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St. James's, Dec. 31.

THE King of Spain arrived at Spithead on the 26th Instant in the afternoon, and had all possible Honours paid him both from the Fleet and the Town. The next day the Duke of Somerset, Master of the Horse, waited on his Majesty on Shipboard, with a Letter and a Compliment from the Queen, acquainting him, That She was come to Windsor, in order to receive the Visit that his Majesty had desired to make to Her: The next night he lay at Petworth, whither his Royal Highness was come to meet him. The 29th, about 7 in the evening, the King of Spain arrived at Windsor; The Duke of Northumberland, Constable of Windsor Castle, the Duke of St. Albans, Captain of the Band of Pensioners, and the Marquess of Hartington, Captain of the Yeoman of the Guard, received him at his alighting out of the Coach, and the Earl of Jersey, Lord Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Household, lighted him to the Stair head, where the Queen received him: And after he had made his Compliment to Her Majesty, acknowledging his great Obligations to Her for Her generous Protection and Assistance, he led Her Majesty into Her Bed-Chamber, and after a short stay there, his Royal Highness conducted his Catholick Majesty to the Apartment prepared for him. He Supped that night with the Queen, who gave his Majesty the Right Hand at Table, (which he with great Difficulty admitted) the Prince sitting at the end of the Table on the Queen's side. The next day his Majesty, having notice that the Queen was coming to make him a Visit, he met Her at Her Drawing-Room Door, endeavouring to have prevented Her, but Her Majesty went on to his Apartment, from whence he led Her Majesty to Dinner. The afternoon was spent in Entertainments of Music, and other Diversions. After Supper he would not be satisfied till, after great Compliments, he had prevailed with the Dutchess of Marlborough to give him the Napkin, which he held to her Majesty when She washed. Supper being over, he led Her Majesty to Her Bed-Chamber, where, after some stay, he took his Leave of Her, resolving to depart next morning, which he did accordingly, and his Royal Highness attended him to the Coach side, the King not suffering him to go any further, by reason of his indisposition. His Majesty went to Petworth this evening, designing to be on Shipboard at Spithead to-morrow, to which Place the Duke of Somerset was commanded by Her Majesty to attend him.

Turin, December 17. The New Levies, and all the other Preparations for carrying on the War against France and Spain, are continued here with the utmost Diligence and Application, and with very good Success. The Duke of Savoy has lately viewed the Fortifications and the Arsenal of this

Place, and has ordered several Pieces of Cannon to be sent to Chieri, for the use of that Garrison. Two Perions are sent from hence to Genoua, to borrow a considerable Sum of Money for his Royal Highness. The Commonalty of this City have presented to his Royal Highness a Free Gift of 150000 Livres, with promise of the like Sum at the opening of the Campaign.

Dantzick, December 21. Two Men of War and 10 Transport Ships, being part of the Swedish Squadron which lately failed from our Road with the Prisoners, the Cannon and other things which the Swedes have taken from the Poles and Saxons, are returned hither, having been separated from the rest in the late great Storm, and it is believed several of the other Ships of this Squadron have been cast away. Our Magistrates have given Orders for their Guards to be doubled, and are making the necessary Dispositions for their Security: They have also directed all Housekeepers to give an Account of all Strangers who are lodged in their Houses. They write from Warsaw, that Conferences will shortly be held there between the King of Sweden's Commissioners and the Chief of the Confederated Nobility of Poland and Prussia.

Vienna, Dec. 22. The Preparations for suppressing the Rebellion in Hungary are carried on with all possible Diligence: Several Regiments of Danish and other regular Troops are marching from this Duchy, and from Tirol, to Presbourg, and the Militia, as well as a considerable Body of Ruscians, are also drawing together, to be employed in that Service. The Nobility of Hungary have on this Occasion given all possible Assurances of their Zeal for the Emperor's Service; and several of them have obtained Leave to raise some Independent Companies, as well to annoy the Rebels, as to protect their own Estates from their Excursions. It is said the Rebels, by the means of some Correspondence they had in the Towns of Great Waradin and Clausenberg, had formed a Design of surprising those two Places, but that it was happily discovered, and those Persons who corresponded with them are secured.

Bern, Dec. 26. The Deputies of this Canton, and of Fribourg, who were sent to the Marshal de Tesse, to desire he would forbear Hostilities in Savoy, are returned home. That Marshal being departed from Chambery before their Arrival there, they waited on the Duke de la Feuillade, who has the chief Command of the French Forces on that side in his room. He received them with great Civility, and told them, He would not comply with their Desires without particular Orders, but that he would send an Express to Court with an Account thereof, and would follow the Directions he should receive from thence. The French have made a second Attempt upon the Town of Alba, but without Success, the Duke of Savoy having taken effectual Measures to prevent their Designs.

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