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Copenhagen, Dec. 29. N. S.

Vice-Admiral Fairborn, on board Her Majesty's Ship the *Association*, put into *Gottenbourg* the 22d Instant, having been driven from his Anchors off the *Long Sand-head* and tost at Sea a fortnight: He has sustained no other Loss than that of his Anchors and Cables, wherewith he has been readily supplied out of the King of *Denmark's* Stores, upon Application made to him by Her Majesty of *Great Britain's* Minister in this Court. A Secretary of the King of *Poland* arrived here the 23d Instant, and an Envoy is shortly expected from that Crown.

Vienna, Dec 22. Letters from the Imperial Army in *Italy* of the 13th Instant give an Account, that they were ready to decamp, and it was thought would endeavour to force the Enemy's Retrenchments, and pass the Po at *San Benedetto*. The Duke of *Vendosme* having received notice of their Preparations, was come back in all hast from *Piedmont*, and had put himself at the head of the *French* and *Spanish* Army. It is supposed by some, that the *German* intend to draw towards the *Oglia*, or the *Adda*, in order to make a Diversien in favour of the Duke of *Savo*, and at the same time to preserve their Communication with the Country of *Tirol*; but this is only a probable Conjecture, the real Design being kept secret, and we daily expect a more certain Account of their Undertaking, and its Success. Prince *Eugene* is still making the necessary Dispositions on the Frontiers of *Hungary* to prevent any further Incursions of the Rebels, who with their main Body are encamped at *Coningseejde*, about 3 Leagues from *Presbourg*, and have for some time forbore going out in Parties, for fear of being surpris'd by the *Imperialists*, who, besides the Reinforcements which are marching to them of the *Imperial* and *Danish* Forces, will in a short time be joined by 10000 *Ruscians*. The *Austrian* Militia go on with their Lines and Redoubts along the River *Mark*, in which Work they have not hitherto met with any Interruption from the Enemy.

Bale, Dec 22. The General Diet of the *Swiss* Cantons is adjourn'd till after the Holidays, and seems dispos'd to insist on a Neutrality for the Dutchy of *Savo*: Some Cantons have already given Leave for Soldiers to be rais'd within their Territories for the Duke of *Savo's* Service. A considerable Sum of Money is sent from *Turin* to *Bern*, to buy Horses for mounting his Cavalry. The *French* Ambassador and the Envoy of *Savo* have presented several Memorials, as well to the General Diet, as to some of the Cantons in particular, wherein the former, in a multitude of Words, endeavours to set forth his Master's Moderation, and his Affection to their Commonwealth; and the other in a very lively manner represents the Danger and Inconveniencies of having

so powerful and ambitious a Neighbour as *France*; from which Considerations, backed with Instances of what has befallen the Duke his Master, and the Duke of *Lorrain*, he enforces the Necessity there is for all neighbouring States to be upon their Guard, and to avoid contributing by too great a Compliance, with the Desires of the *French*, to their own Destruction. We hear a Conspiracy has been discovered at *Montmeilan*, for betraying that Place to the Enemy, and that several of those who were concerned in it are carried Prisoners to *Turin*.

Francfort, Dec. 30. The *French* have possessed themselves of the little Town of *Kirn*, but the Castle still makes a very good Defence. They are adding new Fortifications to *Gernsheim*, and have built several Forts along the *Moselle*, for the Security of their Quarters on that side. Letters from *Geneva* say, that the *Marshall de Tesse* is gone from thence for *Italy*, by the way of *Vallary*, into which Place the *Swiss* intend to put a strong Garrison, for the Security of their Frontiers on that side.

Cologne, January 1. There being Advice, that the *French* are drawing some Troops together near *Blumenthal*, all possible Care is taken, as well here as at *Rheinfeld*, *Coblentz*, *Bon*, and other neighbouring Towns, to prevent any Design they might have upon any of them; and the Confederate Forces in these Parts have Orders to be in a readiness, that if there should be Occasion, a Body of them may suddenly be drawn together to oppose the Enemy.

Nancy, Dec. 30. Letters from *Paris* say, they had received an Account from *Italy*, that the Grand Prior, who commands the *French* Army on the borders of *Piedmont*, had drawn his Forces together, and had divided them into two Bodies, whereof one had pass'd the *Tapato*, in order to besiege *Alba*, and the other had pass'd it self between *Asti*, *Turin*, and *Vercue*, to oppose any Succours the Duke of *Savo* might send to the Relief of that Place. These Letters add, that the Storm had done considerable Damage on the *French* Coast from *Rechel* to *Dunkirk*, and that several of their Ships were missing, particularly 6 Vessels laden with Arms and Ammunition, which were sail'd for *Spain* just before the Storm, and are given over for lost.

Hague, Jan. 4. N. S. The King of *Spain* went from hence yesterday about 3 in the morning, and about 8 embarked at *Vlaarlingen* on board the *Pilgrime* Yacht, being conducted thither, and complimented at his departure, by the *Baton* of *Boeyelaer*, the *Sieur van Slingerland*, and the other Deputies of the States of *Holland* and *Westfriesland*, with several other Persons of Quality. His Majesty sail'd from thence the same day to join the Fleet commanded by *Sir George Rooke* off the mouth of the *Muse*, and as he pass'd by the *Brill* was saluted with a Discharge of the Cannon round that Place; and yesterday