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The Prince of Castellicala has communicated two Despatches from the Duke de Serre Capriola, dated the 26<sup>th</sup> of February, and the 3<sup>d</sup> of March, from Petersburgh, stating that the Emperor had ordered the March of his Troops towards the frontiers immediately on learning the advance of the French Armies into Comarania via Saxony, evidently for the purpose of surrounding Poppo: He states that the last advices from Wallachia give increased hopes of a peace with Turkey, & that the Emperor has sent a Courier to Stockholm with an offer to be forwarded to Denmark - that Norway should be ceded to Sweden, & Denmark accept an Indemnity in Germany; in which 30000 Russians, with an equal number of Swedes - & of Danes were to attack the French from Holstein - If this were to be refused - the Emperor offers to assist Sweden in taking possession of Norway by force. Thebes

The house of Buonaparte had arrived at Dresden & Leipzig. Napoleon, Andriotti, Davoust & Jerome are to command under him. His Arch Duke Joseph Louis to accompany him to Erfurt, & thence to proceed to Vienna, whilst B. Peter's head quarters would be at Dresden.

The Duke repeats the anecdote already communicated of the Emperor Alexander's approval of Lauriston on the march of his Regiments.

All the Russian naval forces are ordered to be put in a state of equipment.

The return of the last courier so anxiously expected from Stockholm, as the signal of the alliance between the two crowns: & Sweden has sent a courier to Constantinople with the offer of a mediation with Turkey. —

The Duke says (in his dispatch of the 3<sup>d</sup> of March) The development of this crisis approaches but we cannot consider the war as certain, until hostilities have begun on both sides. —