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Naples, April 30.

WE are here in great impatience, to know whether the Viceroy of *Sicily* executed his design, of making an Attack upon *Messina* the 21 instant, the day of the Election of their Jurats, and what success attended it. It is now not doubted but that there was a Conspiracy formed at *Messina* for the letting in the *Spaniards*; and many that were concerned in it, have suffered for it. Great misunderstandings are said to continue between the *French* and the *Messineses*. The Armada is fitting out again, but it will be the latter end of *June*, before it will be in a condition to go to Sea. The Prince of *Montesarchio*, who is to Command the said Armada, is arrived here; and the Marquess de *Bayonne*, late Viceroy of *Sicily*, and the Marquess del *Vito*, General of the *Spanish* Gallies, are brought Prisoners hither, in order to the framing their Process.

Genova, May 5. On Monday last, the Sieur *Garmont*, Envoy Extraordinary from his Most Christian Majesty, had Audience of the Senate, who the next day caused an Answer to be returned to what he had proposed; we do not yet know the particulars, but in general it is said, That the Senate hath resolved not to enter into any Engagements which may in any manner be prejudicial to the Friendship and good Correspondence they have at present with the Crown of *Spain*. By a Vessel arrived from *Messina*, we have advice, That the *French* begin to be very jealous of the *Messineses*, and especially since they have discovered several Plots which have been set on foot for the putting the place into the hands of the *Spaniards*, and that therefore the Duke de *Vivonne* is obliged to have a watchful eye upon them.

Ratibonne, May 9. The first instant, the Elector of *Bavaria* took a Review of his Troops, which made up about 6000 Men. Some have reported that his Electoral Highness would assist the Emperor with these Troops, pursuant to what had been agreed on between his Electoral Highness, and General *Montecuculi*; but this meets not with any credit. The Elector of *Mayence* having declared for the Emperor, because of the great Contributions which were demanded by the Garisons of *Philipsburg* and *Brisac* from his Bishoprick of *Spire*, and Archbishopruck of *Mayence*, on failure of which they proceeded to execution; the Duke of *Wirtemberg* hath followed the example, and likewise declared for the Emperor.

Perpignan, May 12. The sixth instant, the Duke of *Schembergh* parted from hence, to the general Rendezvous of his Troops, with which he decamped the 9, with resolution to enter into the Enemies Country; and, according to our last Advices, he was incamped at a place called *Gouillanc*. His Excellency had some thoughts of besieging *Bellegarde*, which the *Spaniards* took the last Summer; and to that end, went himself with a Body of Horse to observe the posture of the place, which he found much stronger than he had expected, the *Spaniards* having by several new Fortifications very much added to the strength of the place.

Hamburg, May 21. Colonel *Gortz*, who Commanded the Garison in *Lochenis*, finding himself no ways

able to defend the place against the *Suedes*, who were advanced so far with their Trenches, that they prepared for a general storm the night before the Surrender, Capitulated, and obtained these terms: To march out with Drums beating, Colours flying, &c. That the Soldiers might take with them all that belonged to them; That they should be furnished with 20 Wagons to carry their Goods, and should be Convoyed to *Oderburg*: and accordingly, the 16 instant, the said Garison marched out, consisting in 130 Men; since which, the *Suedes* have possessed themselves of *Newstadt*, and are, as is said, on their march directly towards *Berlin*, with intentions to besiege it, from which place they are at present not far.

Strasburgh, May 17. In our last, we told you, that the Imperial Infantry, which had their quarters about *Swartzwald*, were arrived under the Command of General *Vermuller*, not far from hence; and this day General *Montecuculi* is come very unexpectedly with the Cavalry that hath wintered likewise in those parts, to *Obirkirken*, about four Miles from hence; and we have advice, that the Imperial Forces which marched under the Prince of *Lorraine* towards *Hailbron*, are coming this way with all the speed imaginable; which hath so alarmed the *French*, that they have quitted several small places they held on the other side of the *Rhine*. Our Magistrates have sent three Deputies to Compliment the General *Montecuculi* on their part, and to offer him whatever this place affords.

Ditto. The Cavalry that came with General *Montecuculi*, and the Infantry of General *Vermuller* are this afternoon joined, making up together eight Regiments of Foot, and four of Horse, and have their Head-quarter at *Obirkirken*, where they will expect the arrival of the Imperial Army under the Prince of *Lorraine*; which, according to the report of the Count de *Caplieres*, who arrived this morning in General *Montecuculi*'s quarters from *Hailbron*, is on its march this way. The 600 *Suissers*, after having taken an Oath of Fidelity to this Town, are lodged in the Forts that secure our Bridge. The *French* Troops which were quartered in *Lorraine*, and the *Franche Comte*, and drew together about *St. Diey* and *Markirch*, march night and day towards *Rusfach* in the *Upper Alsacia*, between which place and *Schlestadt*, is appointed the general Rendezvous of Monsieur de *Turenne*'s Army, where his Excellency will to morrow or next day be in person. The *French* have put a strong Garison into *Haguenaw*.

Cologne, May 21. The old Duke of *Lorraine* hath been expected here for several days past, but as yet we do not hear that he has passed the *Rhine* with his Forces; which perhaps may be, for that he first expects the Conjunction of the *Luneburgh* Troops, who are on their march from *Suabia*, where they had their Winter-quarters towards the *Rhine*. Our Letters from *Strasburg* give us an account, that the Count de *Montecuculi* was arrived with the Imperial Troops that were Commanded the last Campagne by the Duke of *Boutnonville*, in the Neighborhood of that City, where he expects the other Imperial Forces that wintered in these parts, which being joined with him, he will have an Army of near

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36000 Men; That with this Army, his Excellency intended to pass the Rhine at *Strasburg*, and so enter into *Alsatia*; out of which Countrey he would endeavor to remove the *French*, and then pass into *Lorraine*. On the other side, the *French* Army was to Rendezvous the 20 instant, between *Colmar* and *Schlestadt*, so that we may now every day expect to hear of some considerable Action. The *French* continue to buy up great quantities of Corn, in all these parts; for the use of their Armies; of which, Complaint having been made to our Magistrates, by the *Imperialists*, they have straightly prohibited the Exportation of any from hence. The *French* of *Maestricht*, have again summoned the Inhabitants of this Dioceses to bring in their Contributions.

Charleville, May 21. The 16 instant, the Marquis de *Rocheport*, Lieutenant-General of the Most Christian Kings Armies, parted hence for *Philipville*. The day before, the Marquess de *Gentis*, the Count de *la Marque*, the Count *du Plessis*, and the Marquess de *la Cardonniere*, all Mareschals de Camp, arrived here, to serve in the Army commanded by the Mareschal de *Crequi*. The Troops which compose it; having been encamped three days between this place and *Mexieres*, begun to march the 17, and the next day passed the *Meuse* here, consisting in six Regiments of Foot, formed into eight Battalions, 800 Men in each Battalion, and 45 squadrons of Horse, and took their way towards *Spansart*, leaving *Bouillon* on their right; the 19, they approached *Charlemont*, and the Marquess de *Rocheport* did the like with a separate Body on this side the *Meuse*, so that it was thought they had a design upon that place. But we just now receive advice, That the Mareschal de *Crequi* has cauled *Dinant* to be invested; and that the Count de *Choiseul*, is marched with 500 Horse into *Luxemburg*, to alarm the *Spaniards* on that side.

Brussels, May 22. The *French* Army is at present not far from *Mons*, but they seem not to have any design upon that place. Yesterday arrived here the Count of *Waldeck*, and after having had a Conference with his Excellency, parted again for *Duffel*, about two Miles beyond *Malines*, where lies part of the Prince of *Oranges* Army; his Highness will be here to morrow, or the day following at farthest. His Excellency the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* prepares to go into the Field, to Command his Forces in person, and hath invited most of the Gentry of these Countreys to accompany him. The Mareschal de *Crequi* has, we hear, besieged *Dinant*, where the *Imperialists* have had their Winter-quarters.

Hague, May 24. There are Letters from his Highness the Prince of *Orange*, which give an account of his arrival, on the 21 instant, at *Rosendal*, from whence he intended to pass to *Brussels*, to confer with the Duke de *Villa Hermosa*, Governor of the *Spanish Netherlands*. In the mean time our Troops arrive at the place of Rendezvous, and we now in a day or two expect to hear of their being on their march. We cannot yet know the design of the Enemy; but most people apprehend, they will besiege *Namur*; and the rather, for that the Mareschal de *Crequi* is already before *Dinant*; and in such case, we are assured his Highness is resolved to raise the Siege, whatever it cost him. This State fits out onely nine Men of War to join with the *Danes*, and of those, *Amsterdam* provides four; the Admiralty there, hath already given out the Commissions to the Captains that are to command them. This day the States of *Holland* are assembled, the chief end of their coming together, is to raise Monies for the defraying the Charges of the Campaign. The 22 instant, the Elector of *Brandenburg* parted from *Cleves*, taking his way towards his Forces quartered in *Franconia*; and at the same time her Ele-

ctoral Highness went to *Bylevelt*, where she purposes to Lie in. We have several Reports here of the Bishop of *Munsters* having quitted the party of the *Confederates*, and made an Agreement with the Most Christian King; which does not a little surprize us, though we are as yet willing to doubt the truth thereof.

Paris, May 25. The 15 instant, as we have already told you, his Most Christian Majesty encamped at *Chasteau-Cambresis* belonging to the *Spaniards*, having the day before joined most of the Troops that compose his Army at *Castelet*; the 16 and 17, his Majesty continued at *Chasteau-Cambresis*; the 18, his Majesty marched to *Soulesche*, about a League beyond *Quefroy*; the 19, encamped at *Potel*. The 21, his Majesty came to *Fainieres*, and from thence went and encamped at *Geury*, a very advantageous Post upon the River *Trouille*, not far from *Mons*; from whence his Majesty went out with a Body of Horse towards *Mons*, to observe the posture of the Enemy. From *Maestricht* they write, that the 19 instant, the Mareschal de *Crequi* invested *Dinant* on the *Meuse*. Our Letters from *Alsatia* tell us, That our Troops march from all sides towards the General Rendezvous, which was appointed to be the 21 instant in the plain of *Colmar*; that General *Monecutti* was arrived with part of the Imperial Army in the Neighborhood of *Strasburg*; and that the other Troops commanded by the Prince of *Lorraine*, likewise march that way. It is reported here, as if the Bishop of *Munster* had made an Accord with his Most Christian Majesty, of which we expect to hear farther. Our Letters from *Italy*, speak of great Conspiracies that have been discovered at *Messina*; the design of which, was to let in the *Spaniards*, and to destroy all the *French* there; that on this account, several persons had been put to death: and it is added, that the Duke de *Vivonne* had commanded all the Jesuites to leave the place, they being suspected of having had a hand in these Conspiracies.

Whitehall, May 18. On Thursday last, arrived at *Greenwich*, his Highness the Prince of *Newburgh* in one of His Majesties Yachts, which was appointed to Transport him from *Calais*; from thence, his Highness immediately came to Town incognito, with a Train of about 50 persons, amongst which were several persons of Quality. The 15 instant, his Highness was at Court, to salute their Majesties, and afterwards their Royal Highnesses, by whom he was received with very particular demonstrations of kindness and esteem, for the sake of the Duke his Father.

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