

*Venice, Jan. 30.* We are informed from *Constantinople* of the parting of 40 Gallies with Janisaries from thence, but we do not yet hear that they are come out of the *Dardanelles*. The remaining part of the 25000 Janisaries give out, that they are suddenly, one party of them, to over-run and spoyl the Kingdom of *Candia*; another party to fall upon other parts of our Dominions.

By the same Letters we are informed, that the Divan will send a more numerous Army to fall upon *Corfu*, but the Inhabitants fear not their assaults, being well provided against all Invasions, and the Fort impregnable, though very near the enemy, who much desire to be master of it.

This City is now upon the design of making a Bank of a Million and 500000 Duckats, with which they intend to provide 30 Vessels, to convoy Merchants, and make Repairs upon the Enemy. To which end, divers of the Nobility and Merchants have already subscribed.

We have formerly given some accounts of the *Arabians* and *Jews* actions in *Arabia*; the more full relations we have it, runs thus.

In *Arabia Felix*, lies the Kingdom of *Elal*, in which is the populous City of *Aden*, full of Jewish Merchants, it lying near the Red Sea. In this City, we are informed, there is a Jew called *Giorobazon*, who by his powerful Oratory, hath in a few days reduced all the Citizens to his Devotion; who have slain their Bassa, and forced the Garrison to submit to them. In little time after, that party grew very numerous, and gave the absolute command of themselves to this *Giorobazon*, calling him their Prophet; who every day growing greater by the assistance of *Porti d'Uguffo* and *Lira*, drew presently after him all the *Arabians* of the Mountain *Azira* or *Cabuburra*. Since which time, growing more formidable, they marched to the Cape of *Zibil*, without resistance, taking the City of *Ziden*: By the same advice, we are told, that in little more than three months, with a very vast Army they pass the Cape of *Zibil* into *Arabia Petraea*, and were possessors of the City of *Medina*, and afterwards of *Mecca*; from whence they wrote to all the Jews of *Jadmea* and *Syria*, to prepare for their reception, and that they were resolved in a short space to free them from their slavery to the Turk.

*Southwold, Feb. 22.* This morning we saw a Squadron of Ships East off of this Town, plying to the Southward, and in a short time after were out of sight this Evening. A Vessel of this Town came out of *Yarmouth Roads*, the Master saith, he saw above Twenty Sail standing to the Northward, but they were so far off, that neither our Townsmen, nor the Master of the Vessel, could discover what they were. He reports further, That 40 or 50 Sail of Colliers, with the Convoys, in a thick, wayed Anchor, and are gone to the Northward.

*Vienna, Feb. 12.* The Count d'Arach is returned from Spain; as soon as he alighted, he was sent for by the Emperor, who seemed very well pleased with the Relations the Count gave him, and in particular, with that part that concerned his Imperial Spouse, who is to part from Spain about the 24 of March.

Count Lesly, by a Courier, informs the Court from *Adrianople*, of his departure from *Constantinople* with a guard, That he received great Testimonies of Kindness and Courtesy from the Turks; and such Honors, as never yet were given to any other Ambassador. On the contrary, the French Ambassadors have had but little satisfaction, being treated by the Grand Seignor: at the first Audience but coldly, and had onely eight Vests, and those very ordinary ones.

We are advised from *Constantinople*, that the Military preparations against the Republick of *Venice* are much hastned, the Chiaules being dispatcht into all places, in order to bring their forces together the beginning of March.

The Grand Visier intends in person to march with the Army; to give life and force to their designs, and to make what impression is possible upon the Kingdom of *Candia*.

*Zealand, Feb. 22.* The Deputies of this Province of *Zealand* reflecting upon the great liberty the Papists have taken since the hostile invasion of the Bishop of *Munster*, have thought it requisite to take care to have order sent to all the

other Provinces, that the Statutes against them formerly made be put in execution, and that all priviledges granted to Monks and Priests be recalled.

At the same time we are told by *Bevering*, that the Emperor hath sent to all the Electors and Princes of the Empire, to know their respective complaints and grievances against this State, by which we Ominate ill to our selves from that Court and the Empire.

*Yarmouth, Feb. 23.* Yesterday we discried between *Cromer* and *Winterton*, 14 Men of War, and 2 Gallions, which we suppose may be Sir *Christopher Minnes* Squadron. There is here delivered out of the *Charity*, a Prize, 514 Cask of Sugar, which come out very well conditioned; the day of sale will be on Thursday come sevennight.

There hath not one died here of the Plague these ten days.

*Hague, Feb. 23.* It hath been observed that several Engineers have been known to pass disguised through our Frontier Towns to make observation of the strength of our Garrisons. *Beuningen* writes from *Paris*, that he shall suddenly know the time when the French Kings ships will be ready, who promise all diligence in setting out to Sea, to be there before the English.

*Marseilles, Feb. 19.* The 6 Dutch, with the *Merlin*, and a Ketch arrived here two daies since from *Cadix*, bringing with them 2 prizes: They are strangely alarmed here upon the news of the English Fleet, and use all possible industry to fit out their Fleet, which they pretend shall be very considerable. They have ordered 10 Gallies to pass forthwith to *Tholon*, to lye in the mouth of the Harbor, to prevent the attempts of the English Fleet.

The French King contrary to former practices, hath ordered an Impres of Seamen to be made in all these parts, finding that without it, he shall not be able to man his Fleet, the Seamen generally declining the service.

*Rochel, Febr. 9.* The ten ships that were intended from this West Coast to the English Plantations in *America*, are near ready to sail, being already Tallowing, and its said here, there are five Dutch to joyn with them, and so to pass in company together upon that design.

*Newcastle, Febr. 20.* Yesterday came into this Harbor ten Sail of small Coasters, most of them to load with Salt, we every day expect the great Fleet of light Colliers, which we think to be near the Bay of *Burlington*, expecting a fair wind.

*Yarmouth, Febr. 21.* This day were seen off of *Liestoff* fifteen great Ships, judged to be the Squadron under Sir *Chr. Minns*; they pass by the back of our Sails to the Northward. A Vessel came in this day along the Coast from *London*, which makes us suppose the Coast is clear that way; this day also arrived two Sloops, and a Billander from *Ostend*.

*Wymouth, Febr. 21.* In the Evening there were thirty Sail of Ships descried to be about three leagues distant from the Westside off the Isle of *Portland*, what they were we cannot learn, they passed along to the Westward, without any stay; its supposed they are a Fleet of our own Merchants ourward bound.

*Harwich, Febr. 22.* Yesterday morning sailed to the Northward about forty Vessels, great and small. The last night and this morning we descried about a dozen more, all Northward bound. A French Hoy, with about thirty men, has forced two trading Vessels into us, she is now near the *Naze*, attempting a Merchant Ship, but she having six Guns, makes the French-man stand off; however there are two Ketches under brisk wind, with four Guns apiece, well mann'd, gone hence to relieve her.

*Falmouth, Febr. 17.* The fifteenth instant passed by this Harbor fourteen Sail of Merchants, with a Convoy from *Plymouth*; three more went to them out of this Harbor; some bound for *Tangier*, and some for the *Streights*.

*Whitehal, Feb. 24.* Yesterday His Excellency the Earl of *Sandwich*, His Majesties Ambassador Extraordinary to the King of *Spain*, having taken leave of His Majesty, set forward hence towards *Portsmouth*, where he is, in few days, to embark with his Train for *Spain*.