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Lyme, Jan. 14.

**Y**esterday was put into this Port by contrary winds, the *Morlaix Merchant* of Bristol, coming from *Morlaix* in Two days, laden with Locrams; the Master says he came out in company of one other of Bristol, and one of *Falmouth*, but was separated from them in foul weather.

*Portsmouth, Jan. 15.* On Friday last came to the *Spithead* a French man of War of about Thirty Guns, driven thither through hard weather and contrary winds, the Captain spoke himself bound for *Martinica*.

*Madrid, Dec. 18.* From *Tangier* they write that the Garrison and Mole there were in a very good condition, the latter having endured very great storms without the least damage, it being hoped that at present it is sufficient proof against all weather; that they have lately built a strong Fort upon the Mole, for the security of all ships in the Harbor against any attempt of the Moors, as likewise for the better defence of the Town; they further write, That some persons of that Garrison have lately taken a Moorish Boat, all her men escaping, save Two, who were killed in the rencounter; amongst other things they found Two Crowls of Paper, put in Purfes, and bound to Top-Mast, wherein were a sort of Charms, being certain Prayers to their Prophet *Mahomet*, and other of their Saints, against the danger of the seas, and their Christian Enemies. They add further, that they have of late settled there a more constant Concourse and Correspondence with Spain, by which means they may be more easily supplied with all necessaries from thence.

*Cadiz, Decemb. 20* We are daily expecting here Three Fregats under the Commands of Captain *Beach*, Captain *Bowen*, and Captain *Berry*, who we hear are on their way from *Malaga*, with a Fleet, of Thirty sail of Merchants ships under their Convoy towards the Southern Cape; and in their return will touch here, to take with them under their Convoy Seventeen or Eighteen ships at present riding in this Bay, and bound for several places in the *Streights*.

*Madrid, Dec. 24.* Here is lately arrived Signior *Contarini*, Ambassador from the Republick of *Venice*, and Two days since had his publick Audience, where he appeared with great splendor. The *Comde de Castriglio*, after having long languished, under a lingering disease, died here this week generally lamented for his great worth and merits. This week *Don Francisco de Guzman* was married to the Countess *Chinchan*, a Lady of great Quality in this Court; it is thought he will in a short time be made Captain General of *Galicia* in the room of the *Conde de Humanez*, designed Ambassador to the Prince Regent of *Portugal*.

We have advice that about the 20th past, the English *Newfoundland* Fleet, under the Convoy of Two Fregats, the *Swallow*, Captain *Lloyd*, and the *Kent*, Captain *Strickland* Commanders, arrived at *Cadiz*, to the number of 70 sail, whereof

Nine were bound for that place, the rest proceeding to the *Levant*. imported at *Malaga* the 26th of the same month, and leaving there some part of their number, passed the 6th instant by *Alicant*.

*Don Juan Bilbao*, sometime President of *Sancto Domingo*, and Captain General of *Hispaniola*, is lately made Governor of the *Canary Islands*. Letters from *Alicant* of the first instant tell us, that some Captives arrived there from *Argiers*, report, that the Turks there were very unwilling to go to sea, as well for fear of meeting with the English Fregats, as because they have of late got so little purchase.

Its said here, that *Don Diego de Portugal*, sometimes Governor of *Cartagena* in the *West Indies*, is to succeed *Don Francisco de Guzman* in *Gibraltar*, which is a Government of much consequence and esteem here.

*Madrid, Jan. 7.* The last week died here *Don Antonio de Vidania* of the Consejo Real, by whose death and those others formerly deceased, there are at present Six places vacant that Council, which are daily expected to be filled up, the beginning of the year being the usual time for bestowing such Graces in this Court. On the 5th instant at night, happened a fire in the street of the *Preciados*, which at the beginning was very violent, but by the care and timely assistance of the people that flocked thither, was happily quenched without any further damage, than the consuming of one house onely. The same evening happened a Quarrel between some of the *Portugal* Ambassadors servants, and others of this Town, where after sharp words being come to blows, a Postilion of the Ambassadors was killed, and Two of his Footmen desperately wounded: It is thought his Excellency will for the avoiding of the like mischiefs for the future, dismiss the greatest part of his *Portugal* servants, and take *Spaniards* in their rooms.

*Father Escanuela*, an eminent Preacher, of the Order of *St. Francis*, having been nominated by the Queen Regent to the Bishoprick of *Porto Rico* in the *West Indies*, was on Sunday last accordingly consecrated by the Popes Nuncio here, a thing which is not often practised, it being usual, that such Bishops which are elected to any See within the *Indies*, receive not their Consecration till they repair thither, in regard that some have afterwards excused themselves, from the voyage.

*Milan, Decemb. 31.* The 24th instant dyed here suddenly *Don Nicolo Fernando di Castro*, Knight of the Order of *St. Iago*, and President Extraordinary of the Courts of Justice here, being generally lamented for his great worth and exemplary integrity, of which he had given eminent testimony in the discharge of several great Employments, in which he hath served for many years; the 26th his Body was with all Pomp and Ceremony conveyed to *St. Mark's Church* in this City, accompanied by the Chief Ministers and Persons of Quality of this place, where a solemn Service having been performed, was interred in a new stately Tomb of the Knight of the said Order, which *Don Antonio Aliprandi*, one of them had formerly caused to