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Swanſey, January 19.

WE have lately had here such extream bad weather, as hath not been known for several years, which makes us hear daily of wracks, and ships lost upon these coasts, the last week a vessel of *Plymouth* called the *Pearl*, being bound hither, unfortunately in pieces; the like misfortune hath befallen several others in these parts, of which we have not as yet the particulars.

Warrmouth, Jan. 21. On the 18th instant came into this Port the *Rose* from *Malaga*, from whence she came in company of 40 sail of Merchant men, on the 16th of *December* last, who are hourly expected to pass up the *Channel*.

Portsmouth, Jan. 22. We have of late had here very much foul weather which hath occasioned the loss of several ships. The 19th instant a Dutch vessel laden with Wines and Brandy from *France*, was cast away upon the *Isle of Wight*; some of the men were saved, but all the Goods were together with the ship lost; some other ships have likewise perished in these parts in the late stormes, amongst others, we hear of Two *Holland* vessels more, coming from *France* with Wines, that have been lost off the *Isle of Wight*, and of the Seamen having been drowned, though some part of their lading was driven on shoar, and taken up by the Inhabitants.

Venice, Jan. 2. Some days agoe dyed here the Marquis *Arriberti*, leaving an Estate of many thousand Crowns, which, having no Children of his own to inherit it, he has given to a noble but poor Family here upon condition they should with his Moneys assume his Name and Titles, which they have accordingly done. Here is lately arrived a vessel from *Zante* with Venetian prisoners, who upon the Exchange that is now making with the Turks, were there released, the said vessel will in few days return again to bring off many others who are now set at liberty, and are expecting a conveniency of being transported hither. Our last Letters from *Constantinople* tell us, that Monsieur *Nuintel*, Ambassador from his most Christian Majesty, was going to *Adrianople* to have his First Audience of the Grand Signior, who continues still there very much incensed against the Janisaries, for the affronts they have of late committed against his Power and Authority; and they farther say, that he hath cast off all thoughts of a foreign war, till he hath overcome those disorders and factions at home, and is accordingly resolved to march in few days to *Constantinople* with a considerable force, to revenge himself on those that have so obstinately hitherto opposed him. We have advice from *Candia*, that there hath lately happened a fire, which almost consumed the whole Town, most of the houses having been built of wood, taking fire, were immediately destroyed: our Letters farther say, that they are there in great want of people to plough and cultivate the ground; the great Taxes and Impositions having disheartened many from going thither,

who otherwise would have gone, and that many who are there, would willingly come away again; for besides other exactions, they have of late turned out of the Town all such as sold Wine and other strong drinks, to the great inconvenience of strangers.

A vessel lately arriving here from *Athens*, the Master reports, that the Captain *Bassa* was at *Scio*, with a Squadron of Forty two Gallies, repairing the damage they lately received by foul weather, meaning so soon as that was done, to put out to sea again, but whither he intended, was yet a secret.

From *Dalmatia* we hear daily of the good success that is suddenly expected from the conferences between the *Bassa* of *Bosnia* and the General *Barbaro*, about regulating the limits, in which matter it is said they are already well advanced. Here hath been lately a report, that the Grand Signior had entered into *Constantinople* with his Army, and had utterly destroyed the faction of the Sultaneſs, who they say is fled with her two sons, but of this we expect farther confirmation.

They likewise speak of a great fire that hath lately happened at *Constantinople*, which lasted Two days, and destroyed great part of that City, of which we have as yet no farther particulars.

Stockholm, Decemb. 24. Yesterday the King, together with the Queen His Mother, and the whole Court went to pass their *Christmas* at *Jacobſdal*, a very pleasant place belonging to the Queen, and distant about four Miles from hence, whither their Majesties, to take the pleasure of the season, were pleased to go in their Sleds, which were very rich, and wrought in a most curious manner; the Kings being managed by the Master of His Horse, and the Queens, by Her Great Chamberlain; in the meantime two Senators continually attend the King for His better information in the affairs of the Publick, and it is said, That at His return He will take His place in the Senate, where He will especially be present on post days, when all publick Letters are read and answered.

The Twenty first instant, the Resident of *Denmark* who hath remained in this Court for several years, with the esteem and respect of all the Nobility, had his last audience of their Majesties, whether he was conducted with the usual ceremonies, and it is thought he may in few days begin his journey home.

From *Poland* they write, That that King was sending an Ambassador hither, to negotiate a stricter Alliance between the two Crowns, and that he might suddenly be expected here. It is reported, that the Regency here have given orders for the fitting out 26 stout Fregats against next Summer.

From *Moscovy* we have very uncertain news. Our last Letters say, that the Rebels have had some small skirmish with a party of the Emperors forces, and are worsted by them; but that the loss was counted so inconsiderable, that it would scarce put any stop to their intended march towards *Moskow*.

Malrid, Jan. 7. From *Palermo* we have advice, that the Prince de *Ligne*, Vice-Roy of *Sicily*, fearing some attempt from the Turks this Summer, was making all necessary preparations for the strengthening