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Legorn, May 13.

THE last Week arrived here from Genoua the Sieur Gaumont, Envoy Extraordinary from the Most Christian King to the Princes of Italy, and is since gone for Florence. By a vessel come in here, we have advice of the death of the Bassa of Tripoli; and by other Vessels arrived from Sicily we receive an account of the great preparations that the Spaniards are making to attack Messina by Land having to that end formed a Camp not far from the City, and taken the most advantageous Posts about it. The contrary winds have very much retarded the French Gallies and Men of War, that are with a great number of other Vessels laden with Soldiers and Provisions on their way to Messina, though we must now expect to hear very suddenly of their arrival at Messina, which will certainly be most welcome to those Inhabitants.

Copenhagen, May 18. They work here with all the diligence possible, for the fitting out the Men of War intended for the Sea this Summer; and it is not doubted, but they will be very suddenly ready to sail, if not hindered through the want of Seamen, which all endeavors are used to procure. We are informed that several new Regiments of Horse are to be raised, and though the Swedish Ambassador be still here, and hath daily Conferences with the Ministers of this Court, about confirming the Peace between the two Crowns, yet matters look as if War was more thought on than Peace. Upon the news of the Swedes being on their march towards the Elbe, to join, as is said, with the Troops of the Duke of Hannover, his Majesty has sent orders to several Regiments of Horse and Foot to march, and to go and join with those Forces that are quartered in the Borders of Holstein, for the better security of things on that side; by which it appears, that there is no great confidence between the two Crowns.

Strasbourg, May 27. On Friday last, as hath been said, General Montecuculi parted from our Neighborhood, having left the Regiment of Reys, and part of the Regiment of Spork near Keil, to which our Magistrates have joined 100 Men for the guard of our Bridge on that side of the Rhine, while the Swissers are in the Fort which secures it on this side. Yesterday morning the Troops of the Circles which were quartered at Keil parted from thence, and towards evening the Marquis of Baden Dourlach their General left this place, in order to the putting himself at the Head of the Troops of the Circles which are now on their march towards the Rhine, to assist at the Siege of Philipsburg in order whereunto, Prince Pio is already passed the Rhine with 5000 Men, and hath invested the place. On Sunday last General Montecuculi was quartered at Rastat, from whence he intended to go and join the Imperial Army that comes down from Haibrion, under the Command of General Spork, and the Prince of Lorraine; which done, he will with his whole Army pass the Rhine, over a Bridge which is now preparing for that purpose between Spire and Philipsburg; it is said here, that General Montecuculi will be strong enough in case Monsieur de Turenne, intend to relieve Philipsburg, to fight him, and continue the Siege at the same time, Mon-

sieur de Turenne marches this day from Bensfeld towards Dahnstein, from whence it is believed he will continue to march towards Philipsburg, to hinder the design of the Imperialists, so that we may suddenly expect to hear of some Action between them.

Gluckstadt, May 30. The King of Denmark has appointed a Rendezvous of his Forces at Flensburg, whither accordingly will repair the Kings own Regiment, consisting in 1200 Men, the Queens Regiment in 1200, the Sieur Van Ostens Regiment in 2500, Major General Chacks Regiment in 2500, Arendorfs Regiment in 2500, Citnaus Regiment in 2000, Wiemanns Regiment in 2000, the Generals Regiment in 1200, Weyers Regiment 1200 Bremers Regiment 1200, Rosenkrans Regiment 1200, Liekens Regiment 1200, Degenfeldts Regiment 1200, Storbäckers Regiment 1000, Colonel Veiters Barailien 600, in all 22700 Men, besides the Troops his Majesty has in the County of Detmenhorst, and in Norway, which are said to be likewise sent for.

Frankfort, May 30. The Confederates seem in good earnest to intend the Siege of Philipsburg; the 25, and the 26 instant, Prince Pio, who, we told you in our last, was Commanded out with 3000 Men from the Imperial Army, under the Command of General Spork, and the Prince of Lorraine, and had joined 2000 Men of the Circle of Franconia, passed the Rhine, by the means of Pontons, and have posted themselves above and below Philipsburg about half a Mile from the place. The 27, the Elector Palatine arrived at Spire, and hath lodged 1000 Men in the Suburbs of that City, and at present they are making a Bridge over the Rhine between Spire and Philipsburg over against Lofheim, for the whole Imperial Army to pass, which had yesterday its Head-quarter at Langenburg, General Montecuculi having the day before joined it there with the Forces he brought from Strasburgh. The Lunenburg Troops will have this day their quarters in the Neighborhood of Fridburg, an Imperial City about six Miles from hence, the Duke of Lunenburg arrived with them the 27, being come Post, upon an account of some disorders, that happened among them, which his presence appeased. The Regiments of Gallus, Harrant and Trausmandorf have this day passed the Main here, to go and join the Imperial Army. The Bishop of Wurzburg, who is likewise Duke of Franconia, being lately dead, the Bishop of Bamberg hath been elected by the Chapter to succeed him. The Elector of Mayence is very ill. The Imperialists are endeavouring to turn a small River which conveys fresh Water out of the Rhine into Philipsburg.

Cologne, May 31. We have not yet any advice of the Lorraine Troops having passed the Rhine, though it is said, that they will be this evening in our Neighborhood, and that the Duke of Lorraine will be here in person. The Sieur Fario, who hath labored for several Months past his quarters in this Diocesis, is now preparing to leave them. The Letters from Westphalia tell us, That the 27 instant, the Elector of Brandenburg parted from Paderborne, after having conferred with the Bishop of that name, for Cassel, in order to his joining his Army, which is on its march. Our Advices from above say, that Philipsburg is invested by the Imperialists.

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