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Dover, Jan. 13.

A Fregot of Sir *Arthur Slingsbyes* lately chas'd two great Dutch ships ashoar near *Diep*: the one they themselves burnt, thinking it impossible to save her from the Fregot; the other running so far in, that she lay dry at low water, was protected by about 500 French who came down armed to defend her; though by the manner of their unfolding, they seem'd rather to make her goods plunder, then to prelerve them for the Owners.

Tork, Jan. 15. Alderman *George Macklings* is elected Lord Mayor of this City for the year ensuing. On Saturday last at a General Sessions held at the *Guild-hal* of this City, eleven Ministers, who had been great leaders in the late times, and two Schoolmasters, came into Court and took the Oath prescribed by the Act.

Hul, Jan. 14. We have yet no certain news of the arrival of our *Hamburgh Fleet*, though we have no reason to suspect it, in regard we know they had a fair wind, and have received advise that the *Elue* was clear of Ice to receive them.

Ipswich, Jan. 15. A small Vessel is come in hither from the *Elue*, which reports for certain, that our Fleet, which went from *Hul* lately with their Convoy, are safely arrived in that River.

Yarmouth, Jan. 15. The last high Tydes washing down the Clifles about *Winterton*, there were found several vast bones, of which a legge bone was brought hither weighing 57 pound and three quarters, the length three foot two inches, which our Physicians and Chirurgions affirm to be the leg-bone of a Man.

Dublin, Jan. 10. The Lord Lieutenant went on Monday last to *Maddens Town*, a Seat of my Lord of *Arran's*, with intention to return on Saturday, the Parliament being to sit again on Monday next. The ship formerly mentioned to have been stranded in the County of *Mayo* proves very rich.

Genova, Jan. 6. They write from *Cadix*, that the Spanish Armada there is still without an Admiral, to command in the place of the Duke d' *Avoro*, which is yet kept unimpeded by the solicitations of the Competitors, whereof the most considerable are, the Duke de *Veraguas*, who commands the Friggor at *Ostend*; and the Marquels de *Villa Franca*, General of the Gallies of *Sicily*.

Naples, Dec. 19. All those who were seized in any part of this State, upon the account of the Duel betwixt the Dukes de *Martina* and *Delle Noci*, are kept close prisoners, and no body suffered to speak with them without the hand of our Vice Roy, the Cardinal d' *Arragon*, who hath enjoyed the parties most concerned, to make choice of two of their Relations to endeavor an accommodation.

Dantzick, Dec. 19. In *Poland*, their Arms seem to be more quiet then their Spirits, which are restless till the meeting of the next Parliament. The Confederates are still in possession of Great *Poland*, where, in a Council, they took care to indemnifie the Nobles. The Kings forces pillage all *Prussia*, even the very Territories that belong to this City. The Citizens were all, upon the sudden, these Holidays, in Arms, setting Sentinals round the City; but upon further consideration they seem to be better satisfied. There is an apprehension of a new combination of the *Tartars*, by joyning with the *Cossacks* in *Ukrains*, who begin to assault several Towns with their Guards.

Hague, Jan. 22. The Treaty with *Lunenburgh* having been at first but for four months, the Provinces are now writ to about the prolongation of it, though the truth be, that onely points at money to be provided for them, the Treaty containing a clause, by which it continues it self the next four months,

unless otherwise renounced by the Parties: In the mean time, the Dowager of *East-Friesland*, finding her self pestered with the quartering of those Troops, hath sent hither the *Sieur de Linto*, to sollicite some remedy for that evil.

The Officers that came hither from *Maastricht* fill the Town with complaints of the great pillage and vexations, committed upon the Subjects of this State, by a Regiment of 800 men, which are raising about *Geclift* for the Bishop of *Munster*, in which we yet see not what redress those poor people are to expect hence.

Wednesday the twentieth instant, the *Sieur Bevering* went hence on the errand, you have heard, to *Cleve*, having, as is said, to sweeten him the more, had the place of one of the Deputies of this Province in the States General conferred on him. We are told here, that the King of *Spain* hath cashiered three Regiments of French that were in his service.

The Deputies from the several Provinces (save onely those of *Zealand*) are arrived here, and have notified their arrival, as the custom is. The principal points of their deliberations, it is said, will be, What answer is to be given to the *East-India Company*; who, it seems, having born a great share in the last Summers losses of all kindes, begin to withdraw their necks, and in lieu of the twenty ships promised to the next yeats preparations, desire to compound for a sum of money.

The Province of *Zealand* hath been publickly accused to be extremely behinde hand in furnishing their Quota of publick expences, not having paid in one penny yet towards that of the *Lunenburgh* forces.

The Elector of *Brandenburgh* hath sent a new Letter of Credence to his Ministers here, giving them the character of Envoys Extraordinary; for what reason, we know not, unless by that quality he intends they should, as the late Minister from the King of *England* did, take place of the Deputies of the States, being desirous upon the contestation of that point to prolong time; for here we do not intend to give the same place to Envoyes from Electors, that we allow to those of Kings.

Rome, Jan. 2. The *Venetians* upon pretence of their Sovereignty of the *Adriatick Sea* (a right which they have for many ages maintained) finding a Bark in those Seas, belonging to the Popes Dominions, demanded the custom due to the Republick, and upon the Masters denial, carried the Vessel to *Venice*. His Holiness, by his Nuncio, prest the release of it, till wearied with long Addresses, as finding no relief, at last, he ordered their pretensions to be allowed, and commanded the Boat home to *Eccrara*; but as soon as she was in safety, he caused an Embargo to be made in *Ancona*, and all his Ports by way of reprisal upon all Ships, Barks, and Vessels belonging to the *Venetians*, taking away their Sail and Rudders to prevent escape. The *Venetians* upon notice of it, sent an Exprest to their Ambassador here, to make complaint of this great excess of State in the Pope, of whom he demanded Audience, but was refused. From thence he made his Addtels to the Cardinal *Patron*, who represented to his Holiness of what disadvantage it might be to the *Venetian Arms*, to suffer such an affront in this conjuncture of affairs; and after a consult with his Holiness, sent a Messlage to the Ambassador, acquainting him, that in consideration of their Engagement with the *Turk*, he would not for the present resent the injury they did him in the *Adriatick*, and that the Embargo should be taken off, to which purpose he has appointed a Congregation of Cardinals to contrive the manner of it most to his Holyness satisfaction and credit.

Paris, Jan. 23. The last gave an account of the death of the Queen Mother the 20th instant; The night before the King went on Foot from *St. Germain L' Auxerrois* his

own Parish Church, by the way of the *Croix de Tirois*, the Sacrament being carried before him, which the Queen Mother received from the hands of the Bishop *D' Auch* his great Almoner; and then in an excellent discourse recommended to his Majesties care, the easing of his People, and to have a due regard to the Officers of his household, and other persons under oppression; but above all, to preserve Peace and Unity, and entire affection betwixt himself and Monsieur, and in all his actions to follow the example of his Grand Father *Henry* the 4th. A while after, she asked him, with a steadfast countenance, if he would assure her to keep the promise he had made to her? to which, the King answered, he would; but what that promise was, is not known. Yesternight her heart was carried to the *Val de Grace*, to which she had bequeath'd it, and on Monday the rest of her body is to be brought to *St Denis*, which by her express order, is to be done without any pomp. Monsieur *de Lionne*, *Le Tellier*, *Tubouf*, and *d' Arques* the Premier President of the Parliament of *Britany*, are her Executors. Her Will, which the King signed without staying the reading of it, is not yet fully known, only it is said, she bequeath'd a Million to *Mademoiselle*, her jewels to *Monsieur*, 400 M. Livres for continuing the repair of the *Val de Grace*, 12 M. Livres to each Lady of her Chamber, 100 M. to *Madam de Beauvois*, and a considerable sum to *Monsieur Bertillac*. It is discou'd here, That the King will send *Monsieur Colbert*, Master of Requests, with very rich Presents to his Electoral Highness of *Brandenburgh* at *Cleve*, to complement him, and assure him of the great Respect he hath for him.

Cleve, Jan. 19. The last News from the *Hague*, advieth us, That *Monsieur d' Estrades* from the French King, and *Monsieur Bevering* from the States, are coming hither to dispose the Elector to an Accommodation: the first, quitting his Character to avoid the dispute of rank; and the other, in quality of Envoy. The news is confirm'd, That the Prince of *Minster* hath defeated two Parties of the Dutch; one of 400, the other of 150, and taken 100 Wagons of Provisions, and other Goods to a great value.

An Officer come from *Coesfeld*, saith, That the Bishop hath lately paid two Months pay to his Army, that they are in very good heart, and that he continues to make new Levies.

De Wit had lately design'd to bring two Troops of French Horse into the *Hague*, but was oppos'd by several Towns in *Holland*; as *Leyden*, *Harlaem*, *Delft*, and the *Hague*, pretending those Troops were not under their Oath, and that so it was not fit they should be brought into *Holland*; yet *de Wit* being forced to own the thing in the Assembly, he said, He thought there was no harm in it.

Hague, Jan. 22. Upon the King of *England's* civility to *Cunco*, and our Ambassadors other Domesticks, our Governors have at last released *Monsieur Oudart*, *Gringan* and *Cornoy*; but, as is said, with condition, that this last quit the Territories of this State in 24 hours.

The States have issued out Commissions for raising Seventy five Companies, for composing a Flying Body to bear up against the Bishop this Winter, which, as is said, shall be commanded by *Gil Patrick*, *Dolman*, *Mauriac* (a French Colonel) &c. though we see but little hope of getting into the Field; considering, besides all other difficulties, the want of Forage in the Provinces, which was great enough, when we left the Field, and must needs be much more so now, and is not expected to be in greater quantity till near the Month of *May*.

The common Argument of discourse at present, is, a Letter writ in pertinent discreet terms, to the Elector of *Brandenburgh*, by an unknown Patriot of this State; in which, he gives him a view of Affairs among us, shewing plainly, it is no more a State properly, but a Faction; and that the soberest part saw a necessity, in this conjuncture of Affairs, as well as a Justice, that the Prince of *Orange* should be restored to the Charges and Dignities of his Ancestors; at least, as an earnest of that he ought to have a place given him in the Council of State, to prepare him for those greater Employments he may one day expect in this State; That it was evi-

dent by the last Campaign, how ill a reputation of many Heads suits with the Supreme Command of an Army: That it is His Highnesses part, as Tutor to the young Prince, in procuring Him that esteem and consideration among us, that the Blood and Merits of his Ancestors entitle Him to, to rescue us from that ruine and confusion we are otherwise falling into. Upon which, the Elector hath written a discreet Letter hither, inclosing a Copy of that written to him, thinking it best, without farther pressing the Matter, seriously to admonish the States to a peaceable temper and agreement among themselves, in things that so immediately touch their being and subsistence, pointing obliquely at the receiving the Prince forthwith into the Council of State. All which, after a close Deliberation, was thought fit to be stifled from the Commonalty: But the secret hath broke out, and is now the subject of every Bodies reflection.

Amsterdam, Jan. 21. On Thursday last, Vice-Admiral *Bankert* set sail from *Flushing* with three States Men of War. All the Ships which were at *Campveer* are gone, except only *Captain de Haes*, who weigh'd anchor this Morning: Seven and twenty Prisoners are carried to *Middleburgh*, taken by *Captain Cooijngen*, who says, That meeting four Ships, he fired one, sunk a second, and brought off two. The new Ship that was built at *Zricksee*, is on her way for *Flushing*, commanded by the Son of old *Jan Everise*. We have advi'd of an English Ship or two, well mann'd, brought up into *Zealand*, but the account is so lame, as mentioning neither in what place they were taken, whether bound, or to w'l at *Port of Zealand* they were brought, that we cannot answer for the credit of it. The Letters from *Muscovy* speak of a Ship of ours cast away on their Coast, but the landing saved.

Grningen, Jan. 19. Our Forces finding those of *Weldle* so obstinate, and little hope of reducing them by strength, have at last consented to the terms the Garrison demand'd; so that having Carts sent them to carry off their sick, and necessaries, they march'd out yesterday 450, with Colours flying, Matches lighted, and Bullets in Mouth, leaving barely four Field-pieces, and a small quantity of Gun-powder and Ammunition. The Count of *Skellart* hath resigned his command of the Town and Garrison of *Doesburgh*, and Lieutenant Colonel *Wall* succeeds in that employment. Since the retreat of the Bishops Army, we hear that Seventeen or Eighteen hundred Men are come in to him, being levied in the parts about the *Rhine*.

Hague, Jan. 22. We do now all generally believe the Treaty of *Denmark* is concluded, though none speak positively of the Particulars. From *Brandenburgh* we have not such hopes, and indeed rather cause of jealousy, in regard that Electors Minister, *Monsieur Blissy*, instead of returning back hither, as we were made believe he would, is sent forward into *Germany*.

Berwick, Jan. 14. We have a report here, That two Dutch Capers upon Friday last took 6 small Fisher-Boats belonging to *Holy Island*, each boat having 3 or 4 Men. How they have disposed them we hear not.

Pendennis, Jan. 15. Yesterday the *Nightingale* and *Richmond* went in Convoy of several ships from this Port, and intend to cruise upon the Western Coast.

Sherborn, Jan. 18. A Vessel being by contrary windes put into *Barnstable*, *Captain Thurston* Commander, bound for *New England*, brings Letters dated *Nov. 20*. which assure us, that all things were then in a peaceable condition there, and no appearance of any Dutch in those Parts; and that His Majesties Commissioners had made a considerable progress in the regulating those Colonies and Plantations, to the great ease and satisfaction of the Inhabitants.

Pool, Jan. 17. Our Fisher-men and Coasters trade quietly from Port to Port, without the least Obstruction, we having not heard of the appearance of an Enemy since the departure of the French Sloop.

Isle of Wight, Jan. 17. Just now a *Flushing* Man of War, of 32. Guns, is come into this Road, taken by one of his Majesties Fregots, (some say the *Phoenix*) and the *Flushing* Captain slain.