

The Pope, Nuncio residing in this Court, has by Order from His Holiness, at large, represented to His Imperial Majesty, the great dangers which threaten the Christian part of Europe, if the Ottoman power should prevail over the Venetians so far as to make themselves Masters of the Kingdom of Candia, which is like to run a great hazard, if not timely and strongly assisted by the rest of the Christian Princes and States, vigorously pressing the Emperour to take the weightiness of that important affair into his consideration, and not only to assist them himself, but be instrumental in inviting other Princes to lend their hands to that great work.

The Nobility of the Upper Hungary have lately made Count Stephen Zaechy Governour of Cassovia, and administered to him the Oath of Fidelity to the Emperour, usually given on the like occasions, and 'tis hoped, a little time may put an end to all the complaints of that Countrey; His Imperial Majesty having given the assurance of His readiness and willingness to comply with them in redressing all their just grievances.

Some hostilities are still passing upon the Frontiers: some few days since a party of the Hussars having intelligence of the motion of a Turkish Convoy, lay in ambush for them upon their march, and upon their appearance, fell in so lustily among them, that killing about 60 of the Turks upon the place, the rest consulting the safety of their own lives, quit their charge, which the Hussars seized, and returned without any farther encounter, with a great booty to their houses.

Intelligence being brought to Count Zaechy, that the Count Lunai, whose Estate and Command lies upon the frontiers of Transylvania; had contrary to Law, taken into his pay about 600, or as others say, 800 Horse, whom he had caused to be well armed and exercised, which gave no small apprehension to the Neighbouring parts; he immediately drew together a party of some hundreds of his Hussars, and fell so suddenly and unexpectedly upon their whole party, that after a stout defence, in which many of Count Lunai's people were killed, they were wholly broken and dispersed, Count Zaechy returning from his victory with many prisoners and a great drove of Cattle.

Brussels, Jan. 29. This Town is daily more and more filled with Nobility and Gentry as well as other people returning out of the Country to their ancient habitations, being now wholly freed from any farther danger of the Plague. The Constable of Castile has for some time, by reason of his indisposition and the Coldness of the season, kept himself retired, but is now again at leisure, and every day spends some time in giving publick Audiences.

On Wednesday last arrived here a Courier extraordinary from Spain, bringing with him Orders for the return of a considerable summe of Moneys towards the supply of the necessities of these Provinces, and to make all convenient preparations for the defence of them.

The French have drawn a great part of their forces out of the Garisons of Lille, Tournay, Courtray, Douays and other parts, which are marched to the place of Rendezvous appointed for them at Laon in Champagne. They are also fitting up great store of Arms of all sorts, whereof some considerable quantities are already sent away from Lille.

This morning the Prince de Chimay intends to leave this place and to repair to his Government of Luxemburg, with Monsieur de Luvigny one of our General Officers, to take care for the defence of that Province upon any occasion which may happen; and this week may depart hence the 200 Reformed Officers which are made choice of to be sent into Burgundy.

Care is now taking for augmenting the number of our Cavalry, and recruiting the Troops already on foot, as also for the raising of some new Companies of Dragoons, and filling up the old Regiments of Foot.

On Friday last the Prince de Ligne dispatched hence the Master of his Horse to the Court of Spain, to sollicite for his succession to the Government of Milan in the room of the lately deceased Marquis de Mortara.

Bruges, Jan. 30. This day we are informed of the ar-

ival of a body of the French, supposed to be about 7 or 8000 men, at Dunkirk and the parts adjacent, with what intentions we yet know not; but for our better security two Companies of Foot are this day sent hence to Placendale for the better strengthening of the place, and a supply of soldiers ordered to be sent from Ostend to Newport. The Guards of this place are also doubled, and care taken to break the Ice in the Moat round about this City.

Three nights since arrived at Ghent, Don Francisco de Melo, Ambassador from Portugal, who the next day went thence to Antwerp on his way for Holland.

Whitehall, Jan. 22. This day, in pursuance of the Statute of 28 Hen. 8. for Prising of Wines, His Majesty was pleased by the Advice of the Lords and others of his Privy Council, to order his Proclamation to be issued out; Publishing and Declaring, That for one whole year next following, to be accounted from the First Day of February next, Canary Wines, Allegant, and Muscadels, be not sold in Gross at above 24 Pounds the Butt or Pipe, and at 9d. the Pint by Retail; and that Sacks and Malaga's be not sold in Gross at above 22 Pounds the Butt, and 8d. the Pint by Retail; and that French Wines be not sold at above 23 Pounds the Tun, and 8d. the Quart by Retail; and that Rhenish Wines be not sold in Gross at above 6 Pounds the Aulme, and 12d. the Quart by Retail; and according to these proportions for greater or lesser quantities, either in Gross or by Retail; besides the Impositions laid on Wines, and which may be received by the late Act of Parliament in that behalf: Which Rates and Prices His Majesties Pleasure is, shall be duly observed in all his Ports and other Places within this Realm, where Wines are landed, and within 10 Miles of those Ports and Places. It being His Majesties Pleasure, That in those Places where Wines by Land-Carriage shall be conveyed more than 10 miles from the next Port, the several sorts of Wines aforesaid shall and may be sold according to the Rates aforesaid, with an allowance not exceeding 4 Pounds the Tun, and one Penny the Quart for the Carriage thereof upon Land every 30 Miles; and according to that proportion, and not at greater Rates: as by the Proclamation at large will more fully appear.

Whitehall, Jan. 24. Here is newly arrived Monsieur Verjus Envoye from the Prince and Princess of Portugal, with the News that the said Princess was on Twelfth Night last New Stile, safely delivered of a Daughter, to the great joy and satisfaction of that Court.

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The Officers of the Receipt of His Majesties Exchequer are now come to the payment of the 123 Order registered on the Act for 1250000l. and shall proceed to the payment of the next ensuing Orders in course, as the remaining money on that Act, and the remain of the First Month of the Eleven Months Taxe, shall be brought in.

Also the said Officers are come to the payment of the 210th Order in number registered on the Act for the Eleven Months Taxe; and so will proceed to the payment of the subsequent Orders on that Act, as the money shall come in.