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Dover, Jan. 29.

THis last VVeeke was cast away behind the *Goodwin* the *Diligence*, an English Ship, laden with Canaries, but the Men all saved.

Seville, Jan. 7. Captain *Kempthorn* bound lately from *Sallee* to *Tangier*, having under his Convoy the *Hambourgh Merchant*, with a ship commanded by Captain *Brown*, and a French ship from the *Canaries*, was set upon by seven men of war of *Argiers*, viz. the *Golden Lyon* Admiral, of 34 Guns, the *Orange tree* of 36; the *Half-moon* of 41; the *Seven Stars* of 32; the *White Hart* of 30; the *Hart* of 8; and the *Rose leaf* of 18 Guns, with whom he maintained a long & sharp dispute, till in the end the *Corairs* were forced with much difficulty to retire, carrying off their Admiral which was so roughly handled in the encounter, that it was not believed he could be long kept above water. In this service Captain *Kempthorn* had 10 men killed and 19 wounded, but brought off with much honour the ships which were under his conduct, and is since put into *Cadix* to rest, having received some damage in his Masts and Tackle.

Naples, Jan. 9. A number of Priests lately met together in a little Church in this City, where, with much Formality they celebrated a solemn Mass of the Holy Ghost, in Imitation of the Cardinals at their entrance into the Conclave, which ended, with much superstition they wrote the Names of the several Cardinals in small pieces of Paper, and put them all together in a Chalice, causing a Child to draw out of them one which they fancy'd would be the succeeding Pope, and the Lot fell twice upon Cardinal *Aliseri*, whom they adored in the Person of one of their number, and received his Benediction: But this their Curiosity arriving at the ears of the Arch-Bishops Vicar, he has put them all into the Inquisition, where they are like to be severely punished for their Mock-election.

Ratisbonne, Jan 14 The Ninth inst of the Duke of *Mecklebourg* impowred by His most Christian Majesty for investing Monsieur *de Gravelle* his Plenipotentiary with the Order of *St. Michael*, went into the Church of the *Nuns of Nidermunster*, attended by a great number of Gentlemen and 24 of his Guards, and took his seat on the left hand of the Altar, where an Oratory was placed for him under a Canopy of State, the Plenipotentiary was placed on the right hand, but a little lower then the Altar; there were also present all the Ambassadors from the several Electors and the other Deputies from the other Princes, with a great number of persons of the greatest quality: as soon as they had heard Mass which was celebrated by the Dukes Almoner, Monsieur *de Gravelle* arose and went to the Duke, who rising up, and putting on his Hat caused *de Gravelle* to lift up his hand and take his oath to observe faithfully the Constitutions of that Order; which being done, he kneeled down upon a Cushion of Red Velvet, and the Duke striking him gently upon the right shoulder with a naked sword, said, By *St Peter* by *St Paul* I make you a Knight, and putting about his neck the Collar of the Order, added, The Order receives you into its friendly society, God grant you may long and happily wear it, and then ended the Ceremony with the sign of the

Cross, in the name of the Three persons of the Trinity.

Venice, Jan. 17. These parts have been sufficiently sensible of the ill effects of the late tempestuous weather, the seas being full of wrecks, and every day giving us the news of vessels cast away; in the port of *Bari* and on the neighbouring shoars have perished Seaven great *Marcilian* vessels, one Tartan, one Fregat, and one ship called the *St. George*, but the men had the good fortune to escape, and some part of the goods and Lading are since recovered. The ships called the *St Katherine* and the *Angel Guardian* which came from *Zant*, having on board them many soldiers of the old Militia which had seized the Republick at *Candia* are cast away with all their men, nothing of them being since discovered besides some broken pieces, of those ships, which serve only to assure us of their loss; tis much feared that the *St Anne*, another of our ships which came out in there company from *Zant* may have run also the same fate, none being as yet able to give any account of her. The *Hester*, a Flemish ship of 60 Guns which came from *Legorn* to lade Corn in *Ancona* is also missing and supposed to have perished in the same ill weather.

The seamen of the *Hope* lately arrived here from *Zant* inform us, that passing by the Mountain *St. Angelo* under which they were forced to continue some time for want of wind, they had a dreadful spectacle of a continual flux and reflux of the sea, casting up dead bodies and broken pieces of ships.

From *Dalmatia* we are informed that in *Bosnia* and other Provinces subject to the Ottoman jurisdiction, the Grand Signiors Commands have been published to all the Bassas and other Officers; to set apart three days and three nights for publick rejoycing for the peace established with this Republick, with Order, that if any of their *Corairs* should after that time take any Venetian vessels, they should immediately dismiss them without any injury or damage, and that no person presume to offer the least disturbance to the Venetians under pain of being proceeded against with all the rigor imaginable.

They farther say, that General *Barbaro* has entred upon his Government with much splendor and gallantry, and has much won upon the affections of the people by his bravery and generosity; that he has began to reform the Militia, and the abuses crept in amongst them, and to redress many grievances in the Civil government, especially in that part relating to Creditors and Debtors.

Bayonne, Jan. 27. From *Cadix* we are informed of a stout encounter between the *Mary Rose* an English Fregat, and Seven Turkish men of war, who were in the end forced to give over the fight, and leaveth the Fregat to go on her way with the Merchants under her Convoy.

The Spanish Merchants and others have been long disappointed in their expectations of the arrival of the *New Spain* Fleet, whom they now despair of till the return of the Gallions, which according to their ordinary course may not be expected till *March* next.

The *Rose* and *Crows* of *Yarmouth* of 202 Tuns, 26 Guns, and 26 men, going out of *Cadix* the 21st instant, was with her Cargo of Herrings unfortunately cast upon the Rock called the *Diamond*, but the Master and men happily saved.

The *Fame* laden with necessaries for the Mole and Garrison of *Tangier* at the same time safely arrived in the Bay of *Cadix*, waiting for the company and protection of the

Saphire