

Princess, after them 26 Sleds more, with the principal Ladies of the Court, all of them waited on by the great Lords, Counsellors, and Cavaliers of the Court; the rest of the Sleds filled with Cavaliers, and other persons of quality without Ladies, it not being the custom for other Ladies to mix with those of the Court: all these being attended with great numbers of Pages and Lacqueys, in great varieties and rich Liveries.

This ended, they were entertained in the *Ritter-stub*, with a Ball led by the Emperor and Empress; followed by the *Marquises de Culmbach* and *Durlach*, with the two Imperial Princesses, and afterwards by the great persons of the Court; the Evening concluded with a magnificent Collation of all sorts of *Italian* confections.

Our late Letters from *Persia* assure us, that the Turks since their Victory over the *Persians*, are marched far into their Country, but the King of *Persia* has already drawn together a very numerous Army, with resolution to give them battail.

The Dispute between the Spanish Ambassador, and the Count de *Kevenhuller*, is composed, the Count having made him the first visit, which was as friendly returned, and both parties sufficiently satisfied; the Count protesting, he knew not the Gentleman whom he struck, to be a servant to the Ambassador, and the Ambassador disowning the encouragement of his servant to invade him; but what they did, was purely out of their own inclinations to revenge an injury which they thought was done to one of their family.

*Dresden*, Jan. 8. We are every day expecting here the return of the Prince Elector, with his lately espoused Princess from *Denmark*: we have frequent intelligence of a new and great alliance, which will shortly be treated on at *Heldesheim*, where this Circle, with that of lower *Saxony* and several others, with the Ambassadors of *France* and *Sweden* are to assemble.

*Genoa*, Jan. 12. We are here informed, that four French Men of War, with *Malta* Colours, are plying upon the Seas in search after prizes.

Twelve Companies of *Italian* Foot raised in the Dutchy of *Milan*, are imbarqued at *Finale*, and gone for *Spain*, and were at their Muster found to be 700 men. 'Tis believed, that they will be transported for *Flanders*, if their Wars with *Portugal* oblige them not, to employ them in that service. The New Levies go on vigorously at *Milan*, and they proceed as effectually in the strengthening and reinforcing of all their Garrisons, especially on the Frontiers. The Governor *Don Louis Ponz de Leon*, has been lately ill, but is again recovered.

The Vice-Chancellor and Heads of Houses of the University of *Cambridge* have agreed, That the Schollars may now return to their Respective Colledges; and that those who are to Commence Bachelors of Arts, shall begin their sitting in the Publick Schools the Fourth of February next.

*Stratsbourg*, Jan. 14. We are assured from the Court of *France*, that that King still continues his Resolution to send forces into *Alsatia*; but the principal reason of it (as is given out) is to put a Garrison into the City of *Colmar*, which not only that City, but most of the others of *Alsatia* will be inclined to oppose; which we fear will occasion greater disputes. We are also informed that the King has given Commissions to Monsieur *Tellier* for the raising of 20. Regiments, 10. of which are to be employed with the 8. Regiments already designed for *Alsatia*. Advice of these intentions has been sent by the interested Cities, to the Diet at *Ratisbone*, as also to his Imperial Majesty, with their desires the Emperour and States of the Empire will take such care of them, that the Treaty at *Munster* may not be broken to their prejudice.

*Neccars Ulme*, Jan. 14. Yesterday our Deputies at *Heylrun*, gave in their last Reply, and in fifteen days time the final Answer of his Highness the Elector *Palatine*, will be likewise given in; upon which, the Ambassadors from the two Kings, will soon give their Compromissorial Sentence, which we hope will settle these Countreys in a durable Peace, if the forces threatned to be sent into *Alsatia* do not disturb us. The great expectations of the Alliance endeavored at *Hylde-*

*sheim*, is not like in probability to take the effect that was proposed, several of the Deputies being already gone home.

*Venice*, Jan. 14. The Fleet under the command of his Excellency *Morosini* continues still at an Anchor, in the Haven at *Malamoco*, where they are confined by tempestuous weather, and contrary winds, in the mean time the Council has thought fit to consign him other great sums of money, besides those formerly granted, to be expended in the service of this Republicque, for the more vigorous defence of the Island and City of *Candia*: Many excellent Gunners that have been sent for from *Terra Firma*, have received advance, and are sent aboard the Fleet.

We have not lately received any advice from the *Levante*, yet are not without fears, that the Turks lately arrived at *Canea*, have already began to discover their designs, by making their incurious towards *Candia*.

The 12 instant the Senate went to scrutiny, in order to the Election of a new Ambassador to be sent to the Emperours Court at *Vienna*, in the place of Signior *Cornaro*, who having continued there the time prefixed him by the Senate, is speedily to return to other employment. The Senate have not yet made their new Election, but 'tis believed will proceed to it the next meeting.

*Don Gasparo di Thebes* Ambassador from the Court of *Spain*, is not yet arrived as was expected, though its some time since that he left *Milan*, and is intended hither.

All things continue quiet in *Dalmatia*, and the *Corsyres* having quitted the Seas, confine themselves to their Harbors, to the great security of the Merchants; yet we are not without apprehension, that the *Turk* intends this Spring to cut our work for us in those parts, as well as in *Candia*.

*Paris*, Jan. 21. The Marquess de *St. Aignan*, who is to marry with the second Daughter of Monsieur *Colbert*, has given up to the Duke de *Chaucroise* his Regiment of *Auvergne*, which latter is on Sunday next to be married to the eldest Daughter.

Monsieur de *Bartillac* having lately taken an account of his Majesties Exchequer for the last year, has found the Receipts to have amounted to the sum of 79 Millions, and the Expences to 70 Millions; of which, 22. disbursed for the maintenance and payment of several of his Majesties Forces, not accounting those of the Kings Household, the rest for reimbursements, and the expences in his Artillery, Fleet, and Buildings, &c.

By an Arrest of the Council, all those persons that have crept into the Nobility since the year 1600. in the *Mayries* of *Angiers*, *Poitiers*, *Rochelle*, *Niort*, *St. Jean d'Angely*, *Bordeaux*, *Lyon*, and *Angoulesme*, shall have Taxes set on them to confirm them in the Priviledges they receive by it, and the several *Mayries* are for the future to take care that no more be ennobled.

*Dittes*, Jan. 26. The Duke of *Beaufort* is gone from *Bress*, intending for *Rochelle*, and to take a view of those ships that lie in the River of *Charente*, and to see them so well furnished with all necessaries, that they may be ready to put to Sea.

Two days since, great store of Cannon that were cast at the *Arsena*, were imbarqued upon the *seine*, to be conveyed to *La Fere*, and other Towns of *Picardy*.

*Hymouth*, Jan. 19. Yesterday, the *Victory*, a Privateer, formerly set out from *Dover*, brought into this Harbor, a French prize of about 50 Tuns laden with Spanish Wines and Fruits from *Malaga*, which he took off the *Sept Isles* on Tuesday last: the prize had eleven Men aboard her, and four good Guns, equal to the number of the *Victory*, but yielded without firing any of them.

*Bristol*, Jan. 21. This day is arrived a Vessel that came some time since from *New England*, and ran a ground about *Swansey*, from whence she had the good fortune to get safely off.

Here are likewise come in, four or five Vessels from *Ireland*, who speak of the good condition of that Kingdom, and their courage and readines to defend themselves, in case any attempts be upon them.

We have information of a small Vessel, called the *Gist*, of this Town, of about 80 Tuns, that passing over the Bay of *St. Lucar*, was by the negligence or ignorance of the Master, cast away, but the men all of them saved.