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Edenburgh, December 23.

THis day Sentence was pronounced against the Earl of Argile, as follows.

Forasmuch as Archibald Earl of Argile is found Guilty and Culpable by an Act of the Crimes of Treason, Leizing-making, and Leizing-telling, for which, he was detained Prisoner in the Castle of Edenburgh, but has now since the said Verdict made his escape; the Lords Commissioners of Justice, therefore Decerne and Adjudge the said Archibald Earl of Argile to be Execute to the Death, Demained as a Traitor, and to underly the pains of Treason, and utter punishment, appointed by the Laws of this Reajm, when he shall be apprehended, at such time, place, and in such manner, as His Majesty in His Royal Pleasurc shall think fit to Declare and Appoint; and his Name, Memory, and Honors to be extinct, and his Arms to be Riven forth, and delate out of the Books of Arms, so that his Posterity may never have Place, nor be able hereafter to bruike or possesse any Honors, Offices, Titles, or Dignities within this Realm in time coming. And to have for Fault, Amnitted, and Lint all and sundry his Lands, Heretages, Liffrents, and Regts, Offices, Titles and Dignities, Tackes, Steadings, Rooms, Possessions, Goods, and Gar. whatsoever pertaining to him, to our Soeveraign Lord to remain perpetually within His Highnesses Property, which was pronounced for doom.

God save the King.

Speech of Lyon King at Arms, at the tearing of the Arms of the late Earl of Argile, after the pronouncing of his Sentence of Forfeiture.

Forasmuch as Archibald Earl of Argile, is by a Sentence of the Lords Commissioners of Justice, found Guilty of the Crimes of Treason, Leasing-making, and Leasing-telling, and Deawned to be Execute as a Traitor, Forfeaulted in his Estate, and his Name, Memory, and Honors to be extinct, and his Arms to be Riven forth and Delate out of the Books of Arms; Therefore I, His Majesty's Lyon King at Arms, in His Majesty's Name, and Authority, do now Teat, Cancel, Reverse, and Trample under-foot the Arms of the said late Earl of Argile, with all the Badges, and Ornaments therev belonging, and raze the same out of all the publick Registers and Records, and Doclare the said Archibald, late Earl of Argile, as being a Traitor, and his Descendants to be Ignoble, and unworthy to bear Arms, or any Token of Honor for ever.

God save the King.

This Paper was read by Lyon King at Arms, in his Coat of Arms and other Ornaments, accompanied with his Brethren Heralds and Pursivants, and His

Majesties Trumpeters in their Liveries, after their Sounding in open face of Court, after the Sentence of Forfeault was pronounced, where his Arms were torn and trampled under-foot, and thereafter being accompanied as aforesaid in a Solemn Procession, each of them carrying the late Earl his Coat Reversed, with these words in great Letters, The Arms of Archibald late Earl of Argile, Traitor, and the said Arms being again torn on the Cross, and trampled under-foot, were affixed on the same Cross Reverse.

Ratisbonne, Dec. 26. The 20th Instant the States of the Empire Assembled here, came to a final Resolution, upon the five Points, concerning the security of the Empire, which have been so long the subject of their Debates. *First*, That the Circles shall not be at liberty to recall the Troops which they furnish to the Army of the Empire, but that they shall remain there till it be resolved by the States of the Empire to separate the said Army. *Secondly*, That the Marches, Counter-marches, Quarterings, and Incampments, shall be with the Advice of the Directors of the Circles, and the States therein interested. *Thirdly*, That the Moneys raised by the Empire for the service of the Army, shall be disposed of and distributed by the General. *Fourthly*, That the General-Officers, and the Officers of the Artillery shall be paid out of the said Moneys, and such persons as deserve well, recompenced; but that every Circle shall pay its own Troops. *Fifthly*, That the Emperor be humbly prayed that effectual care may be taken to regulate the Moneys current, as well in the Empire, as in the Hereditary Countreys. These Resolutions the Dyet have desired the Imperial Commissioners to acquaint the Emperor with, that they may have his approbation.

Cologne, Decemb. 31. The French have not only possessed themselves of the Countrey of Condorc, which lies on both sides the Meuse, and reaches from Huy as far as Liege, as a Dependence of the Countrey of Clermont; but have likewise formed Pretensions on several other places, and particularly on Wans and Lonoin, belonging to the Archbishoprick of Trier. From Strasbourg we have an Account that the new Fortifications which the French make there, are very much advanced; that the Sieur de Kauban, the Principal Ingenier, was gone for Italy; and that the French continue to provide great Magazines at Colmar, Schleisalt, Brisac, &c. and that they were about making a Bridge over the Rhine at Sinsingen.

Magua, Jan. 6. The States-General have resolved to success their standing Forces by adding 20 men to each Troop of Horse, and 20 to every Company of Foot, which in all will come to about 11000 men. Count Meldecker, who is lately made Governor of Hertogen Bosch, is going for Germany, upon his being chosen by the States Assembled at Ratisbonne, General