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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 Minist'rs, 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 unimp'posed 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 Sentinels 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 pester'd 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 cashier'd 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 Express 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