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Plymouth, Dec. 24.

Here are lately put in by contrary winds near 30 sail of ships from *Byrdeaux, Nantes, Bayonne, and Charante*, laden with Brandy, Prunes and other Commodities bound for London and other Ports of England, expecting the opportunity of a fair wind, as do also the like or a greater number which before lay wind-bound in this Port; here is also arrived one ship from *Portugal* but without any considerable news.

Deal, Dec. 27. Yesterday in the afternoon arrived here in His Majesties Yacht the Earl of *St. Albans*, with the rest of the Commissioners sent over to *Paris* to order the Funeral of the Queen Mother, and to take an Inventory of her Goods and things of value, they ran some hazard in coming out from *Callais* and were yesterday in the morning in danger of the *Goodwin*.

This day several pieces of wrecks have been taken up at and near this place, which gives us reason to believe that several ships may have been cast away upon the *Goodwin*.

Naples, Dec. 2. The Viceroy having given an account to the Court at *Madrid* of the differences which lately arose here between the Royal Chamber; and the Ministers of the Apostolick Chamber, concerning the disposal of the Sums of Money arising from the sale of several small Convents and Monasteries within this Kingdom; and received the Resolution of the said Court upon that matter; has ordered *Don Antonio de Gaeta* the President of the Royal Chamber to make a journey to *Rome* for the final ending of that Affairs.

The *Banditti* continue still their Insolencies in the Countreys near them, nor is yet any effectual resolution taken to reduce them.

The Charge of General of the Gallies belonging to this Kingdom being vacant by the Resignation of *Don Juannezino Doris*, is by Her Majesty the Queen Regent of *Spain* conferred on the Duke de *Verrandina*.

The *Corsaire*s of *Barbary* much interrupt the trade of the Mediterranean. From *Sicily* they tell us, that Intelligence being brought to *Trapani* that a Merchant ship belonging to one of their Neighbouring Ports was fallen into their hands, they immediately put out to Sea a lully Man of Warr, hoping to recover her, but coming up with her, six other *Corsaire*s came in to her rescue, from whom this Man of Warr with much difficulty saved himself.

Rome, Dec. 7. The desperate estate of the Pope is received here with general sadness more then for any of his Predecessors in our memory, and is principally attributed to extreme melancholly occasion'd by the surrender of *Candia* to the *Turks*, from whom he labour'd what he was able both upon his own account and his interest with other Princes and Republicks to preserve in.

On Munday last in the Evening he received Extreme Unction, since which the Furniture and richest Goods are taken out of his palace, and all possible preparations are making for the ensuing Conclave; it being not believed he can be able to live a day longer, yet in his greatest weakness he has been prevailed with to dispose of several Legations, particularly that of *Arbuz* is conferred on the Cardinal *Cerri*, that of *Bologne* on Cardinal *Pallavicino*, that of *Ferrara* on Cardinal *Acciajoli*, and one other upon Cardinal *Bonaccorsi*.

We have even now received news that the rich Heiress of the House of *Pallavicino* the intended Spouse of *Don Gio. Battista Rospigliosi* arrived the last night at *Civita Vecchia*, and Coaches are ordered to attend her and conduct her to *Zagavolla* till preparations can be made for her better accommodation and the Consummation of the Marriage.

The Queen of Sweden is most of any concerned for the Popes condition, having not failed in her visits twice a day, and her self experimenting on him a Medicine though in vain, which had for several Months preserved *Alexander the VII*

Legorn, Dec. 9. The news of the promotion of the Archbishop of *Florence* Monsignor *Nerli* to the Dignity of Cardinal, and of the advancement of Monsignor *Acciajoli*, Auditor of the Apostolick Chamber to the like Dignity, were received with great satisfaction at *Florence*, the latter having in that City many relations.

From *Cagliari*, the Metropolitan of the Island of *Sardinia* we are told that the Duke de *St. Germain* the Viceroy, has lately committed to prison several Women suspected Witches, who were said by Diabolical practices to have defamed against his life, and that some of them have confessed themselves guilty thereof.

Venice, Dec. 17. From *Cantawer* have intelligence of the continuance there of *Chevalier Molino* our Minister, to whom the Visier has been pleased to give many testimonies of his civility as well as of his resolution to continue the peace so lately made with this Republic; the said *Chevalier Molino* has his liberty of passing whithersoever he pleases to *Suda*, and expects the arrival of *Segnior Lorenzo Molino* with the Prelens designed for the Grand Segnior and the Visier; our Fleet is the greatest part of it laid up for this winter, about 40 sail being sent to *Zante*, and some others dismissed the service; General *Morofini* is with 14 men of war at *Suda*; and our Gallies at *Porto Cheri*, not far distant from *Zante*.

The Hostages which were given on both sides for security of the Articles upon the conclusion of the peace are mutually dismissed and returned home with much satisfaction and several Presents.

We hear now yet of the arrival of the Commissioners sent by the Grand Segnior into *Dalmatia* to confer with ours about the Regulation of our bounds and limits.

The Senate is daily considering of fit methods of raising Moneys, as also of the best way of easing the publick as well as the people of their great burthens which lie upon them, but are yet forced to lay an Impost of a penny upon every little measure of Salt, which 'tis computed will amount yearly to the sum of Twenty four thousand Ducats, which sum they intend to take up upon that Credit beforehand, allowing Five per Cent interest, which Moneys so advanced are to be expended towards the payment of the publick debts contracted by this war.

A great part of the soldiers which returned from *Candia* are to be sent into *Dalmatia* to reinforce the Garrisons which were much weakened by the numbers which were formerly drawn out of them for the Levant service, the rest of them to be disposed of into Quarters in *Terra firma*.

All the Reformed Officers which have shown any evident marks of their courage in the late war will be honourably dismissed the service of this Republick, and sent home to their respective Countreys with rewards suitable to their merits and the bounty of this State.

Several ships are here sitting up, and divers already put

to sea laden by our Merchants to a considerable value for the carrying on of our Trade in the *Levant*.

The Abbot *Federici*, Resident from His Imperial Majesty upon the arrival of a Courier from *Vienna*, immediately made his addresses to the Colledge, who complying with his desires to the satisfaction of the Emperour, the Courier was sent back with all possible diligence, but the Subject of his message is not said.

From *Morea* they write that upon complaint made to the *Basha*, that one of their Corsairs had seized on a ship belonging to *Zant*, the Officer of the place where he put in was order'd to take cognizance thereof, who forced the Corsair to dismiss his Prize, and caused a hundred blows with a Cudgel to be given to the Captain upon the soles of his feet for not having better observed the late peace, and Order is given upon all the sea-coasts to fire all such others of them as shall be found guilty of the like attempts.

From the *Levant* they farther tell us that the *Visier* is at the last perswaded to comply with the Grand *Signior*'s desires, and to attend him to *Constantinople*, and that for this purpose he has already embarked himself for *Morea*.

Hambourg, Dec. 19. The Heer *Bruininx*, Envoye from the States General of the United Provinces designed for the Emperours Court at *Vienna* has been lately at *Wurtzburg* where he has offered the States His Masters Mediation to the Elector of *Mayence* for the composure of all differences and disputes with the Duke of *Lorraine* or any other his Neighbour Princes, and went afterwards from thence to *Heidelberg* to offer the same offices to the Prince Elector Palatine, by which last he was Treated with extraordinary kindness.

The Treaty which has been for some time negotiating at *Landau* between the Prince Elector Palatine and the Duke of *Lorraine* is near concluded, nothing remaining under dispute but the fortifying or not fortifying of the places towards the *Estinate*, which are to be given up in lieu of the County of *Falkenstein*, though it is also said that the Bishop of *Spire* has protested against this Treaty, having some pretensions to the places which are to be given to the Duke upon this agreement.

Monsieur de *Risancourt* a Minister of the Duke of *Lorraine* passing lately by *Franckfort*, declared that his Master desired nothing with greater zeal then to preserve a good correspondency and understanding between him and the Empire with all the Members thereof, he reckeming himself of the number of them, since he has been taken in to the Warrantay at *Ratisbonne*.

From *Ratisbonne* they write that the Emperour has sent thither his resolve touching the point of raising forces for the security of the Empire, shewing his satisfaction with all their proceedings hitherto upon that account, provided they observe the ancient *Matriculæ*, promising farther to contribute a full proportion to the Leavies on condition that the Hereditary Provinces may be comprised in the general warrantay.

The fourth instant His Imperial Majestys said Resolve was taken into consideration by the three Colledges, but nothing that day concluded, many debates arising upon the great probabilities of disturbances from the Turks in *Hungary*, which by this means may involve the whole Empire in new troubles.

Hambourg, Decemb. 20. The *Linenbourgers*, and the other remaining German Forces which were formerly sent to the assistance of the *Venetians* are not yet returned home, though they have been long expected, and it is some time since we had Newes of the arrival of the Count de *Covington* at *Venice*.

From *Stockholme* we have Letters of the fifth Instant which give us an account of the King and Queens return thither with the Court, but that the Chanceller of that Crown is fallen into a great indisposition of Body, and that they had great expectation of the Issue of the Mediation of the Heer *Heinshus*, sent by the States General of the United Provinces into *Muscovy* to Mediate for the compos-

sure of the differences between that Emperour and the Crown of *Sweden*, Letters of the 25th past from *Muscovy* informing, that the *Qzar* was daily expected thero from the Country, in which he had for some time divertid himself, after which he expected a sudden Audience, and had some hopes of a favourable one, if any thing might be guessed from the civility he had received from several of the Principal Persons of the Court, though he could not at all boast of his Entertainment on his way, or his first Reception upon his Entry into that City.

From *Poland* they Write of great hopes of reconciling the *Cossacks*, and reducing them to their ancient Obedience to that Crown, *Dorofensko* having it seems gained a Victory over the other Heads of the Factious People, and offering termes of submission, which 'tis supposed may be thought worth the compliance, considering the present posture of the Affairs of *Poland*.

Cologne, Dec. 23. From *Maestricht* they write, that the Magistrates of the City had by a Proclamation prohibited the importation of Sugars from any of their neighboring Countreys: that they had employ'd many hands about their fortifications, and expected to proceed suddenly in the recruiting of their Companies, although the Garrison be already of a very considerable strength.

Letters from *Vienna* affirm, That the Prince de *Auersperg* was fallen into the Emperours disfavour, and was forbidden the Court, and commanded within three dayes to retire himself to his house at *Wols* near *Linz*, in the upper *Austria*, to which he was to be confined till further Order.

That the Vice-chancellor of *Poland*, Ambassadour Extraordinary from that King, had made his solemn Entry with a Magnificence suitable to his Errand; and was by exprels command from the Emperour attended by an extraordinary Train of coaches with 6 Horses: And that some great person of *Hungary* is lately brought prisoner to *Vienna*.

Swantz, Dec. 23. This last week was forced in here by contrary winds a vessel of *Minehead* on her return from *France* bound for *Bridgewater* laden with Salt and some French Wine, at her entrance into the harbor she was forced on shore to her great damage in her lading, but may be gotten off again with the Spring-tide.

Harmich, Dec. 28. On Thursday last the Dutch and English Packet-boats with their passengers were forced back into this port, having ever since in vain labour'd to get to sea by reason of the late Easterly winds; one of our Pacquet-boats which set sail on Friday was sevennight from *Holland* is not yet arriv'd.

The late ill weather and great Frosts have kept off our boats, so that 'tis not to be wonder'd if our forreign Advices bear not so late a Date as might otherwise be expected.

Advertisement.

These are to advertise, that one John Brown aged about Twenty two years of age; a tall black man with short black hair, a round face with little Pock holes, and goes something stooping, hath stolen from his Master Two hundred pound in Silver and Gold, upon the Twenty third of this Month of December 1669 One silver Sword, a Case of new Pistols sixt with silver, a brown Drugges suit with plate silver Buttons, a Red Indian Scarf, with several other things of worth. If any can give intelligence of him to Mr. James Coghlane, one of His Majesties Footmen living in St Albans Street, he or they shall be honourably rewarded for so doing.