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Minehead, January 3.

THe First Instant, arriv'd here a small vessel of *Bilboa*, laden with Fruit from *Malaga*, which touch'd in her way at *Lisbonne*, from whence she sail'd without company, and with much danger and difficulty, by reason of the violence of the weather, entred the mouth of this Harbor. The Master gives us an account of very great wrecks which have lately happened on the Coasts of *Spain*.

Harwich, Jan. 7. The 4th Instant, a considerable Fleet of laden Colliers appear'd in *Hoafely Bay*, intending to have pursued their intentions for any fresh Letters from the *Levant*, Several private Letters from *Candia* of the same date with our last Pacquet confirme to us the News of the Visiers withdrawing the greatest part of his Army from the Siege; but yet he endeavours to make good his Post, in the ruins of the *Panigra*, and that he has lately received some fresh Succours; but the great rains make him despair of any further success during the Winter. In the mean while the Senate are careful to supply the City with a Succour of 10000 fresh Souldiers; and with an able Officer in the room of the Marquis *Ville*, who is thinking of returning speedily homewards.

Venice, Decemb. 31. The great storms and continual ill weather we have lately had in these seas have stopp'd all our Trade, and kept us from any fresh Letters from the *Levant*, Several private Letters from *Candia* of the same date with our last Pacquet confirme to us the News of the Visiers withdrawing the greatest part of his Army from the Siege; but yet he endeavours to make good his Post, in the ruins of the *Panigra*, and that he has lately received some fresh Succours; but the great rains make him despair of any further success during the Winter. In the mean while the Senate are careful to supply the City with a Succour of 10000 fresh Souldiers; and with an able Officer in the room of the Marquis *Ville*, who is thinking of returning speedily homewards.

The General of our forces there, requires a considerable supply of Canoniers, Labourers, and a plentiful provision of powder, and has ordered a new Line to be drawn within the Old Works, that if the Turks should (as they threaten) employ their whole force the next Summer, the Besieged may be able to defend each part of the Town to the utmost: and for the prevention of the loss of a place of so great importance to these parts of the Christian world, the Senate has order'd Seignior *Businello* now Resident in *Milan*, to pass into *Germany*, to sollicite the Princes of the Empire to contribute to their assistance. Intending also to nominate some other persons to be sent to *England* and *Holland* upon the same Account.

Bruges, Jan. 15. The French are frequently sending out their parties to fetch in Contribution, and sometimes make their appearance very near our Garrisons, interrupting our Boats, and endeavouring to spoil the Trade of this place, by prohibiting the Countrey from bringing in their Cloaths.

They talk also of raising a strong Cittadelle in the mid-way between this and *Ghent*, for the better securing their Contributions: about *Lillo*, *Tournay*, and several other Garrisons, they are proceeding vigorously to confiscate six months Rent, of the Lands of all such persons as live under the Spanish Government. At *Doway* their preparations are great for the next Summers service, and 'tis supposed they may fix their first design upon *Valencienne*.

Monsieur *Passage*, the French Governour of their New Conquests, with the Intendant and Governour of *Furnes*, hav. each of them demanded of the Castellano of *Furnes*

a large summe, amounting to 200l. Sterling to each of them.

The storms have been lately very violent upon our Coasts as well as in other parts, by which three considerable prizes taken by our privateers, were lately cast away in *Ostend-Road*, and two others near *Dunkirk*, besides many other ships, which have perisht upon several parts of these Coasts.

The News we have daily confirm'd to us of the safe arrival of the rich Spanish Fleet at *Cadix*, gives us small encouragement to our people, hoping from the receipt of pleasurable supplies for the defence of these Countreys.

We are here advertised that Prince *William* of *Furtemberg*, Bishop of *Strasbourg*, has Orders from *France* for the levying of 3000 Germans, and to give out Commissions to what Officers he pleases to command them, for which he has received a very considerable sum of Moneys, and for his encouragement to continue faithful to the French interest, has had an Abby conferred on him, to the yearly value of 18 thousand Liures.

Genoua, Dec. 20. A Courier passing by the last week from *Spain*, employed by the Cardinal *Visconti*, informs us, that the Court of *Spain* have had some disputes what place should be appointed for the Treaty with the Crown of *France*: some of the Council having nominated *St. Jean de Luz*, others *Rome*, but they at the last concluded to effect it *in situ* for the place wherein they desired the Negotiations might be entred upon.

Whitehall, Jan. 8. Our late Letters from *Portugal* bringing to us a Declaration issued out by the Infante, the next day after his Entry upon the Government of that Kingdom; it may not seem altogether impertinent to publish it at large: by which the reasons of the late Revolution in that Kingdom, may be the more easily collected; and in effect is as followeth.

THe Extremities and Dangers which threaten these Kingdomes, together with the repeated Applications made to me by very many of the Subjects, to find out some timely remedy to prevent them, (these Persons being also the most considerable both in Experience and Quality, and highest concern'd and interested in the Preservation of their Countrey) Obliged me to take the easiest method to root out those Evils which so nearly threaten us: But this I found a task beyond my power. For since the day in which the King my Master was by some persons hurried away to *Alcantara*, and forced to take upon him the Government of his Kingdomes, they perswaded him, that my Mother and Mistris (now with God) with those Ministers on whom the King my Father and Master, and she most relyed kept him from the Government, and intended to take from him his Crown, if his Majesty did not entrust other persons, besides her and her Creatures, which they purposely did, to keep him from the knowledge of their Dangerous Machinations, and that none might by their liberty of speech ruin their Credits with the King, proceeding farther to her shameful imprisonment, where they cruelly killed the Queen.