

effect, and the *Swede* has cause enough to suspect the worst, since they have forbidden them all Trade with *Plescom*, or any other of the States.

Vienna, Dec. 10. In Upper *Hungary* there are some untoward divisions raised, betwixt the Protestants and the Papists, about their right to some Churches; and they are grown to that height, that they will hardly be compos'd without calling a General Dyets, which as the Emperours Affairs now stand, cannot be of advantage to him. Count *Balsfi Imbre* is charged with very high misdemeanours, but refuses to make answer to them at *Vienna*; insisting, that by the Laws and Priviledges of his Country, he is not accountable for what they accuse him of, to any but the *Hungarian Diet*, and that there only he will appear to make his defence.

The French Resident here, (notwithstanding the Agreement that was made before) refuses now to accept of the 220000 Florins, and that assignation of the Polish Salt-mines, for the two Dukedoms of *Ratibor* and *Oppelen*, which strange kind of deportments, makes us suspect they would not be sorry to find any occasion to quarrel with us.

Legorn, Dec. 18. On the 16 instant here arriv'd seven English Marine's; who belong to the *Advise*, and Little *St. George*, having made their escape from a French ship that ran ashore on the Island of *Corsica* in her return home from the French Fleet, to which she carried Provisions from *Toulon*. They report the *Advise* laden with Currants from *Zant*, taken about two months since by two French Men of War, and a Frigate of *Tunis*; and that the Little *St. George* was taken going from *Sicilia* to *Malaga*, laden with Corn. The French, they say, gave out, they had Orders to carry all English ships into *Toulon*, whither they were then to return. The English Mariners were dispos'd into several ships of the French Fleet. The *Sun*, an English ship, coming in 43 days from *Constantinople*, reports, that forty Gallies, and eight ships were upon their departure for *Canea* with Soldiers and Provisions. This week two Proclamations were published here, the one forbidding Commerce with England, the other with *Cullen* and *Frankfort*, because of the sickness.

Deventer, Jan. 2. The Bishops Forces are still abroad, and make havock of the Counteys, whilst ours ly still in Garrison. A Party of 7000 Horse under the command of *Grave Hoemberg*, and *General Forgatz*, have been at *Wentzwick*, where they have encouraged their men with our spoiles; they pass by *Almelo*, and are now marching higher up into the Countrey. A Party of their Horse fac'd *Doeshburgh*, where they took away a Prisoner from under their Walls, and found none so hardy to give them opposition, though they are 22 Companies in the Garrison, and six of them French. *Wedde* holds out still obstinate, and answers our shot with their Cannon, which makes the Besiegers weary of their employment. One salley they made, in hopes to fetch in a number of Cartels, but they mist their design and went off with loss. That which troubles us most, is, the fear of some ill Friends among our selves, for the people are observed to be very busie in meeting, and in such numbers, that *Broesema*, the Commander of *Coeurden* has sent to *Groningen* for more Forces, as not knowing the meaning of such Assemblies, but there are among them that say, 5000 of the Bishops Forces are coming out of *Munster-land* to them, and if so, it is easy to understand the business. About 1000 are drawn out of this Place, and some out of *Swol*, and other Garrisons, to go as is said, toward *Almelo*, which the Bishop's Forces have taken possession of.

Hague, Jan. 3. The States General of Holland and West-Friesland, met by particular Order again on Friday last, where they choose one *Burgh* of *Amsterdam* in the place which *Myn Heer Meirman* refused. The Companies of *Sterrenburgh* and *Van Bont*, upon their march to these parts, met with Orders that remanded them to *Zurphen*: The truth is, the Bishops Forces are more busie and powerful, then we understood them; and therefore no wonder, if upon better Information, there is an alteration in the former Resolutions. To morrow the Lords Commissioners of the Council of Holland, will dispose of the Lieutenants and Ensigns places in the Regiment of 3000 that is newly raised. The Treaty

with *Denmark* lies as it did, still uncompleted, and if e People have been too often galled with stories of its being perfect'd, that they can hardly be any longer perswaded to expect a good issue of it.

Bremen, Dec. 30. This City begins to be allarm'd at the *Swedes* march, and are now putting themselves in a posture of defence. The Cannons are drawn on the walls, and the Inhabitants dispos'd to maintain their Right against all opposition; to which purpose we are raising some Forces for six Moneths, and are not without hope of assistance from our Neighbors. However, we have sent two Deputies to Count *Wrangel*, the *Swedes* General, who yet remains at *Stralsundt*, to expostulate the matter with him, and to know if he have any intent against this place.

Poole, Dec. 30. The 28th instant came into this Road a French Sloop, who chased a small Vessel of this Town, but being to wind-ward she got safe to Harbor. Captain *Thomson*, Commander of a Privateer belonging to *Margate*, came hither yesterday with a Prize of about 170 Tuns, her Cargo valued at 8000 pounds sterling, having aboard her 100 Tuns of *Malago* Sack, 300 Barrels of Fruits, and a quantity of Silkes. In her voyage homeward she put into *Guernsey*, to wash and talow, where she met with Captain *Jones*, a Commander of a Privateer, that was lately cut away upon the Coast of *France*, but himself and Company all saved. At their landing in *France* they were secured, and kept close Prisoners for five weeks, their allowance but 18 deniers a day. Commander *Jones* says, that divers Letters of Reprisal are granted against the English to those of *New-aven*, where they were Prisoners, and that he saw some of their Commissions; three of them were ready to set sail, one of 12, another of 24, and a third of 30 Guns.

Portsmouth, Dec. 29. A Vessel of *Topsay* came in hither from the *Barbadoes*, in company with 14 more, making her Voyage in about 9 weeks. One of them about three days after they were out at Sea, was by an unhappy accident burnt, another not long after sunk, but all the men saved. About 150 Leaguer off these ships parted company, and this ship, with 4 more, about a hundred Leagues off, met a Dutch Man of War of 30 pieces of Ordnance, who taking one of them, mann'd her, and with these two made fight against the other three, who had about 12 pieces each ship. This Vessel being of no force, made her escape, and left them engaged. The issue is not yet known.

Portsmouth, Dec. 31. Yesterday Captain *Bell* in the *Tiger*, brought in two Prizes, and the *Trinity* a third. One of them is avowedly a *Holland* Vessel laden with Oranges and Lemmons.

Southwold, Dec. 28. Yesterday past by fifty sail of laden Colliers, twenty of them great Ships, who report, they saw no *Holland* Men of War in their whole passage.

Plymouth, Dec. 29. Yesterday in the Evening, the *Sorlings* brought in a Prize of 250 Tuns, laden with Currants. By her Papers, the Goods wholly (if not the Ship) belong unto *Amsterdam*. The *Nightingale* hath sent in another Prize laden with Beef, &c.

Dover, Dec. 29. Yesterday the *Holland* Ambassador, *Fan Goch*, set sail this Morning from hence in the *Little Mary* Frigate, with a fair wind for *Flushing*.

Deal, Dec. 30. Yesterday about Evening, 17 Prisoners from *Newgate*, who were aboard a *Barbadoes* ship, got off their Fetters, secur'd the ships Crew, and went ashore about a mile to the Northward of *Deal*: the Master of the ship made pursuit after them, and this day took four in this Town. One of our Neighbour, exchange'd from *Flushing*, came home Yesterday, who reports the *Dutch* to be firing out their ships; and that four Capers are going out from thence, each carrying thirty Guns.

Harwich, Dec. 30. On Thursday several Colliers from *Newcastle* anchored in *Oasly Bay*, within sight of us. Yesterday, and this day, most of them set sail toward the South. They talk of some Ships cast away off of *Blackney*, but without any certainty.

The Account of the Weekly Bill at *London* runs thus, Total 253. Plague 70. Decreas'd 77.