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Falmouth, Dec 9.

From *St. Ives* we are informed that a small vessel from *Ireland* laden with *Hides* and *Provisions*, bound for *France*. was on *Monday* last cast away upon those coasts, but the men saved, and part of the lading.

Pondennis, Dec. 12. One *Tuesday* last arrived here one Dutch ship from *Amsterdam* bound for *Bordeaux*. Several ships lie here, expecting seasonable weather to encourage them to put to sea. On *Saturday* last happened a great storm with much *Thunder*, which fell so severely on the *Church of Manackan* on the other side of *Hellford Harbour*, that it carried the roof from the Church into the Churchyard, blowing down part of the *Towre*, rending the remaining part from the top to the bottom, and much defacing the Church, blowing the *Lead* of it into a heap, and doing much injury to the walls.

Plymouth, Dec. 13. Several ships that went yesterday from this Port, are put back again by contrary winds: This day came in 26 sail from *Holland, Diepe*, and other parts, all of them outwards bound, and may sail with the first fair wind.

Hull, Dec. 13. Several vessels are here arrived from *Rotterdam, Dort*, and other parts.

On *Friday*, a great Flyboat of *Lubeck*, was put ashore near *Flamborough*, and in much danger, but happily escaped. the day before, a vessel of *Newcastle* of 300 Tuns ran a ground on their *South Peer*, but with much care and assistance got clear again. A *Hulshinger* intending for *Newcastle* was the 11th instant driven on ground within a mile of *Bridlington*, and broken in pieces; of 8 men, onely 2 escaping, part of her lading being *Madder, Flax, Hemp*, with other Goods, driven ashore. Thirty light ships are lately put into *Newcastle*, where there is a considerable Fleet of laden *Colliers* expecting a fair opportunity of putting to sea.

Westcomes, Dec. 14. All the Merchants ships which lay here outwards bound, are put to sea with a fair wind, onely one *Holland* ship with *Masts* and *Materials* for shipping lies still, expecting farther Orders. The last night arrived an *Ostend* Privateer with a light French Prize, several others of them are plying about these seas: We have here a warm report that some *Biscay* men of *Warr* have lately set upon the French Salt Fleet belonging to the Grand Party, and have taken the greatest part of them, and carried them into the *Groyne*.

Naples, Nov. 29. About 60 of the *Banditi*, who formerly much disturbed the Country, are now grown willing to redeem their forfeited lives by taking employment in the War, in which they have agreed to serve for two years.

The *Dukes di Matadona* and *di Popolo*, with the *Prince de Sancto Giorgio*, are restored to their full liberty. Cardinal *Caracciola* the Archbishop is suddenly expected here, part of his baggage being already arrived.

Letters of the 18th past from *Candia* inform us that the Grand Visier is wholly intent upon the ruining of the Outworks of that City, endeavouring to lodge under the walls, and from thence by his Mines to get into the Town itself; and that he has planted a Battery upon the edge of the Trench between the Forts *Panigra* and *Bethlem*, from whence they ply hard upon the opposite Cortine: and to preserve his men from the inconveniences of the great Rain, he has ordered Trenches to be made to draw off the waters as they fall, and set up great store of Tents to secure them from the ill weather; and that he has lately received some recruits from the

Archipelago, under the Convoy of the Captain *Bassa*.

Legorn, Dec. 2. This week arrived here 9 English ships, whereof 4 with *Pilchards*, 4 with poor *Jack*, and one with *Herrings*, the last in 18 days from *Tarmouth*. The *Seaflower* laden with *Pilchards* for this Port being very leaky, sunk near *Majorca*, but the men all of them saved by the *Adventure* Ketch which was in her company, and is now arrived here.

Here is also come in one French ship from *Alexandria*; and a Barque from *Constantinople*, with the *Europe* and *St. Lewis* from *Smirna*, from whence we are confirmed in the news of the safe arrival of the two general ships, with four others from *Scanderoon*, from whence they suddenly intended to depart on their way homewards.

Dantzick, Dec. 3. From *Warsaw* we are advised, that the Ambassador from *Muscovy* is suddenly expected there, for whose reception the King has given particular Order, having also appointed several Gentlemen and Officers to meet him upon the way, and to defray all the Expences of his Travails from the Frontiers to the Court: The Great persons about the Court also preparing to receive him at his Entry with all the state and magnificence imaginable.

The Marshall of the Crown has by his Letters to the Court, given them a full account of the retreat of the Tartars, whom he attended in their march to *Turnopol*, where having intelligence given him, that a body of some thousands of the Tartars that had divided themselves from the rest of the Army, commanded by the Sultan *Galga*, were spoiling the Country, he marched up to them, obliged them to restore all their plunder, and to joyn themselves again to the Body of their Army. That he had endeavoured to persuade his Army to take up their Quarters in *Ukrania*, but that he found them very unwilling to hearken to this Proposition, desiring that Quarters might be rather assigned them within the Kingdom of *Poland*, and that they might have security given them for their arrears.

That which principally induced the Tartars to conclude a Peace with *Poland*, and retire, was the intelligence brought to the Sultan *Galga*, that the Old Cham of *Tartary*, deposed by order of the Grand Seignior, had taken this opportunity of the Sultans absence, to draw together all the forces he was able, endeavouring to reinstate himself in his former dignity, and that he had already made a considerable advance, which 'tis believed will occasion a sharp Civil War.

Genova, Dec. 6. This States Admiral is returned into the River, having left their Convoy to proceed onwards, onely a small Petach, which, though a new vessel, proved leaky and defective in her Masts, is put into *Villa Franca*.

From *Milan* we are told that the Governour of that State having taken a view of his Forces, has dismissed them again to their respective Quarters, where they are to continue in readines to march upon the first Orders.

The Cardinal *Litta* in his way from *Rome* lodged one night onely at his Archiepiscopal City of *Gropello*, and the next day arrived at *Milan* unexpectedly, entering without any Ceremony. The Popes Nephew, the Abbot *Rospigliosi*, is passing forwards for *Rome*, and in his way by *Pavia*, was complemented by the Grand Chancellor of *Milan*, attended by several other persons of Quality in the name of *Don Louis Pons de Leon* the Governour.

Vienca, Dec. 10. The Hungarians have not yet resolved upon an Assembly of their States, at a General Diet, having several difficulties in which they first desire to have satisfaction given them both in relation to their Treaty made with the Turks, and the restitution of several Lutheran and

Reformed Churches which have been taken from them: nor are they yet agreed upon the Coronation of the Empress as Queen of Hungary, till first the Empress Dowager shall have divested her self of that Title by her free Renunciation of it into the hands of their States.

The fears we had lest the Turks would make some attempts upon the Frontiers, are in great measure vanish. Our letters from Buda telling us, that the Visier of that place has been by a *Caymakan* recalled to Constantinople by the Command of the Grand Seignior, whose Sister is to be bestowed upon the said Visier for a Wife, and with her the Government of the City of Constantinople; which change of affairs has taken off, and changed the resolution of the Turks from disturbing their Neighbours.

The Negotiation with the Prince de Hochingen which has been long on foot, is believed to be now near a conclusion, and that the Prince is willing to deliver up *Hohenkolbrn* to the Emperor in exchange for *Fawer* and *Schweinitz*, to which we are the rather induced to think effected, since the Council of War has by the Emperors command sent Orders into *Silesia* to march some Forces towards that place.

The Spanish Ambassador is now expecting the return of his Courier from Milan with the Ratification of the Agreement made between him and those Officers, who have here undertaken to raise Forces to be employed in that State; at whose arrival tis believed those Forces will be in readiness to march.

The Envoy from the Duke of Savoy is here attended by part of the Train and a Coach of the French Resident; but in his Audience he seemed to assure the Emperor of the sincere affection and amity of his Master, and that he had no design to attempt any thing against the State of Milan.

The French Resident suddenly expects the arrival of Monsieur de Vitri, in quality of Ambassador from his Most Christian Majesty, who, as 'tis given out, is to endeavour to assure the Emperor, that the King his Master intends not any Hostilities against the Empire, unless he be first provoked to it.

Monsieur de Blumenthal Envoy from his Electoral Highness of Brandenburg is two dayes since arrived here, but as yet appears not in publique, having only sent to complement the Spanish Ambassador, his chief business being supposed to negotiate with him for the method of payng of such Forces as shall be employed in the service of his Catholique Majesty.

The two Princes of Wurtemberg and Atecklenbourg have been treated here with much respect, the Emperor in peculiar kindness commanding the two Cabinets of his Rarities to be shewn to them.

The Cardinal of Saltsbourg is ordered by his Imperial Majesty to repair to Ingolstadt, where he is to conferre with his Electoral Highness of Bavaria about the concerns of the Empire.

Hamburg, Dec. 20. From Munster we are informed that great Levies are to be made in those parts against the next Spring, and that General Gorgas has resolved to adhere to his Imperial Majesty, from whom he expects Commissions for the levying Forces in *Lubec*, *Bremen*, and these parts.

From Ratisbonne they write that his Highness the Prince Elector Palatine has been lately ill of an Apoplectical distemper, but is again somewhat recovered.

The Elector of Bavaria is raising Forces, particularly in the Cities of *Munchen*, *Amberg*, *Newmark*, advancing to every man that lifts himself 10 or 12 Florins a piece, but as yet they are not told for what Employment they are design'd.

The Deputies from the Cities of *Alsacia* have made their complaints to the Electoral Colledge and Princes of the Empire, of the great preparations made by the French, which they fear may too nearly concern them, and that they shall be obliged to take in Garrisons into their Cities, in prejudice to the Treaty of Munster.

Great sums of money are said to be returned from *Paris* and *Lyons* to *Basle* and *Strasbourg*, and 'tis believed the

French will have an Army of 20000 men in *Alsacia*, to have an eye upon the motion of the Princes of Germany, in case the Treaty and Mediation between the two Crowns take no effect.

Monsieur de Granvelle is continually solliciting the States of the Empire, whose Deputies he lately treated with much liberality upon the news brought to him that his Master had honoured him with the Order of St. Michael.

Hague, Dec. 20. The States intend to adjourn till the 10th of January, having not yet fixt upon the Election of their great Military Officers, but have deputed the Heers de *Wis* and *Valckenier*, to conferre with the States of the other Provinces, that they may come to some speedy resolution in that point. They have at present agreed that 12 Millions shall be speedily issued out to be employed upon the Fortifications of the Frontiers. The Deputies of the several Admiralties are busie in taking care for the fitting up of the Fleet against the next Spring. The Admiral de *Ruyter* and *Van Ghens* are again returned back from *Dordrecht*, where with several other of their principal Officers, they have been liberally treated by the Grand Bailly of *Putten*.

On Sunday last arrived here the Count de *Furstenburg*, Brother to the Bishop of *Strasbourg*, having taken his way by post from France by the way of *Liege*, and has had several Conferences with Monsieur d'Estades the French Ambassador.

The Bishop of *Strasbourg* has not yet had Audience from the States, but spends his time in giving and receiving Visits, his principal design being thought to be only his desire of being instrumental in advancing the Treaty between the two Crowns, and preparing all foreign Ministers concerned, for the furtherance of so concerning and pious a work.

The Princess Elector Palatine, with Madam the Princess of *Tarente* have been some days here, but privately and incognito, and are again departed for *Bolsladuc*.

The Prince of *Tuscany* is suddenly expected here from *Amsterdam*, as is in few days the Queen *Christina* from *Hamburg*, and may probably take his part in a Ballet preparing by His Highness the Prince of *Orange* against the *Carneval*.

The Spanish Ambassador has had lately an Audience from the States, and with him an Envoye Extraordinary lately arrived from His Catholique Majesty.

The States have ordered a Man of War to lye ready to attend the Count de *Dona* the Swedish Ambassador into *England*, who only waits till payment be made by the *Guisny* Company of the sum of money due by the late Treaty, till which performance the Ratifications cannot be mutually exchanged.

Lime, Dec. 14. Several ships are lately arrived from *Morlaix*, intended for *Topsbam* and other parts. The *Merry* of this place laden with *Lockrams* was on Saturday morning separated from the rest by storm, and as yet we have no farther news of her.

Weymouth, Dec. 14. The 11th instant, a Barque arriving from *Caen* in *Normandy* tells us, the French are in those parts as well as others making great preparations for the next Summers service; having lately raised there two new Troops of Horse, one of 80, the other of 60 in a Troop, and are beating up Drums for Volunteers. Here are lately put in here three Barques from *St. Maloes*, a Privateer of *Ostend*, and a double shallop from *Diepe* bound for *Nauis*, One Flemish vessel of 400 Tuns, and two English ships intending for *Bourdeaux*.

Plymouth, Dec. 15. This day came into this Port 5 ships from the Eastwards, whereof two from the *Ile of Wight*, the other three Dutch and French vessels.

Advertisement.

Lost on Wednesday last a young Hound, being a white Dog, with a Mark on the midst of his side like the Figure of 8. and on the other side, one black spot, having black on his Rump, and a Cross on his near Shoulder: whosoever shall bring word of him to the Back-stairs in Whitehall, shall be well rewarded for his pains.