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Madrid, November 14, N. S.

THE following Order was sent from this Court to the Spanish West Indies, in October last. By a general Order dispatch'd in this present Month of October, the Vice Roys, Audiencia's, Governors of the Ports, Royal Officers, and all other Officers and Ministers whatsoever of either Kingdom of Peru, and Mexico, are strictly commanded, That if any Ship or Vessel shall arrive with Forg'd or Pretended Passports, they should Seize the same Vessel with her Tackle, Apparel and Lading, and put under close Confinement all the People belonging to the said Ship; and if any Officer or Minister be wanting in his Duty, with respect to what is herein prescribed, he shall be deprived of his Employments and forfeit his Estate, and be sent Prisoner home to these Kingdoms, where he shall undergo the severest Punishment; and they are also forbid, under the same Penalties, to suffer any Ship, be they of what Nation soever, to Trade unlawfully in any Port, Creek, Haven, Road or Coast whatsoever, in either of the said Kingdoms; for that the said Governors or Officers who shall have notice thereof, shall Seize the Vessels and secure the Criminals, and send them, together with the Informations of the Facts, to these Kingdoms, and having taken an Inventory of the Goods and Merchandise, they shall cause the same to be burnt in the open Market-Place; with the Assistance of the Officers of Justice of that Port or Place where the same shall have been Seized.

Hamburg, Decem. 15, N. S. Count Schonborn is set out from Vienna for Brunswick, where he is to preside at the Congress. His Imperial Majesty hath sent Six Regiments of Horse into the Bishoprick of Hildesheim. The Elector of Hanover and the Duke of Wolfenbuttle have likewise order'd all their Troops to return from the Upper Rhine, in order to support whatever is concluded at that Assembly, and to compel all Parties to acquiesce in the Agreements that shall be made there. Several Conferences upon the Affairs of Holstein have also been held at Weslin, between the Ministers of Muscovy, Denmark, Poland and Prussia, who have at last agreed upon certain Conditions that have been sent to the King of Denmark for his Ratification. On the 2d past, the Princess of Sweden was introduced into the Senate, and took her Place there in Quality of Regent, with the universal Applause of the People. She hath already conven'd the States of the Kingdom to meet on the 14th instant, and they are to settle the Succession, in case the King should happen to Die without Issue, and to consider of proper Measures for putting an end to this expensive and unhappy War. It is thought they will likewise send a solemn Deputation to his Majesty, to entreat him to return as soon as possible into his own Dominions. The Admiral of Muscovy, who commanded the Czar's Army in Finland, arriv'd on the 5th past at Petersbourg, with an Account of an Action that happen'd lately in that Province. The Swedish Army, consisting of Nine thousand Men, abandon'd Tavasthuys upon the approach of the Muscovites, and retired four Leagues from thence, posting themselves behind the River Peiken. The Admiral follow'd them, and resolv'd to attack them, notwithstanding their advantageous Situation, having a River and a double Entrenchment, well fortified with Palisadoes and Redoubts, before them. On each side was a great

Lake, which General Galizen was order'd to pass, to the Right of the Enemy, with Six thousand Men in Boats. At the same time the Admiral attack'd their Entrenchment in three Places, and after a Fight that lasted four Hours with great Bravery on each Side, the Swedes were routed, but rallied again at a Passage call'd Damersfors, which they afterwards quitted as the Muscovites drew near, leaving the whole Province at their Discretion. The Princess Regent of Sweden hath sent for Major-General Ducker, Governor of Wisnata, and appointed him to be Commander in Chief of the Troops of that Kingdom. They write from Adrianople, that the Ratifications of the Treaty between the Muscovites and the Turks were exchanged, but in that with Poland there remain'd some Difficulty about the Cession of Ukrain, which was insisted upon by the Port, and the Polish Minister would not consent to. However the Turkish Army, which had been assembled on the Frontiers of Poland, was beginning to separate, except a Body of Three thousand Men that continued near Cochim. We have been since inform'd, that the King of Sweden was return'd from Dermides to a Place within a little way of Adrianople, and that the Capigi-Bacha had acquainted his Majesty, by Order of the Port, that as soon as the Grand Signior had settled some Points in dispute with Poland, he was resolv'd to renew and confirm the Treaty of Carlowitz, and admit the Ambassador of the Republick to an Audience; That in pursuance of his Engagements he had agreed for a free and secure Passage for his Majesty through Poland into his own Dominions, with the consent of King Augustus: That he was desired to inform the Port what Sum of Money was necessary for his Journey, which he should be furnish'd with, in hopes he would pay it as soon as he arriv'd in his own Kingdom. The King of Sweden answer'd, That since the Port was determin'd not to contribute any more to the Restoration of King Stanislaus, he would not press them upon that Subject; he only desir'd they would suffer that unhappy Prince to go where he pleased, and not deliver him up to his Enemies. As for his own Journey, he would deliver in a Memorial, in which he would fix on a Day for his Departure; and he hoped the Port would send him away in a manner suitable to his Dignity.

Brussels, December 13, N. S. The Deputies sent by the Regency to establish Custom-houses in the Frontier-Places of the Dutch Barrier, returned hither some Days ago, having executed their Commission, and a free Trade is opened between those Countries and the rest of the Spanish Netherlands. The States of Hainault are now assembled at Mons, in order to deliberate upon the Proposals made them by the Regency, for satisfying the King of Prussia's Pretensions on that Province. This Morning Monsieur Fracala, one of the Council of Finances, and Monsieur Castillon, Secretary of Commerce, set out for Utrecht, being deputed by the Regency to confer further with the British and Dutch Commissioners, upon the Trade of the Spanish Netherlands. We have received advice from Radstat, that Prince Eugene and Marschal Villars continued their Conferences at that Place, and it was thought they would not part till the return of the expresses they had dispatch'd to the Courts of Vienna and Versailles.

Hague, December 19, N. S. On the 14th, the States of Holland separated for eight Days. The same Day the Baggage of the Dutch Buys and Go-