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Pennens, Octob. 25.

Here are lately put in several French ships with Salt, one Vessel from the *Streights*, and one from *Portugal* bound for *Dartmouth* laden with Oyls: this last week was cast away at the *Lizard* a Danish ship laden with Deals, 17 of her men saved and two lost with the vessel.

Falmouth, Octob. 27. Several ships lately arrived here from *Burdeaux* inform us, that divers Dutch ships which were there intending to load Wines, returned empty upon the advice of a great imposition laid upon French Wines in *Holland*.

Madrid, Octob. 1. The Baron de Rede, Ambassador from the State-General of the *United Provinces* having before his death discovered himself to be a professor of the Roman Catholic Religion, The Queen has been pleased to give order for the furnishing a Bed of State with large silver Candlesticks and the summe of 4000 Crowns to defray the expences of his Funeral which was solemnized in the *Jesuits Colledge* with much Ceremony, where attended persons of the greatest Eminency about the Town, and Her Majesty's Guards, to whom were lately added 300 Spanish Foot lately arrived from *Cordova* and *Seville*.

The Marquis de *Liche* who was designed to have been sent Ambassador to *Portugal*, has desired to be excused from that employment which would be much prejudicial to his other affairs and concerns here.

This Court being now assured of the truth of the Report of the surrender of *Candia*, has sent Orders to the Viceroy of *Naples* and *Sicily* to take care for the well fortifying of all their Sea-ports and Landing places, to prevent any attempts the Turks may hereafter have of coming on shore within those territories.

Legorn, Octob. 21. Yesterday arrived here a Bark in 24 hours bringing over 14 Horses and 3 Coaches which had been presented to the Prince of *Tuscany* in *France*, by this vessel we are informed that the Prince embarked and departed from the same place the 18th instant, so that we hourly expect his arrival here.

Cracovia, Octob. 15. On Saturday last the Vice-Chancellor of this Kingdom made a Speech at the Diet in presence of His Majesty, enlarging himself much upon the danger threatened from the Turks, and exhorting the Assembly to take some speedy and timely care to prevent the mischiefs which otherwise may spring from this too near neighbourhood and conjunction with the Cossacks; which done, the Archbishop of *Gnesne* made an elegant speech upon the same subject, representing and laying open the necessities of the publick and the present ill state of affairs, showing how much they were concerned to make a timely application to the neighbour Christian Princes, to joyn their assistances for their common interest against the Common Enemy, exhorting all persons of the Kingdom to contribute what they are able for the payment and encouragement of their Army, to whom he intended by his voluntary Contribution to give a good example; but adding, that if he found the Generality inclined to consult rather their private passions and interests than that of the publick, he knew as well as any how to retire himself out of the Kingdom that he might not be an Eye-witness of the succeeding evils, but this discourse, how patheticke soever, had not the effects which his zeal expected from the Assembly, for the next day the Nobles refused to discourse any publick

affair till they had first satisfaction given them in three particulars.

1. That the Deputies from the several Provinces might be better and more conveniently lodged, without expence as in former Diets, and that they be reimbursed in the Moneys laid out by them on that account.

2. That about 18 of the Deputies who have judgements of Infamy against them, may be refused the liberty of their Votes till they have first purged themselves.

3. That since a former Law was made for the Sequestration of all vacant Governments for the recompensing of such of the Noblesse as had lost their Estates by the late troubles in *Ukrania*, they desired that an Inspection might be made into that affair, and the Revenues arising from the said vacancies disposed of according to the true intention of the said Law, all which points is feared may occasion many heats to the dissolution of the Diet.

From *Ukrania* we have confirmation on all hands of the Conjunction of the Turks and Cossacks, and that the Turks have besides the Town of *Raschow*, fortified also *Scarragor* nearer to *Camienitz*, both of these places formerly belonging to his Kings Father. This week has been spent in Treats and Diversifements, the great persons in their Order Feasting His Majesty with extraordinary Magnificence.

On Sunday last the Count de *Harach* under the Character of Ambassador from His Catholick Majesty, presented the King with the Order of the *Golden Fleece*; the Ceremony performed in the Kings Chamber, and the Wednesday following returned for *Vienna*; 'Tis generally believed the Kings Marriage with the Emperours Sister will suddenly follow, although a proposal has been lately made of a Daugher of the late Duke of *Ossack*, whose Mother is now wife to Duke *Michael Radzvil*.

Seignior *Potoski* the under Sewer to the Crown, who during the last Diet at the Election, was chosen Marshal or Speaker of the Nobles, is now preferred to the Charge of Palatine of *Sirdalia*, and his Brother-in-law Prince *Lubmirsky* succeeds in his vacancy.

The Evening of the great Feast at the Coronation happened a quarrel at the house of the Grand Marshal, between Duke *Demetrius Wisniemsky*, General of the Army, and neerly related to the King, and the Palatine of *Russia*, between whom passed a challenge to the Fields, in which they were prevented by the interposall of several persons of Honour, but two of their principal Gentlemen meeting, closely disputed, their Masters quarrel, till one of them had his left Arm cut off with one blow of a Schablen or Polish sword.

Lisbonne, Octob. 15. As yet the *Brazille Fleet* is not put to sea, nor is it yet resolved whether any ships will part with them for the *East-Indies*, the Merchants having excused themselves from furnishing Moneys for the setting out of ships of strength for this voyage, are the more severely lookt into in the matter of Customes, and a search made into their Houses for such Goods as have paid none.

The Court continues their resolution of sending another Minister to *Madrid* in the room of the *Conde de Miranda*, but as yet no nomination is made.

About 4 days since, the *Conde de Pontevora* with his Brother, were sent prisoners to the Castle of *Setubal* for abusing an Officer of the Court sent to the house of the Porter in search of a Malefactor which was said to have retired thither.

Genova, Octob. 16. On Thursday last went hence one of the Gallies of this Republick for *Savona*, being Ordered to waite the Commands of *Cardinal Antonio*, and attend him in his Voyage for *Rome*, and is since parted by in view of this Port, bound for *Civita Vecchia*.

The 9th instant returned hither two Gallies of this place, having for some time been Cruising about the Island of *Cerfica*, and have brought home with them the small Turkish Prize which they seized in those Seas.

Two of the Ships which are sold by *Signior Hippolito Centurione* to His Most Christian Majesty, are now in this Port to furnish themselves with Men, and to take in Canon, and in few dayes may put again to Sea, intending for *Thoton*.

The Differences between this Republick and the Pope about the Inquisitor, are in a fair way of Accommodation, which, when fully ended, 'tis said the Pope designs hither a Squadron of his Gallies, to conduct to *Rome* *Signior Stefano Pallavicino's* Daughter, the Match being now fully concluded between her and the Popes Nephew, who is to have with her the sum of about 200 thousand Pistols, with which he intends to purchase the Principality of *Piombino*.

This last week *Signior Hippolito Centurione*, having intelligence, that the Ship Commanded by Captain *Lanaro* of this place, to which he pretended a half-share, had put into *Legorne*, hoping by that means to escape from him, presently Arm'd out 2 Chal ups in her Pursuite; who overtaking her in the Road of *Legorne*, seized her, notwithstanding severall shots made at them from the Fort, which killed some of their Seamen, and hurt divers others. He intended to have brought in hither his Prize, but, finding some opposition amongst our Superiors, thought fit to send her away to *Villa Franca*.

Upon Information brought to our Superiors by an Express, that the Duke of *Savoy's* Officer in the Valley of *Onglia*, had Imprisoned *Signior Carazza* Commander of the Forces sent by this Republick to lie upon the Frontiers. They have Ordered two of their Gallies to depart hence with several Companies of Foot, to strengthen our Forces on that side, till the Republick shall be better informed of the whole Matter.

From *Munich*, they Write, That they have some hopes that the Differences between the Pope and the Spanish Governor of that Duchy, about the Revenues of the suppressed Convents may admit of a Friendly Composition.

The Governour is taking Order about the Assignment of Quarters to the Soldiers, intending so to Order Affairs, that in case it shall be thought fit to increase the number of them, the People may not be put to any unnecessary charges or trouble.

Vienna, Octob. 20. Since the peace lately concluded between the Venetians and the Turks, our apprehensions are increased, lest the Ottoman force may seek a new employment by giving us a disturbance in *Hungary*, especially if it they press us hard for the dismantling the Fort neer *Gomorre*, and make several other demands which His Imperial Majesty cannot in Honour comply with: but that we may not be found altogether disabled from making our defence if the Turks should make any attempts, upon us, great care is taken for the repairing all our fortifications, especially those on the frontiers which are most exposed to assaults of that nature: the Count *de Montecuculi* continues at *Raab*, from whence he issues out his Orders for the supply of the Magazines, and furnishing the several Garrisons with stores of all sorts, in such manner as may be least sensible and burdensome to the Inhabitants of those parts, which providence of his has much obliged the people, and confirmed them in their obedience to his Imperial Majesty.

The Emperour having notice that the Turks were dispatching hither an Aga with farther complaints and demands, has given Order to the Count *de Montecuculi* to stop him in his way hither and to return him with such an-

swer as he shall be furnished with by the instructions which shall be sent him for that purpose, and if the Aga were already past him and upon his way hither, then to send after him, and to conduct him to the City of *Raab*.

The Bishop of *Munster* has lately sent hither an Ecclesiastical person his Envoye, to impart (as he pretends) several things of great and weighty importance to His Imperial Majesty, but (as is believed) to endeavour to divert the Emperour from entering into the League with the Princes of *Germany*, for securing the peace between the two Crowns of *France* and *Spain*.

Cologne, Octob. 29. 'Tis confidently said that an Alliance is now Treated of between the King of *Denmark* and the Prince Elector *Palatine*, which is to be cemented by a Marriage between Prince *Charles*, the eldest Son of the Prince Elector, and His said Majestys youngest Daughter.

From *Mayence*: we are told that the Elector has been some time at *Wurtsbourg* in *Franconia*, and has given Order for the blowing up and raising of his Castle of *Starckenbourg* neer *Bergstrass*, and that there has been lately a meeting at *Muhlhausen* in *Thuring*, of the Deputies from his Electoral Highness of *Mayence*, the Princes of *Lunenburg* and *Brunswick*, the Landgrave of *Hessen Cassel* and the Bishop of *Munster*, for the composition of some private disputes.

And from *Ratisbonne*, that the agreement made for the Regulation of *Moneys* is fully ended and concluded with the approbation of His Imperial Majesty, so that that Assembly is now wholly intent upon the other affair of greater concernment for the security of the Empire, in which they have agreed upon the number of forces to be raised both of Horse and Foot, and are now upon the choice of fit Officers to Command them, to whom they intend speedily to issue out Commissions that they may proceed to raise their men, as also of paymasters for the Army, and the furnishing of a Train of Artillery proportionable to the said Army.

Brussels, Nov. 1. Don *Estevan de Gamarra* the Spanish Ambassador is lately arrived here from *Holland* upon one of the States Yachts, and this evening had a private conference with the Constable of *Castille*, who is lately removed from his Pallace to a house on the other side the Park, and has sent away a considerable part of his Goods for *Spain*.

The States of *Brabant* have had several days Conference about the best ways and method of entertaining their proportion of Horse and Foot after the example given by those of *Flanders*.

The French pass daily as they please in great bodies through our Territories, and have obliged the Farmers of Estates within their late Conquests of such persons as live within the Spanish jurisdiction to pay all Rents which have been due to their Landlords for the years 1667, and 1668, to such persons as they have appointed to be Receivers, and intend likewise to collect the Rents for this present year.

The Marquis *de Louvois* has lately visited the new Citadel at *Tourray*, where he has been liberally Treated, at which time he gave names to all the Bastions of the said Citadel, which was done with some solemnity, and the discharge of several Volleys of great Cannon, and is since gone from thence to *Dunkirk*.

Lynne, Octob. 29. On Saturday last in the afternoon was put on shoar at *Wells* a Flemish built Ship of about 250 Tuns laden with Deal-boards, Masts and other Norway Goods, but without Masts or any person aboard her; she is a broad Sterned ship, and upon the Stern, some men reported that she belonged to *East-Friesland*.

Bristol, Octob. 29. Several Wrecks have been seen of late in this Channel occasion'd by the tempestuous weathers we have not yet any news of the ships of this place which have been for some weeks expected from *Barbados*, which gives us reason to apprehend the truth of the report of the great Hurrican upon those Coasts.