *Montecuculi* has put himself at the Head of them, and is marching with them towards the *Rhine*, to joyn with the Imperialists that passed the *Main* here.

Liege, May 7. The French demand the same Contributions of the Inhabitants of this Diocess, which they paid the Imperialists when quartered in it. The French continue to buy up here, and at *Aix la Chapelle*, all the Corn they can meet with. The Marshal *de Crequi* is returned again to *Charleroy*.

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