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PRESENT

Their Excellencies the Lords-Justices in Council.

Whereas divers of His Majesty's Subjects who are attainted of High-Treason, or who have been in Rebellion against His Majesty, and other Dangerous and Disaffected Persons, have withdrawn themselves into France, and other Parts beyond the Seas. And whereas Information hath been given to this Board, that some Persons, being His Majesty's Subjects, have lately come out of France into this Kingdom without any Permission or Leave for the same, which if not prevented may endanger the Safety of His Majesty's Royal Person, and disturb the Peace of this Kingdom. Their Excellencies the Lords-Justices in Council, taking the same into Consideration, have thought fit to order, that all Mayors, Justices of the Peace, and other Magistrates and Officers whom it may concern, in or near the respective Parts of this Kingdom, do take care and give such necessary Directions, that all Persons, being His Majesty's Subjects, who shall come out of France into this Kingdom, without having a Pass from His Majesty, be apprehended and secured in safe Custody, together with their Papers, they are Examined; In order to which the said Magistrates are to give notice from time to time, to One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, of all Persons so apprehended, that such further Directions may be given concerning them as shall be requisite. And to the intent all Persons concerned may take due notice hereof, Their Excellencies have thought fit to Direct, that this Order be heard, and also Published in the Gazette.

JOHN POVEY.

Their Excellencies the Lords-Justices having received Information in Council, that there was Printed and Published in a Paper, Entituled, The Post-Man, Seditious News, with False and Scandalous Reflections upon some Persons of the greatest Quality in the Court of France, the Printer and Publisher of the said Paper were Examined in Council, and their Excellencies thereupon thought fit to order, that they should be committed to the Custody of a Messenger, and prosecuted according to Law for the said Offence.

Paris, Oct. 25. The Senate received the last week Letters from the Captain-General, dated the 14th of the Month at *Napoli di Romania*, wherein he gives an account, that the Turks having formed a design to attack *Moravia*, the Seraskier of *Negrepoint* marched about the 10th of August with 7000 Foot and 3000 Horse towards the Mountains of *Corinth*, and at the same time the Captain-General approached towards that Coast with the Turkish Fleet, to countenance this design; The Venetian Captain-General having received advice hereof, sailed with the Fleet under his command, to observe their motions; and on the 14th instant he had fight of the Enemies Fleet near *Andros*; They engaged the same day, and the Fight lasted about 4 hours, when the Turkish Fleet bore away, several of their Ships were much shattered, and particularly that on board of which was the Captain-Bassa, who was himself wounded by a Musket Shot, and they lost about 2000 Men, as was afterwards reported by some Prisoners; On the side of the Venetians the loss would have been considerable, had not the Ship called the *St. Sebastian* some hours after the Fight was ended, unfortunately blown up, by what accident is not known, and most of the Men destroyed, there being besides the Captain, the greatest part of a Regiment of Foot on board. At Land the Venetian and Turkish Forces lay for several days very near each other, and some Skirmishes happened, though none of consequence; But on the 10th of September the Turks decamped, and marched back to *Thebes*. Two days ago arrived here a Vessel from *Napoli di Romania*, whence she departed the first of this month, and brings in account, that the two Fleets before-mentioned met again on the 18th of the last month, and Cannonaded each other several hours, till the night parted them. The Venetian Gallies seeing no further likelihood of any Acti-

on, left the Venetian Fleet about the end of the last month, and are returning home. The new Captain-General is embarked, and intends to sail to-morrow with a great Convey for the *Moravia*.

*Cracow*, Oct. 18. The King of Poland continues still here, expecting his Forces which are on their march from *Hungary*; Several Deputies arrived here two days ago from the Army which is posted near *Lembergh*, to repeat the Assurances of their Fidelity to his Majesty, and of their readiness to march against his Enemies, whenever he shall please to command them; The King received them very kindly, and told them, that his Affairs are in so good a condition, and the Endeavours of his Enemies hitherto so unsuccessful, that he did not believe there would be any occasion to remove them from the Frontiers, where they are so necessary to observe the Tatars, especially at this time when a considerable Body of them are drawn together near *Caminiec*. The King is sending Ambassadors to the Emperor and other Princes; and 'tis discoursed, that Endeavours are using, with good appearance of success, to bring Prince *Sapieha*, and some other considerable Men of his Party, over to his Majesty's Interests.

*Warsaw*, Oct. 26. The Summons sent out by the Primate for the Gentlemen of his Party to meet on the 10th of this month, has not had the Effect he expected; For not above 12 or 1300 met together at *Lenitz*, the Rendezvous in *Lower-Poland*; with part of these (the rest thinking it much more prudent to return home again) the Primate repaired to this place on the 16th Instant, where they held a Council, and resolved; That the Prince of *Conti* should be again proclaimed King of Poland, and Protector of their Liberties; That a Deputation be sent to him, to adjust the *Pacta Conventa*; That Deputies be likewise sent to the Most Christian King; That Commissioners be appointed to examine and pay the Arrears of the Army, towards which the Prince of *Conti* will give a Million; That the Prince of *Conti* might summon in the Gentry or *Pospolite*, so soon as he has sworn to observe the *Pacta Conventa*; and that the *Rokotz* or Confederacy should continue till the Affairs of the Kingdom were quietly settled; 'Twas moved at this meeting, that the Triumphal Arches erected here in Honour to the Elector of *Saxony* as King of Poland, should be pulled down, but they came to no Resolution therein; The Assembly being broke up, the Primate proclaimed the Prince of *Conti*, and Sung *Te Deum*; and then returned to his Castle at *Lowitz*. The King of Poland has caused a Declaration to be published, giving notice to all his Subjects of his having been Crowned at *Cracow*, and commanding them to be in a readiness to appear in Arms, upon the first Summons he shall send out for that purpose; and this Declaration was brought hither the 15th of the last month by the Palatin of *Plesko*, and affixed in the most publick places of this City. The Saxon Forces commanded by General *Fleming* and General *Brandt* march towards *Prussia*.

*Dantzick*, Nov. 30. The *Sieur du Bart's* Squadron lies still in our Road, he has been several times in this City, and the Magistrates have given him leave to furnish himself here with what Provisions he wants. The Prince of *Conti* comes often ashore, and confers at the Monastery of *Oltwa* with the Gentlemen sent to him from Poland; and 'tis this day reported, that he has taken his leave of several of them, intending to depart from hence in few days, unless he receive a better Account of things from Poland. The Saxon Forces have passed *Thorne* in their march this way.

*Vienna*, Oct. 26. We are every day expecting an account of the Expedition to *Bosnia*; The Forces employed in it rendezvoused at *Bred*, and were there reviewed by Prince *Eugene of Savoy*; The rest of the Army are gone to Quarters. The Emperor has, at the desire of the King of Poland, not only consented that the Saxon Forces in *Hungary*, shall march to Poland, but has likewise ordered three Regiments of Imperial Dragoons to march thither immediately, and to obey such Orders as they shall receive from his Majesty or his Generals.

*Cologne*, Nov. 5. The Forces on the *Upper-Rhine* are marched to their Quarters. The Deputies of the Circle of *Westphalia* are to meet here the next week, to agree on the number of Troops they are to maintain in the time of Peace.

Paris.