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Lisbon, Nov. 10.

THe 7th instant arrived here the Exeter Merchant from Newfoundland, the Master reports, that about 20 Leagues to the Westward of this Port he met with two Men of War of Sally, the one mounted with 16 and the other with 8 Guns, from whom after some civilities he parted, the Cooks telling him that there was a Peace concluded between the Governor of Tangier and the Governon of Salty on the part of his Majesty of Great Britain and the Emperor of Morocco. The Master adds, that he afterwards met with an Argiers Man of War, who upon producing his Pass civilly dismiss him to prosecute his Voyage, the Turks telling the Master that there were at present 30 sail of Algerins abroad, and that most of them were cruising upon these Coasts. Our Brazile Fleet is now daily expected and with it a Galeon of 2400 Tuns from the East Indies.

Madrid Decemb. 21. Upon the advice the Letters from Vicanna brought of the Emperors having declared his marriage with the Princess of Neuburg, their Majesties and the whole Court pur off the Mourning which they had taken for the Archducheis of Inspracke. All business of moment is now dispatched by the chief Minister the Marquis de Villa Siera; who however meets with some opposition in his administration of affairs from the Grandets and other persons of Quality, who are contrary to him. Don Pedro d' Alfarq is removed from the Presidentship of the Finances, and made of the Camera de castilla, and Don Lopes de los Rios, who after having been President of that Council seven years, quitted it in November 1673. is made President a second time, and we are told, that the King by his advice has reformed several Officers belonging to the Tribunal; and the like it is said, will be done to several other Councils, that so, by taking off a great number of Salaries to Officers, which are not useful, the publick Revenues may be the better able to defray the charges of the War. This Court is not a little pleased at the news of the arrival of the New Spain Fleet at Cadix, having brought a very seasonable as well as considerable supply to the Kings Coffers. We are told that the Agent of the States General at Argiers has used great endeavors to persuade that Government to make a Treaty of Peace with his Masters, but hitherto without any success, Don Francisco de Ayala one of the Kings Cavalierizas (who was some time since Envoy of this Crown in France) was killed the other day by a shot from a Window over against his own, where the Murderer had waited his opportunity some days, and having executed his design escaped. It is said that the cause of this unfortunate Gentleman's death, was his having made Courtship to a Lady of quality.

Riga, Nay, 15. We seem now pretty well secured on the side of the Moscovites, the Suedish Minister at Moscow having, as they write from thence obtained a declaration of the Czar that he will exactly maintain the peace and good correspondence between the two

Crowns, and that he will not directly or indirectly do anything to the prejudice of our King, and hereupon he hath been resolved to send in the Spring great part of the Fortes that are at present in this Countrey to Sweden and Pomeren. Here has been a report since the News arrived of the Peace concluded between the Poles and the Turks, that the former would enter into a War against the Moscovites, to recover Kiowas, a place of great importance, which antiently belonged to the Crown of Poland, and according to the last Treaty between the Moscovites and the Poles ought to have been restored to the latter some years since; which obligation the Moscovites on several pretences have not hitherto complied with, and as is thought will not, unless obliged thereto; but of this report we cannot learn there is any ground, farther than that it is not to be doubted but the King of Poland will endeavor to regain that place to the Crown.

Warsaw, Nov. 20. Their Majesties and the whole Court continue at Zolkiew, but are expected here about the beginning of the next month. We are assured that the assembling of the Diet is put off till the 21 of January. From Leopoi they write that the Troops of the Crown are all gone into their Winter-quarters, and that those of the Duchy of Lithuania are marched home. The Turks are quite retired, and his Majesty is sending an Envoy to the Port to bring back the Ratification of the Treaty of Peace lately concluded.

Naples, Nov. 22. The Regiments of Foot lately commanded by the Dukes of Cambrano and de Martina are reformed, as being too weak, and the Soldiers are incorporated into another Regiment, which is given to Don Mario Caraffa, Brother of the Duke of Metalone. Several Gentlemen and others have been lately executed at Catania, being accused of having had intelligence with the French, which notwithstanding, the number of those that are affected by the French grow very considerable, and they being well informed of the posture of things, are assembling their Troops on that side, in order as is believed to form an enterprize upon Catania. By a Felucca arrived from Palermo we are told that there was arrested a Priest, who served for Chaplain on board one of the Spanish Gallies, for having endeavoured to withdraw the Officers from their duty and to persuade them to set fire to the Spanish Gallies and Men of War that were in the Port of Palermo. Our Viceroy the Marquis de los Velez uses all possible diligence to send considerable supplies of Men and Money to the Viceroy of Sicily.

Genova, Decemb. 1. From Sicily we have advice that the French have demolished the Scatena. That Catania is not very well affected to the Spaniards, and that consequently the taking of the place will be the more easie to the French, if they attempt it. The Marquis de Castell Rodrigo the Viceroy of Sicily is come to Palermo, and endeavors to compose matters, which are in some disorder there, although the divisions among the Inhabitants of the Town and Swiss Faigts are arrived here; the Ronadventure, Rainbow, and Lyon, bound to the Westward, are ready to sail. Two thousand

land Foot and nine hundred Horse is raising by the Governor of Milan for the service of Sicily.

Strasburg, Nov. 30. The Count Coningsmark General of the Swedish Forces in this Country having advice that the Elector of Brandenburg had put his Troops into Winter-quarters on the Elbe and in the Duchy of Bremen, except two Regiments of Horse and one of Foot which remained in the Neighborhood of Demmin, he parted hence the 18 instant with a 1000 Horse, drawn out of the Isle of Rugen, and 400 Foot of this Garrison, and advanced by Demgarden into Mecklenburg; upon the advance of our Troops the Enemy retired, and gave the Count Coningsmark liberty to lay a Bridge over the River Reckenitz, which he caused Major-General Greshaus to pass with 400 Foot, with orders to possess himself of Ribenitz, a small place in the Duchy of Mecklenburg, situate about a quarter of a League from Demgarden, the Garrison that was in Ribenitz, consisting in 150 men, not finding themselves able to make good the Post abandoned it, and the Swedes made themselves Masters of it without the least resistance. The Officer that commanded in Trippae upon the advance of our Troops likewise quitted it, and retired; and the Count of Coningsmark being possessed of these two Posts, which he hath since caused to be demolished, ordered notice to be given to the principal Inhabitants of the Duchy of Mecklenburg, that they should repair to Trippenitz to agree their Contributions, which they accordingly did, and agreed to pay 6000 Crowns per month. This done his Excellency returned hither again the 24.

Bremen, Decemb. 4. The Ministers of the Emperor, the King of Denmark, the Elector of Brandenburg, the Dukes of Lunenburg, and Bishop of Munster, have for some time past been assembled here, for the final adjusting the partition of this Duchy, conquered by the said Allies upon the Swedes, but hitherto their Conferences have produced little effect, inasmuch that it is believed the said Ministers will return to their respective homes, leaving this Negotiation to a more favourable opportunity. In East-Friesland there still continues some misunderstanding between the Prince's Regent and the States of that Country, in which matter the States General of the United Provinces have we hear concerned themselves, that Country being under their protection.

Lubeck, Decemb. 9. The winter season begins to hurry up the passage between this Place and Sweden, so that we must not for the future expect any news from thence but what we receive by the way of Denmark, which will not be much seeing the ordinary passage of Letters is interrupted. Our last Letters from Copenhagen told us, that the Armies continued still in the Field, where they suffered extremely, and that the Duke of Holstein-Plauen had absolutely quitted that Kings Service.

Charteroy, Decemb. 14. The Conferences which were held as before between the French and Spanish Deputies for the settling the Contributions are ended without any fruit, of which the Governor of the Spanish Netherlands has as we hear sent advice so all places, that the Inhabitants may be upon their guards. The French Troops do extremely harass the Cities of Cambray and Valenciennes, nothing entering into those places but with great difficulty and hazard. The Spaniards it seems stop all the Boats which are designed to pass, being very much dissatisfied with those Inhabitants for their partiality to the French. The Emperor has demanded Winter-quarters, in the Diocess of Liege for the Spanish Troops. The Count de Kinski the Imperial

Ambassador after having made some stay at Cologne arrived two or three days since at Cleves, from whence he went incognito to Nimeguen, and afterwards returned again to Cleves; where it is thought he will remain till his house at Nimeguen be fit to receive him.

Charleville, Decemb. 15. The Sieur de Reveillon Governor of this place, having received advice that the Governors of Namur and Charlemont, had assembled some Troops, with design to have come and burnt several Villages on this side the Meuse, which did not pay Contribution to them; he sent likewise a considerable party to Brany, which is a pretty large Village, and most exposed to the Enemy, whose design was by that means prevented. The Sieur de Pauban Ingeneer is arrived here, in order to the raising several new Fortifications for the strength of this place. The Marechal Crevin is at present at Nancy, having disparted his Troops into their Winter-quarters.

Paris, Decemb. 29. The Officers of the Troops of the Kings Household begin to make preparations as if they expected orders to march about the latter end of January or the beginning of February, of which however there is not as yet any certainty that we can bear of. We have an account from Marseilles of the arrival thereof ten of our Gallies from Africa, which City by means of the several Posts lately taken by the Duke de Vivonne, will be now able to subsist without being supplied with Provisions from this Kingdom. On Tuesday last his Excellency Mr Mountague Ambassador Extraordinary of His Majesty of Great Britain had his first public Audience of the King, to which he was conducted with the usual ceremony. The 19 instant the Sieur Meyer Envoy Extraordinary of the Elector of Bavaria had likewise audience of his Majesty, as had next day the Pope's Nuncio.

Whitehall, Dec. 23. We are wanting two Mails from Holland and as many from Flanders.

Advertisements.

The Statutes at Large in Paragrafts,

from Magna Charta until this Time, Carefully Examined by the Rolls of Parliament; With the Titles of such Statutes as are Expired, Repealed, Altered, or out of Use, Together with the Heads of Petitions or Requests and Privileges in the Margin, and the Addition of above Five hundred New Statutes from other Books of Law: And a NEW TABLE. By Joseph Kite of Grayes-Inn Esq; Printed by the Assigns of His Majesty's Printers, and the Assigns of Richard Atkins, and Edward Atkins Esquires, And are to be sold by most Booksellers.

The Orphan's Legacy: OR, A Testimonious Abridgement. In three Parts. I. Of Last Wills and Testaments. II. Of Executors and Administrators. III. Of Legacies and Devises. By JOHN GODOLPHUS ESQ. D. Sold by Christopher Wilkinson at the Black-Boy over against St Dunstons Church in Fleet-street.

WHosoever Merchants or other Persons that have occasion for a considerable quantity of Canary Bird Seeds, they may be furnished with very good, also with great or small quantities of all sorts of Garden Seeds, by William Tard Seedman at the Red-Cross and Golden-Lyon in South-Lane near Cheap-side, London, the ancient place for Garden Seeds.

WHosoever James Whittle hath furnished divers Countries with Drums, and several Gentlemen have been desirous to have of the same, but not knowing where to find the Maker of them, This is to give Notice, That the said James Whittle lives at the Sign of the Drum and Colours in Horn-street, and is ready to supply any that have occasion for Drums, or any thing belonging thereto at a reasonable rate.

Solan on Saturday night the 9th of December, from Samuel Bidford of Beving in the County of Bedford Esq; one black Oxling, near fifteen hand, five years old, a star in his forehead, a salp on his hind, two white feet behind, a chop in each of them, about which with some white hairs in it. If any person brings news of him to Mr Bidford or to Mr. Tions a Book-keeper in Fleet-street, I shall have 40 s. reward.