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Legisurue, Dec. 5.

The 2d instant arrived here the *Dolphin*, Captain *Alkin* from *Newfoundland*; and this morning the *Upton Gayley*, Captain *Martell* from *London*. We hear that the French are Careening their Men of War at *Toulon*, in order to go to Sea in the Spring.

*Turin, Dec. 5.* The Pope has given the Duke of *Savoy* leave to raise a Subsidy upon the Clergy of his Dominions, towards the Expences of the War, and the Chief of them are to meet by his Royal Highness's Order to regulate the same. There are 6000 Germans quartered in the Duchy of *Monterrat*, and the Contributions of the Inhabitants for their subsistence are paid partly in Money, and partly in Forage and Provisions. The Citadel of *Casal* is not yet quite demolished, in which work 3000 men are employed at the charge of the French.

*Venice, Dec. 10.* The Ambassadors of this Republick intend to set out for *England* in the beginning of the next month. The Senate have resolved to reinforce both their Fleet and Army against the next Summer, and the Preparations for that purpose are made with great diligence. A Vessel is arrived here from *Constantinople*, whence she parted the 10th of the last month, and brings Advice, That the Sultan was come to that place with the whole Ottoman Court; but that the Grand Vicer remained still at *Sophia* to give Orders about disposing the Troops in their Winter-quarters, and making the needful Preparations for the next Campaign; And that Chiaufes were dispatched to all the Provinces of the Turkish Empire to make new Levies of Men.

*Vienna, Dec. 10.* The Elector of *Saxony* intends to return the next week to *Dresden*; He raises 6000 Men to reinforce his Troops in *Hungary*; and the Emperor is treating with several Princes of *Germany* about taking some of their Forces into his Service against the next Campaign. *P. Lewis* of *Baden* is expected here presently after *Christmas*; He has given the Emperor an account of his having adjusted Matters with the Circles of *Franconia*, *Suabia*, and the *Upper Rhine*, with relation to the Troops and Provisions they are to furnish for the next year. General *Caprara* has, on account of his Age, desired to be excused from going any more with the Army into the Field, which is believed will be granted. New Levies are made in these Parts for the Service of the Venetians; and the Ambassador of that Republick endeavours to procure some old German Regiments to be sent to their Army in the *Morea*. They write from *Hungary*, That a Party of 1500 Turks had burnt the Town of *Hazecke*, but were repulsed in their attack upon the Castle with the loss of 100 men.

*Hamburg, Dec. 16.* The Princess of *Gustraw*, who is Married to the Prince Royal of *Denmark*, arrived the 11th instant at *Jagersburgh*, having been received at some distance from thence by the Prince; And on the 15th they would make their publick Entrance into *Copenhagen*, for which great and magnificent Preparations were making in the mean time.

*Frankfort, Dec. 18.* The Forces on this side continue quiet in their Winter quarters; Prince *Lewis* of *Baden* in-

tends to go to *Vienna* to Concert Matters with that Court for the next Campaign; and during his absence, the Troops of the Allies quartered near the *Rhine* are to be Commanded by Duke *Charles* of *Wirtemberg*.

*Paris, Dec. 19.* The Marechal de *Catinat* has since his arrival from *Piedmont* had several Conferences with the Ministers of this Court about the management of the War on that side; and 'tis said he will stay here about 6 weeks longer. They happen here all they can the Preparations for the Campaign in *Flanders*, which they pretend to begin very early. The Fleet is fitting out at *Toulon*, and the Discourse is, that they will endeavour to repass the *Streights* in the Spring; The French King has lately made several new Officers of the Gallies, to wit, 2 Commanders of Squadrons, 3 Captains, and 10 Lieutenants. The Marquis de *Nesmond* is fitting out a Squadron of 6 Men of War, each of 50 Guns and upwards, with a Fireship and another Vessel, tho' 'tis thought he will not go out with them himself; the design they are to be employed upon is kept secret. We are told that a Vessel is come to *Brest* from Monsieur de *Genes*, and brings an account, that he arrived the 25th of *July* near *Cape de Verd*, with 3 Frigats, and 2 other Ships, and entering into the River of *Gambes*, attackt and made himself Master of the Fort belonging to the English, which he afterwards demolished, and then proceeded towards the Coasts of *Guinea*. Two French Men of War are returned to *Toulon* from *Argiers*, with 7 Vessels laden with Corn; And 4 Merchant Ships arrived there about the same time from the *Levant*, one whereof in going in run upon the Rocks and was lost. The Marechal de *Lorge* returned hither some days ago from the *VVaters* at *Bichi* in *Burgundy*. A new Order has been lately published, by which all Persons who by the French King's Edict are made liable to the Poll Tax, and yet have by omission been left out of the Rolls of Assessment, are Commanded within 15 days to give in their Names, in this City to the Provost of the Merchants, and in the Provinces to the Intendants or their Deputies, together with the Names of their Children and Servants, and an account of their Conditions and Estates, in order to be Taxed, upon pain of paying double when discovered, besides the other Penalties mentioned in the said Edict.

*Brussels, Dec. 21.* The Marechal de *Boufflers* after having visited the French Frontier Garisons, returned the last week to *Lille*; The Enemy have augmented their Troops that guard their Line in *Flanders*, and several Regiments are come from the Midland Provinces of *France* and their Sea Coasts, and have taken their Quarters in *Champagne* and *Picardy*, that they may be ready at hand for the Service of the next Campaign. The French King has given out Commissions for 30 new Regiments to be formed of the Battalions that are to be drawn out of the old Regiments now in Garisons, and in their place others are to be raised; but the new Levies go on very slowly, the Officers not being able to get Men notwithstanding all the violent Methods they make use of for that purpose. They are making Baraques at *Namur* for the Soldiers of that Garison, which consists of 14 or 15000 men.

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