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Leghorne, Nov. 24. N. S.

THE Weymouth Man of War, Captain Thomas Poulden Commander, and the Sorlingues, commanded by Capt. Worrill, arrived here on the 20th Instant, being Convoy to several English Merchant-ships from Newfoundland.

Venice, Dec. 12. An Express is arrived here from Carlowitz with Letters from the Venetian Ambassadors at the Congress, bringing Advice, That on the 28th of the last Month a Truce of 25 years was concluded between the Emperor and the Grand Signior; and that the Turkish Ambassadors had declared, That seeing the War between the two Empires was begun by the Port, it was just his Imperial Majesty should remain Master of all that his Arms had gained from them during the said War; But as to the Republick of Venice, who were the Aggressors, they ought to restore, or at least dismantle the Fortres of Lepanto, and such other Places as are Dependencies of the Provinces which the Turks are now in Possession of. This has been considered of by the Senate, who have thereupon framed their last Instructions to their Ambassadors, and sent them to Carlowitz by an Express. The Senate have appointed three of their Number, as a Committee, to regulate several Matters relating to the Morea. The Chevalier Spinola is come hither from Vienna, in his way to Maltha, whither he is going to Command the Gallies of that Order next Summer. The Martha, Captain Lawrence Commander, arrived here this week from Norway, but last from Scotland.

Dantzick, Dec. 8. Our Letters from Brezza in Lithuania say, a Great Council is to be held there on the 9th Instant, to consider of the most proper Methods for putting an End to the Disorders of that Province; and that in the mean time, the chief of the two Contending Parties, whose Divisions have been the principal Occasion of these Troubles, are marched to Grodno with great Numbers of their Followers, and are encamped near that City; But divers Senators, and other Persons of Quality that were come thither on purpose to interpose between the two Parties, have prevailed with them to forbear all Acts of Hostility, and have begun a Negotiation for Reconciling them, which it's hoped may be happily ended before the meeting of the Council at Brezza.

Carlowitz, Decemb. 3. On the 28th of the last Month, the Mediators and the Imperial and Turkish Ambassadors met at the Congress, and agreed upon a Truce of 25 years between the two Empires. The next day the Treaty to that effect was put into Form, and was finally settled on the first Instant. Yesterday the Ambassador of Muscovy came to the Conference, where divers Points relating to the Czar his Master, from whom the

Turks demand the Restitution of Dogan, Galezi, and some other Forts near the River Nieper, were Debated. The Affairs of Poland were considered this day, and these Negotiations go on with such good Success, that 'tis not doubted but they will be finished in a few days; The only considerable Difficulty which remains, is, That the Turks demand of the Republick of Venice, that Lepanto, and some other Places on the Frontiers of the Morea, be dismantled; Upon which, the Venetian Ambassadors (having no Orders to consent thereto) has dispatched an Express to the Senate to receive further Instructions.

Vienna, Dec. 13. Count Marfigli, one of the Emperor's Ministers for Treating a Peace with the Turks, who came hither some days ago from Carlowitz, to give his Imperial Majesty an Account of the Proceedings at the Congress, will return to that Place in a day or two. Our last Advices from thence say, that since the concluding of the Truce between the Emperor and the Ottoman Port, a great Progress has been made in the Negotiations relating to our Allies, and that 'twas hoped the Treaty would in a very short time be finally Adjusted and Signed by all Parties. The Emperor has demanded a Subsidy of 4 Millions of Livres of the States of Hungary. Great Preparations are making for the King of the Romans Marriage, which it's believed will be Celebrated next Carnival. The Office of High Steward to his Imperial Majesty, vacant by the Death of the late Prince of Dietrichsteyn, is given to the Old Count Harrach, who was lately Ambassador in Spain. Cardinal Grimani is arrived here from Rome, to Negotiate an Agreement of the Differences between this Court and the Pope, concerning the Imperial Fiefs in Italy. The Bishop of Raab is likewise come hither from Poland; And General Caprara, with divers other Officers, are returned from Hungary. The two Commissaries of the Imperial Magazines in Hungary, who were lately sentenced to die for Imbezelling the Stores they were entrusted with, have been executed; and another of them has been since tried, who being found guilty of the like Crimes, is to undergo the same Punishment. The Heer Fortsner, Commissary-General, who was concerned with them, is condemned to a Perpetual Imprisonment.

Berlin, Dec. 2. The Elector of Brandenburg has appointed Count Denhoff to go with the Character of his Ambassador to the Court of Vienna, to receive the Emperor's Investiture for the Electorate of Brandenburg, which Ceremony has been delayed hitherto by reason of the late War. His Electoral Highness has made Lieutenant-General Lottum Governor of the Fortres of Spandau. Part of the Forces of Brandenburg are ordered to go into Winter Quarters on the Borders of the Mark of Brandenburg, and on the Frontiers of Pomerania, and of the Duchy of Cassubia, and are to be commanded by Major-General Nafmar and Major-General Slabbendorp.

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