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Naples, April 16.

ON Thursday last arrived here a Bark from *Me-lazzo*, the general quarter of the *Spaniards* about *Messina*, by which, it is said, our Governor has received Letters from the Marquis of *Villa Franca* Viceroy of *Sicily*, wherein he gives his Excellency an account of the ill posture the affairs of the *Messineses* are in; that they begin to be weary of the *French* Government, and that the Duke de *Vivonne* had for that reason caused all the Inhabitants to be disarmed, &c. but while we please our selves with stories like these, we do not find that any great progress is made on the part of the *Spaniards* towards the reducing of that City. Two Famous *Banditi* of this Kingdom are lately come in upon promise of pardon, and we hope the like will be done by others; This Kingdom being still very much infested by that sort of people.

Vienna, April 28. The Emperor has accepted of the Mediation of the Republick of *Venice*, and hath ordered his Minister with that State, to acquaint the Senate therewith. Prince *William of Fustemberg* continues still a Prisoner at *Mensstadt*, with small appearance of obtaining his liberty till the conclusion of a general Peace. On Friday last, their Imperial Majesties parted from hence towards *Zell* in *Stria*, with intentions not to continue there above 10 or 12 days. We are told, That several persons of great interest in *Hungary*, who all along favored the Rebels, have now submitted themselves to his Majesty, and we hope others will follow their example; and that by that means a perfect peace and quiet may be established in those parts, which hath so long been wanting, to the great ruine of those Countries, and its Inhabitants.

Ratisbonne, May 2. The matter concerning the bringing on Foot the Forces of the several Circles, is now finally concluded; and it is expected that at the particular Dyets which will be now held in few days for the said Circles, the necessary orders will be given for the march of their respective Troops, which we are told, are to join with the Imperial Army commanded by General *Montecuculi*, in order to the besieging of *Philipsburg*; and that work done, the said Troops of the Circles will block up *Brisac*, while General *Montecuculi* passes with his Army farther in *Alsatia* towards *Lorraine*, but this is all but discourse.

Stetin, May 6. General *Wrangel* has appointed a General Rendezvous of the *Suedish* Forces in *Pomeran*, to be held the 11 instant at *Damme*, about four Leagues from hence, his Excellency intends to leave at *Stargard* a Garrison of 200 Men, besides the garrison which remain there. On Thursday next his Excellency will be here, part of his Baggage being already arrived.

Hamburg, May 6. The *Suedes* begin to move out of their Quarters in *Hinder Pomeran* and to morrow they are to Rendezvous at *Dam*; how they will afterwards dispose of themselves, we are yet to learn. Two days

since hapned a very sad accident not far from *Altenburg*, an ordinary passage Boat sinking on a sudden above 100 Passengers, were drowned. We are told, That our Magistrates have desired the *French* Minister that resides here, to leave this place; and that he is accordingly preparing for his return home.

Frankfort, May 5. The Imperial Army is now on its march again, consisting in about 5000 Horse and 10000 Foot, and seems to take its way towards *Hailbron*, in order to its conjunction with the General *Montecuculi*, and the Imperial Troops that come down that way from their quarters in *Suabia*. The Imperial Generals seem resolved to observe for the future a most exact discipline amongst their Soldiers, to prevent the complaints that were everywhere made of them the last Summer; which that they may do, we are told, that better care is now taken than was formerly, to furnish the Army with Provisions, and especially with Bread; and that the Commissaries are very careful in this matter. It is still said here, that the Imperialists, so soon as their whole Body is joined together, will go and Besiege *Philipsburg*, where the *French* have laid up great stores. The *Brandenburg* Troops remain as yet in their quarters in *Francia*.

Ditt, May 8. This evening arrived here the old Duke of *Lorraine*, and his Troops, which consist in 3000 Horse and 600 Dragoons, are at present in the Valley of *Amersbach*; to morrow they will pass the *Main* here, and take their way directly towards *Bonne*. The Imperial Army continues to march towards *Hailbron*, where, it is said, General *Montecuculi* is arrived, with the other Imperial Troops that come from *Suabia*.

Cologne, May 7. The Clergy of this Diocess have at last agreed with the *Sieur Fario*, though contrary to the commands of their Elector; and it is believed the Nobility will likewise follow their example, rather than expose their Estates to the Incursions of the *Dutch* Troops, who with their parties run as high as *Bon*; seizing on all they meet with in their way. From *Dresden*, where the Elector of *Saxony* has his Court, we have advice, That his Electoral Highness had issued the orders necessary for the march of 400 Horse and 400 Dragoons, to go and join with the Imperialists commanded by General *Cops* in *Silisia*, who were to be followed by two Regiments of Foot, his Electoral Highness being for his Quota to assist the Emperor with 3000 Men.

Brussels, May 11. His Excellency the Duke de *Villa Hermosa*, has commanded as many Troops as can well be spared out of the several Garrisons in these Countries, to repair hither, his Excellency intending to form a Body of them, either to join with the Prince of *Orange*, or to be otherwise employed, as there shall happen occasion. The *French* are drawing their Forces together on our Frontiers; and we understand, that part of those that were designed for the Prince of *Conde's* Army, are marching towards *Alsatia*, the *Imperialists* appearing much stronger, and sooner in the Field, than was expected. The Deputies that were here on the part of the

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Chapter of *Lige*, are returned, having so far satisfied his Excellency as to the matter of receiving the *French* into their Citadel, that he has (as is said) promised them to continue the Neutrality with them: The Count of *Egmont* has received his Commission from *Spain* to be General of the Foreign Cavalry employed in the service of these Countries. The News we have of the Elector of *Mayence* having declared for the Emperor; and received an Imperial Garrison into his City and Citadel of *Mayence* as likewise into his Town and Castle of *Bingen*, is very agreeable to this Court; for besides the advantage it will be to the Confederates to have two such considerable passages on the *Main* and the *Rhine*, it is hoped that the example of his Electoral Highness will be very prevalent with the other Princes of the Empire, who hitherto have desired to remain Neuters. We are informed that his Electoral Highness received the said Imperial Garrison amongst others, upon these three conditions, That the said Garrison should be wholly maintained at the charge of the Emperor, the Inhabitants being onely to furnish them Quarters; That the Soldiers should take an Oath of Fidelity to the Elector; And that the Emperor at his proper costs, should repair the Fortifications of *Mayence*.

Ditto, May 14. We have now advice, That his Most Christian Majesty is on his way towards these Countries, and that he has appointed his Forces to Rendezvous at three several places, viz. between *Peronne* and *Sr. Quentin*, between *Tourray* and *Aeth* at *Pont Pierre*, and between the *Sambre* and the *Meuse* towards *Charlemont*. We seem to expect here, that the *French* will in the first place besiege *Cambray*, though that City is provided with a Garrison of 4000 Men, and with all things esse necessary for the defence. We had some days since News, that a Body of *French* Forces were marched from *Charleroy* with several Cannon, upon some great design; but we since understand, that they went no farther than *Pbilitville*, where the *Mareschal de Crequi* at present is. A great Convoy is lately arrived at *Aeth* from *Tourray*, having been guarded by 4000 *French* Horse. His Excellency the Duke of *Villa Hermosa*, has given orders for the march of all the Cavalry out of the Provinces of *Limburg*, *Luxemburg*, *Artois*, *Hanault* and *Flanders*, with intention to lodge them in the Province of *Brabant*, that so they may be ready at hand to be drawn into a Body in case of occasion. On Monday or Tuesday next, parts hence for *England*, *Don Pedro de Ronquillos*, with the Character of Envoy Extraordinary from the King of *Spain*. We do not yet hear that the *Dutch* Troops are arrived at *Bergen-op-zoom*, the place appointed for their Rendezvous; though it is said, our Governor has by and Express, received Letters from the Prince of *Orange*, in which his Highness assures him, that he would come very speedily with his Army to the assistance of these Countries. On Saturday morning early, a party of *French* Horse came very near this City, and took 10 or 12 Prisoners, and so returned.

Hague, May 14. To morrow their Electoral Highnesses of *Brandenburgh* part hence for *Amsterdam*, from whence they will continue their journey towards *Cleves*; and the day following, his Highness the Prince of *Orange* purposes to leave this place, and to set forward towards *Bergen-op-zoom*. The States have at last given leave, That the *Suedish* Vessels taken by virtue of Commissions from the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, and brought up into several Ports of *Zealand* and *Holland*, shall be sold, or otherwise disposed of.

Ditto. After several Conferences held with the Ministers of *Denmark*; it was yesterday finally concluded,

(and accordingly an Instrument drawn up and signed) that the King of *Denmark* shall forthwith declare in favor of the Allies against the *Suedes*, That his Majesty shall Equip 16 Men of War, the Charges of which to be halt born by the King of *Spain* and this State; and that 9 Men of War shall be fitted out here at their common cost; who joining with the others, will compose a Fleet of 25 Men of War, to be employed in the *Baltique*: and that this Fleet shall be ready to go to Sea by the 5 of the next month: The Ministers of *Denmark* have farther assured the Allies, That instead of 16000 Men which the King their Master is obliged to bring on foot, he will have an Army of 40000 Men this Campaign. And we are told, That a solemn Declaration of War will in few days be made publick against the *Suedes* on the part of this State; and the other Allies.

Kinsale, April 20. Our Vice-Admiral Mr. *Southwell* hath been so zealous in the prosecution of Justice, touching the Murder of the Master and others of the Ship *St. Peter* of *Hamburgh*, of which we have already told you, that he hath seized and secured in the hands of responsible persons, about 6 or 700 l. worth of Goods; which were sold by the Pyrates and Malefactors; and he hath also taken an other of that barbarous Crew, who is sent to his four Companions, who lie in the Gaol at *Cork*: so that there is now onely wanting the Ringleader of that wicked Action, called *Peter Fox*, after whom great search hath been made all over this Province, and much enquiry over the whole Kingdom. And in order to his better discovery elsewhere, he is about 25 years old, of a smooth Face, a quick black Eye, slender Body, middle stature, short reddish Hair, (if without a Perriwig) very short fingers, and addicted to play at Dice where ever he comes.

Advertisements.

These are to give Notice, That the Grand Abridgment of the Common and Statute Law, by *William Sheppard*, Esq; will be finished the beginning of the next Term: And these are further to give Notice, that no Subscriptions for the same will be taken after the end of this present Easter Term.

The History of the most Renowned and Victorious Princess Elizabeth, late Queen of *England*; Written by *William Cambden*, *Clarences* King at Arms The third Edition, revised and compared with the Original, wheteby many gross faults are amended, several Periods before omitted are added in their due places, and the English Phrase much altered, with a new Alphabetical Index, Sold by *Charles Harper*, and *John Annes*, at the Flowerdeuce, and at the Peacock, both against *St. Dunstons* Church in *Fleetstreet*.

Rancis Be'o a *Frenchman*, who lately lived in an Ale-house in *Bowe-street* in *Covent-Garden*, at the sign of the *Blow Pot*, aged about 25, of a low stature, a little thick, short neck, his Face a little red, and marked with the small pox, his Eyes black, his Hair brown, wears a Perriwig hath stolen from his Master the Agent of *Genoa*, A Diamond Ring set with 22 stones, another Ring set about with 18 small Diamonds, two Silver Boxes, one filled with Civet, the other empty; Bands and Cuffs of *Genoa* Point, with some other things of less value. If any shall meet or find the person above described, he is desired to give Notice thereof to the Owner, the Agent of *Genoa*, who lives in *Bowe-street* in *Covent-Garden*, over against the sign of the *Cock*; and for his Reward, he shall have 5 l. sterl.

Stolen April 29. last past, at *Kymerton* near *Middlewich* in *Cheshire*, A Coal black Nag, 14 hands, with white in his Forehead like an Half Moon, the further Foot before his Hoof is cut for a Gravel. Whoever can give notice of him either to Mr. *Ralph Lowndes* in *Middlewich* aforesaid, or to Mr. *Samuel Lowndes* Stationer over against *Exeter* house in the *Strand*, on Monday, shall have 20 s. Reward.

Lost at *Grays* April 9. last past, from *Much Marke* in *Hertfordshire*, a bay Gelding 15 hands high, with a Star, and three white Feet, eight years old. Whoever can bring notice to Mr. *Watts* at *Marcs*, or Mr. *Osbury* at the the white Swan within *Bishops-gate*, shall have 20 s.