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Lyme February 13.

THe 11th instant arrived here the *Merchants Adventure* of this place, laden with Linnen, &c. from *Morlaix*; at her departure thence, which was the 8th instant, the Drums were beating up there for Seamen and Soldiers to go on board some of the Men of War which are fitting up at *Brest*; three Men of War and as many Fire-ships being to be suddenly dispatcht thence for *Toulon*, where Monsieur de *Beaufort* will be ready to expect their arrival.

A Vessel of *Weymouth* which came out in her company from *Morlaix*, endeavoring to make for her Port, was by ill weather thrown upon the Beach of *Portland*.

Madrid, Jan. 25. We are here with some impatiency expecting the Resolution of Don *Juan* upon the last Letter sent to him to signify the pleasure of the Queen Regent. 'Tis said those of *Barcelona* have made him Vicar General of their Countrey. Her Majesty has ordered 3000 Horse which were quartered about *Badajoz* to march towards this place, and some Companies of Foot are raising for a Guard to their Majesties and the Council. We are not without some apprehensions of the intentions of the French forces which are drawing towards the Frontiers of *Spain*; but the Marquis de *Villars* Envoye Extraordinary from the Court of *France*, endeavors to assure us they have no other design, then by their march into *Roussillon* to put a check upon the insurrection of some People within the French Jurisdiction; who are too much inclined to oppose the payment of their Gabels.

Rome, Feb. 2. The Pope has spent much of his time for several dayes together, in giving Audiences publicly and privately to Ambassadors, and other publick Ministers.

The Count di *Santo Segundo*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the Duke of *Milan*, having finisht the Ceremonies of his Ambassy of Obedience, on Tuesday last in the Afternoon went in much state, and a large Train to the Palace of *Campidoglio*, where in the name of his Masters, as being a Roman Baron, he complimented the Lords Conservators, and the Roman Senate. He has since ended his Visits to the Sacred Colledge, and is expecting the returns of his Compliments; as are also the three Ambassadors from the Roman Catholic Switze Cantons, on whom the Pope on Sunday last conferred the honour of Creating them Knights of *Christ*, with the accustomed Ceremonies.

Here is lately arrived a Courier sent express from the Imperial Court at *Vienna*, with Letters to the Cardinal Landgrave, informing him of the happy delivery of the Empress of a Daughter, which news has been entertained here by the Cardinals, Ambassadors, Princes, and other persons well affected to the Imperial Family, with Bonfires, Lights, and other marks of joy usually shown upon the like occasions.

The Popes Nephew Don *Vincenzo Rospigliosi* has been lately at *Civita Vecchia*, where he took a view of the Ecclesiastical Gallies, and the stores belonging to them; and gave Orders for the re-fitting them with all convenient diligence for the assistance of the Republick of *Venice*. Several Companies of the late raised Foot are disposed of into Quarters in this City, which as soon as the Carnival shall end, will be order'd to march to *Civita Vecchia*, there to Embark themselves on board the said Gallies.

Frankfort, Feb. 10. The Envoy sent lately from the States General of the *United Provinces*, with their offers of

interposing as Mediators between his Electoral Highness the Prince *Palatine* of the *Rhine*, and the Duke of *Lorraine*, is returned from *Manheim*, the said Elector thinking it not necessary to give them that trouble; the differences between them being already in a fair way of composition in the Assembly at *Croon-Wissembourg*. 'Tis said, the Duke of *Lorraine* had upon the dismissal of his Forces offer'd their service to the States of the Empire, upon condition they would undertake his Protection and Defence; but they waving it, fearing least it might unhappily engage them in some disputes with *France*, most of the said Forces have since entred themselves in the Spanish service.

The point of security of the common Interest of the Empire, which has been some time under debate with the proportion of Men and Armes, to be charged upon all parts of the Empire, is not yet concluded, greater difficulties having risen thereupon then could at the first proposal be easily foreseen.

Hambourgh, Feb. 12. The Magistrates of this City having taken into their consideration the late decayes of several Families, which they judge principally to arise from the Luxury and unnecessary Expences in which the whole City is too much involved; are resolving to make a Regulation for prevention thereof for the future, and to impose several Penalties upon such as shall break the Rules prescribed them.

The Count de *Gulienlen* is raising a Regiment about these parts for the service of His Most Christian Majesty.

From *Lorraine* we are told, that about 4000 of that Dukes lately disbanded Forces have passed by *Audernach*, and 'tis believed will find entertainment under the Bishop of *Munster*, who privately continues his levies, and has received considerable sums of Money, to the no little jealousy of his Neighbors.

From *Danemark* we are told, that the Court is retired for its diversion into the Countrey, to an House of Pleasure ten leagues from *Copenhagen*; but as yet the Heer *Gorwitz* is not yet departed thence on his Embassy to the Duke of *Saxony*.

From *Poland* they write, that King *Casimir* is gone towards the Frontiers of *Russia* for the religious performance of a Vow made by him to the Image of the Holy Lady of *Sokal*; where 'tis believed he may confer with the General of the Polish Army, and endeavor to incline the Tartars and Cossacks to favour that interest to which he seems most inclined in the ensuing Election.

From *Stetin* we are told, that there has happened a great fire in that City, but the particulars of the loss, which is very considerable, is not said.

Wesel, Feb. 15. The Bishop of *Munster* has caused a view to be taken of all his Magazines, which he has taken care to have well furnisht with all things convenient for an Army: He has order'd all his Companies to be filled up, and privately disposed of his new raised men into his Garrisons, so that 'tis believed in few dayes he will have in readines between 7 and 8000 men of his own Subjects.

Paris, Feb. 22. The Pope having remonstrated to His Most Christian Majesty the readines of the Spaniards to contribute a considerable assistance to the Republick of *Venice*, on condition they might be secured that no attempts might be made upon them in the mean time by the French upon any pretext; His Majesty has been pleased in compliance with the Popes desires, and that he might not be wanting to the Common Cause of all the Christian part of the World, to declare, That he will not set any thing in order