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Vienna, December 14.

THe 12th Instant arrived here an Express with Letters from the Governor of *Gran*, giving an account that the Bassa of *Buda* having drawn a Body of Men together out of the neighboring Garisons, was marching, as was believed, to attack *Vicegrad*; Upon which a Council of War was held here, and yesterday the Courier was dispatched back to *Gran*. The Emperor, having received an account that the Moscovites have lately committed several Hostilities upon the Subjects of the Crown of *Poland*, immediately dispatched an Express to *Moscow* with orders to his Minister there, to mind the Czars of the Promise they made his Imperial Majesty, That during the War with the Turks they would not attempt any thing against the Crown of *Poland*; and to represent to them how prejudicial a Rupture between them and the Poles will be at this time to all Christian Freedom. Major-General *Scherffenberg* has orders to post himself with some Troops about *Neutra* to hinder the Turks from carrying any Provisions into *Newbeusel*; The Garison whereof will not, it's said, be able to subsist this Winter without a good supply. The Troops of *Bavaria* and *Suabia* are not very well pleased with their Winter-quarters; but all possible care is taken to provide all things necessary for them. The Baron *Zierouski* is gone for *Poland* (from whence Count *Wallastain* is daily expected) to assist at the Dyet of that Kingdom, which will be held at *Warsaw*, on the part of his Imperial Majesty; Who has made the King of *Poland* a Present of 10 of the greatest Cannon that were taken from the Turks at the relief of *Vienna*. It's said that Prince *Waldecke* will be here the next month; and that he will command the Forces of the Empire in *Hungary* the next Campaign. The Duke of *Lorraine* will not stir from hence this Winter, his Presence being necessary at the Councils of War that are from time to time held here; and yesterday an Express was sent to *Insprucke* with Letters from the Emperor and his Highness to the Dutchess of *Lorraine*; who is expected here the beginning of the next month. The Count de *Cannitz*, the Emperor's Envoy Extraordinary to the Elector of *Bavaria*, will begin his journey in a day or two for *Municke*.

Vienna, December 17. The account we had the last week that General *Schuliz* hath been forced by the severity of the weather to raise the Siege of *Esperies*, is confirmed. They write from *Lewentz* that the Turks have fallen into the Imperialists Quarters on that side, and have taken some Pri-

soners, upon which Colonel *Heustler* is commanded thither to prevent the like for the future, for which purpose he is to draw 1000 Horse out of several Regiments in *Lower Hungary*. It's said that the Turks in *Newbeusel* are in great want of all manner of Provisions, and that the Commander has written to the Bassa of *Buda* to let him know that the Christians having destroyed the Country for several miles round the place, they cannot subsist without a speedy succor; To hinder which 5000 Men, consisting of Hossars, Croats and Dragoons, will be posted near *Newbeusel*; And in the Spring the first design, we are told, will be upon that place. The Duke of *Hanover* has given the Emperor a Regiment of Horse commanded by the Prince his second Son; and we are assured that the House of *Lunenburg* will together assist his Imperial Majesty with 10 or 12000 Men. We hear nothing farther of the Enemies design upon *Vicegrad*, which makes us think it was a false alarm brought to *Gran* by the Country People.

Cologne, December 22. The Governor of *Dusseldorp* is come hither by order of the Duke of *Fuliers*, to withdraw his Troops in Garison here, which will accordingly march from hence after the Holy-days. Several Officers are come hither to raise Men for the Service of the Emperor. This City are likewise raising the 600 Men they are to send to the Emperor's assistance.

Brussels, December 26. The Letters from *Madrid* of the 7th Instant tell us, That the Marquis de *Grana* is continued in the Government of these Countries for three years longer: And that the Duke de *Bourbonville* late Viceroy of *Castlonia* was come to *Madrid* and had Kissed the King's hand, but had refused the Place that was offered him in the Council of *Flanders*. The Burghers of this City are much alarmed at a Report that the Marquis de *Grana* intends to take from them the Keys of the Gates, which they have now in their keeping, and have thereupon doubled their Guards, especially at the Town-House, whither the Keys are carried every night. The Duke de *Fejar* is preparing for his return to *Spain*; and will begin his journey within few days. The Letters from *Vienna* of the 14th Instant inform us, that a great Council of War was held there the 12th upon the arrival of an Express from *Gran*, who brought an account, that the Turks had appeared in a very considerable Body near *Vicegrad*, and that it was believed they had a design upon that place.

Brussels, December 29. Yesterday arrived here an Officer from the Count de *Montbrow*, Lieutenant-Governor of the French *Flanders*, who commands at present in chief, the Marschal d'*Humieres* being gone to *Paris*; This morning he had Audience of the Marquis de *Grana*, and afterwards dined with his Excellency, and pretends to part

part again from hence to morrow; His Errand hither, as we are told, was to acquaint his Excellency, that his Most Christian Majesty had given Orders for the delivering up of *Courtray* and *Dixmuyde* so soon as the remaining Contributions are paid, or sufficient Security given for the doing it, especially on the behalf of the Provinces of *Hainault* and *Namur*. They write from *Liege* that the French have evacuated the Town of *Tbuyn* belonging to the Elector of *Cologne* as Bishop of *Liege*: That they have repaired the great Bridge over the *Meuse* at *Dinant*; And have finished that they built at *Charlemont*. The Baron de *Meyerheim* is come hither from *Liege*; and hath had Audience of the Marquis de *Grana*, his business is to see what assistance his Excellency can give the Emperor against the Turks. They write from *Vienna*, that they are providing great Magazines at *Vienna*, *Presburg*, *Comorra*, and other places for the use of the Imperial Army the next Campaign; And that some Turkish Troops are got into *Newbeusel* but without any Provisions. The report that the Marquis de *Grana* intended to take the Keys of the City out of the hands of the Burghers, appears to have been without any ground, his Excellency having declared that he never thought of it; However the Burghers continue to keep a double Guard every night at the Town-House.

Hague, December 26. The Deputies of the City of *Amsterdam* proposed the last week in the Assembly of the States of *Holland*, That the present condition of the Fleet of this State may be lookt into, and more Ships built; That the Forces at Land may be reduced to the Foot they used heretofore to be on in times of Peace; That the Pay of the Officers and Soldiers may be lessened; That the Moneys allowed for Secret Services and Fortifications may be carefully managed, &c. And it's believed that at the re-meeting of the said States, who are adjourned till the 9th of the next Month, these Points will be farther spoken of. The States we are told will then likewise come to some determination in the business of *Dort*; The City of *Amsterdam* and some other of the Towns have declared their opinions in favour of the Magistrates of *Dort*; though at the same time the Court of Justice seem resolved to maintain their Jurisdiction. The Commissioners of this State have orders to hasten their departure for *England*. The Count de *Nassaw* General of the Horse, parted from hence yesterday to return to his Government of *Bolduc*. Monsieur de *Lavergne*, late Governor of *Deventer*, has quitted the Service of this State and put himself into that of the Emperor.

Leicester, December 18. This Corporation having some time since made a Surrender of their Charter into His Majesty's hands, His Majesty hath been Graciously pleased to Grant them another, with the Addition of a Fair for all manner of Cattle and other Merchandizes upon the Saturday before *Palm-Sunday*; Which Charter was this day brought hither, being met about three Miles from this place by several of the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and other Gentlemen of the County, in all about Two hundred Horse, and at the end of the Town by the Mayor, Aldermen,

and Common-Council in their Formalities, who all marched in an orderly manner to the *Guild-hall*, the Musick playing before them, where the Court being sat, and the Charter read, the Mayor, the Deputy-Recorder, (the Right Honorable the Earl of *Huntingdon* our present Recorder being absent) together with the Aldermen, Common-Council, and other Officers were Sworn; after which the New Magistrates and the Gentlemen who were present on this Occasion, were Entertained at a Noble Dinner prepared at the charge of the Town, the Conduit in the Market-place running with Wine, and the ringing of Bells and Bonfires concluding the day.

Dover, December 23. Last night about eight a Clock the *Francis* Packet-Boat came from *Calais* having on board two Mailes, and towards midnight, being about two Leagues from *Calais* and Steering their Course for this place, a Vessel of about 70 Tuns belonging to *Flissing* in *Zealand*, run on board her, it blowing very hard, and the weather being so dark that they could not see one the other; Whereupon the said Packet boat immediately sunk, the Water coming in so fast that they had not time to secure the Mailes, but the said Vessel being intangled in the Rigging of the Packet-Boat, the Master, Seamen, and most of the Passengers, saved themselves; and this morning the *Zealand* put into our Harbour, being much damnified by this accident; and the Persons saved out of the Packet-Boat are come ashore, from whom we have this account.

Deal, Decemb. 24. It blew yesterday in the forenoon a very violent Storm, during which the *Tobias* of *Amsterdam* of about 150 Tuns laden with French Wines, was driven ashore near this place, where she stayed in pieces. The *Massenberg* is arrived in the Downs from the *East Indies*.

Deal, Decemb. 26. Greatest part of the lading of the Dutch Vessel that was stranded the 23 instant on *Deal Beach*, hath been saved. The *Shrewsbury* is sailed for the *East Indies*; but the *Shandow* having sustained some damage in the late bad weather, is still in the Downs.

Advertisements.

THE 8th Instant a great Robbery was committed upon several Persons, to the value of above 500 l. upon *Linne Road* near *Thorp Common* in the County of *Norfolk*, by four Persons well mounted, one upon a dappled grey Horse, another upon a lighter Grey, and the other two upon Bay Horses, all about 16 hands high, armed with Swords and Pistols, and Blunderbusses except one who had only a Hanger; one of the Robbers left his Horse behind him, being a bright bay Gelding 16 hands high, with a Star in his Forehead and a Snip on his Neck, which is to be heard of at *Sir Thomas Hares* in the said County, instead whereof they took away a lusty brown Gelding with a mealy Nose; One of the Robbers was a full faced Man, another Wisefaced and Pock-broken, and another with flaxen Hair or a Perriwig, and the fourth is a tall black Man with long black Hair, and the Horse is a bright bay Gelding with a Star on his Forehead and a Snip on his left Nostril, about 15 hands high. Whoever discovers any of them to the Keeper of *Newgate*, shall be well rewarded.

LOST on Monday last in the Evening a File with Whittings and Acquittances, supposed to be dropt not far off the Exchange, London; Whoever hath taken it up, is desired to bring it to Mr. *Elmers* at the Coffee-House in *Cornhill* against the Exchange; and they shall have 10 s. reward for their pains.