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Minchhead, Feb. 5.

Here are lately come into this Port the *Samaritan*, *Fortune*, and several other small ships from *Ireland*, informing us, that the *Thomas* and the *John*, two Barks which went out from hence the 2d of *January* last with several Passengers bound for that Kingdom, slenderly victualled, were by force of ill weather carried off to sea into the Bay of *Biscay*; where their provisions failing, and being refused a charitable supply by a French ship which passed by them, they were reduced to great wants, and had undoubtedly perished, had not a Dutch Merchant ship accidentally coming by, supplied them with an Hogshead of Wine, another of Water, and some Bread, in the strength whereof they after 15 or 16 days beating it out at Sea, happily at last arrived at their Port at *Yonghall*.

Bristol, Feb. 6. This Week in the late stormy weather a small Scottish ship coming up the Channel, and in much danger to be cast away, the Master and Company be took themselves to their Boat, which tis believed is since cast away, and all the persons in it lost. The Vessel struck afterwards on ground, whose Goods are since preserved, with one Boy, who was left on board her.

Vienna, Jan. 27 The Prince of *Lorrain* having strongly recommended to His Imperial Majesties guidance and assistance, his Pretensions to the Crown of *Poland*; is again returned to the Borders of that Kingdom; intending to continue in the Neighbouring Parts of *Silisia*, that he may not by his too great distance be wanting to the encouragement of his Party. Prince *Leopold* of *Baden* has accepted of the Government of *Warralin* in *Schlavia*, but tis believed will be easily induced to give up his Command of the Regiment and Company of Archers of the Emperours Guard, which may be conferred upon Prince *de St. Gregory*, Son in Law to the Marquis *de Castel Rodrigo*, late Governour of the Spanish Netherlands.

We are in daily expectation of an Envoye from the *Upper Hungary*, with Complaints of several IncurSIONs lately made upon them to their great detriment.

On Wednesday last arrived here the Prince *de Furstemberg* Great Chamberlain of the Household to the Duke of *Bavaria*, to sollicite the Emperour in his Masters Name to interpose in the pacifying of several Disputes and Differences between the said Duke and the Prince *Maximil* and his Brother, which is like to be committed also to the Judgment of the College of Electors.

The Emperour being informed, That a private Woman of this City, was well delivered of 5 Children at a Birth, and all living, was pleased for the rarity of the thing to be their Godfather.

The Empress and the late born Princess her Daughter, have been lately much in dispoled, but to the great joy of the Court, are again restored to a perfect health; but the younger Arch-Duchess of *Inspruck* after some dayes violent distemper, is deceased.

The 25th instant returned hither the *Sieur Hoffmuth*, Secretary to the Council of War, and has given His Imperial Majesty an account of the state of all Affairs of Concernment in the Kingdom of *Hungary*, and particularly of the effect of his Negotiation with the Bassa at *Buda*. The Turks still continue to press the Hungarians to a submission and homage. Prince *Abassi* has summoned together the

States of *Transylvania*, but the greatest matter which is like to be offered to their consideration, is a Method of Raising money for him for the payment of the arrears of Tribute due from him to the Turkish Emperour.

Some dayes since arrived here four Deputies, sent hither with a great Train and rich Liveries from the Archbishop of *Saxembourg*, to receive the Solemn Investiture of the Fiefs, which are by that Prelate held from the Empire.

Upon consideration of the Troubles which seem to threaten the *Upper Hungary*, the Regiments of Foot belonging to the Prince *de St. Gregory* and the Baron *de Testi* are ordered to march thither, with one Regiment of Horse and another of Dragoons. The Commality of that Countrey, which were formerly suspected to have had some inclinations to close with the Turks, have given His Imperial Majesty full assurance of their firm resolution to continue constant in their Obedience to Him, and to reject any Propositions how fair and promising so ever, which shall be thrown out to tempt them from their duty.

Rome, Jan. 29. On Sunday the 13th instant the Count *de St. Segundo* Ambassadour Extraordinary from the Duke of *Parma*, came with a great Train to his Publick Audience, and in a Latine Speech delivered his Embassy of Obedience, and was afterwards with many Persons of Honour of his Train, admitted to kiss His Holinesses Foot.

The next day was held a Private Consistory, wherein were proposed several Vacant Bishopricks by their respective Cardinal Protectors; which ended, the Pope the same day disposed of the several Offices of the Consistory for the year ensuing.

Here is lately departed this life Segnior *Leone Alatio*, the Keeper of the *Vatican* Library, but as yet his Employment is not disposed of.

The Pope is still intent upon the relief of *Candia*, and has already given Order to his Nephew Don *Vincenzo Bayly Rospigliosi* to order the speedy fitting up his Gallies for that service.

Dantzic, Jan. 29. The Primate having as he intended, given Audience to the Envoye from *Tartary*, received from him a Letter from the Sultan *Galga*, giving him an account that he intended to enter upon the possession of all *Ukrania* by right of Conquest, upon the late happy success of his Arms; and in order thereto, was resolved to send thither one hundred thousand men to take up their Winter Quarters; he farther solicited the Crown of *Poland* approbation of the Cossacks late election of one *Suchowitz* for their General in the room of their old Commander *Dorosensko*, and at last, put them in mind of the promise formerly made to send him some Present, but as yet, nothing is resolv'd on to be returned by way of answer.

The Heer *Gasiowky* sent some time since from *Poland* as Ambassador to the Court of *Muscovy*, has by his Letters signify'd his safe arrival, but that the Czar would not admit him to his Audience, till he had first sent him the Letters which were directed by him; that he was afterwards admitted to his Audience in presence of the Senators, who were placed on each hand of the Great Duke, and was since treated with much kindness and respect, and publickly feasted in the Palace.

Venice, Feb. 2. We are with much impatience expecting the arrival of some vessel from *Candia*, with a certain account of the condition of that place, of which we have yet good hopes since by the way of *Legorn* we are told, that

though the Turks, encouraged by their frequent supplies, continue still their posts before the Town, yet are not the besieged under any discouragement, but by their frequent Mines and courageous Sallies, give daily Testimonies of their valour and courage to the Enemy; and that nothing may be wanting on the Senates part, which may be done for the defence of that important place, they are with extraordinary care and zeal hastning out a Convoy, for which they have hired 6 stout Merchantships which lately arrived here, to which are to be joynd four others, which lie ready laden and fit to put to sea, with several Gallies for the same employment; the whole Convoy to be commanded by Seignior *Juanne Morosini*, lately returned from the Armata; besides a considerable number of men, and large quantities of all sorts of Provisions and Ammunition, is to be sent the sum of 20,000 pieces of 8 for the payment of the Soldiers.

By a vessel from *Zante* we are told, that the Vissers Army having been much diminished both by the Sword and the Diseases occasioned by his winter Siege, has earnestly importun'd the Grand Seignior at *Larissa* for a strong recruit, upon whose arrival he promises extraordinary success, and for his present necessity has sent out of his Camp about one thousand of his weakest and most useless Soldiers to *Canea*, where they are to be employed in Garrison, and given order to the *Bassa* to draw out the whole strength of that place, and to march them away for his assistance.

We are farther informed by the same way, that the Grand Seignior is still at *Larissa*, and upon the receipt of the Letters lately sent him by an Aga from the Vissers, has given out strict orders for the drawing together of great quantities of Provisions and numbers of men in *Macedonia*, *Gyrcia*, and all the parts about him; He lately received from *Constantinople* the news of the delivery of his Sultana of a Daughter, and has given order that she be attended to *Larissa*, where 'tis believed he designs a long continuance.

In the mean time, the City of *Constantinople* is full of complaints by reason of the long absence of the Court, the great Taxes and Levies made amongst them for the carrying on of the war in *Candia*, and the late great scarcity of all sorts of Provisions.

The ship called the *Madona del Carmine* arriving here in 32 days from *Constantinople*, the Captain informs, that near *Cape Spada*, off the Isle of *Candia*, he met with a squadron of 11 sail of our ships making up for *Candia*, having on board them 2500 Soldiers, a great part of them Germans, with many Pioneers and Labourers; the same Captain farther assuring us that the Vissers Army is not of that strength as they would seem to persuade us.

We are farther advised from *Morea*, that the Grand Seignior having commanded six thousand men to be drawn out of the neighbouring Towns, sent them away towards *Salonica*, where several Saichs and Gallies attended for their transportation to *Canea*; but before the Officers could get them aboard, they fell into a mutiny, in which, the greatest part of them left the service and made their escape.

The Senare is strongly providing for the defence of *Dalmatia*, which the Turks still continue to threaten with an invasion, and to raise moneys for the defraying of their vast expences, the Council and Senate have resolved to expose to sale 100 of those Offices which they were formerly wont freely to dispose of to persons of the greatest dignity, and worth, as well in this City, and the Isles belonging to the Republick, as in *Terra Firma*, with power to enjoy them for ever; and since all these Offices are not at present vacant, such persons as shall think fit to deposit their moneys for a Reversion, shall be secured of full interest for their moneys at 6 per Cent. till the said Offices shall become void, and be settled on them.

Brusse's, Feb. 13 Since the late disbanding of the Duke of *Lorrains* forces, by the negotiation of Monsieur de *Louvigny*, four of his Regiments have been contented to pass into the Spanish service in the County of *Burgundy*, and three others into *Luxemburg*.

The Prince de *Ligne* has obtained permission from the *Conseil* to be absent for three weeks from his Command,

to take the diversions of the Countrey with the Princess his wife, at his Castle near *Bergen in Henegau*.

From *Lille* we are told, that in pursuance of the Proclamation of the 20th of *October* last, by which, all persons having Lands within the jurisdiction of the French in any of the places depending on their late Conquests, were commanded within the space of two months to repair to their respective habitations, to acknowledge their obedience to His most Christian Majesty, and to quit whatsoever employment they held, whether Civil or Military, under any other Prince or Governour; on Saturday last they proceeded to publish in full Exchange in that City, the confiscation of the Estates of all such Nobles and others as had not by their appearance given obedience to their said Proclamation.

Upon the news of the arrival of 350 Spaniards at *Ostend* from the *Canaries*, after an hazardous passage by reason of much ill weather; Order was given for their march from thence to *Neuport*, where they are to continue for the reinforcement of that Garrison.

Hague, Feb. 14. The States of *Holland* are again assembled, and have taken into debate the Charter of the *West-Indy* Company.

The City of *Emblen* have exhibited several Complaints against the Danes for their great Exactions upon such of their ships as are found trading into *Norway*; desiring that they may be comprehended in the agreement for the due measuring of all ships trading into those parts, that for the future they may not be subject to the Arbitrary Impositions of the Danish Officers.

The States having advise that Monsieur de *Parpone* is upon his way hither under the Character of Ambassador from His Most Christian Majesty, and may be in little time expected with his Lady at *Antwerp*; have upon his desire given Order to the Admiralty of *Rotterdam* to send a Yacht thither to attend for his transportation; 'tis supposed he may arrive at *Antwerp* the 20th instant.

Don Francisco de Mele the Portugal Ambassador, is preparing for his publick Entry and Audience, in which he is to be received with the same Ceremony and Respect, as has been used to the Ambassador from the same Kingdom at *Madrid*.

From *Zealand* we are told, that ten Companies of Foot being marched out of the Garrisons of *Husbing* and *Terveer*, and arrived at *Browersbaven*, the Town of *Ziricksee* grown jealous of their intentions, and unwilling to receive a Garrison, drew into Arms and secured their Ports, but by the interposition of some of the Deputies of *Middlebourg* within the Town, all differences between the States of *Zealand* and that place are in a fair way of reconciliation.

Yarmouth, Febr. 8. This day came from the Northwards about 30 sail of ships, whereof 12 being to the Southwards of this place bent their course over Sea, the rest coming to an Anchor in *Corton Bay*. Here are now at Anchor in these Roads about twelve sail, two of them of this place, bound for *Lisbonne*; one for *Gallipolis*, and the rest light ships for the Northwards.

Advertisement.

There is lately published a Book called *Cicero's Prince*, The Reasons and Counsels for Settlement and good Government of a Kingdome; collected out of *Cicero's* Works, by T. R. Esquire. Printed at *London* for S. Mearne Book-Binder to the Kings Most Excellent Majesty, and are to be sold at his House in *Little Britain*.