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Plymouth, Feb. 24.

Here is lately failed from this Port, the *Mari-gold*, the *Mary*, and *John*, Merchant men; the Two first bound for *Newfoundland*, and the other for the *West-Indies*; our *Newfoundland* Fisher-men are still in Port, but ready to sail with the first opportunity.

Portsmouth, Feb. 26. The 25th instant the *Orange-tree*, some days before arrived in this Port from *Barmudaes*, laden with Oranges and other Fruits of that Countrey, failed for *London*.

Rome, Feb. 11. The 11th instant the Marquis *de Soragna*, Ambassador from the Duke of *Parma*, had his first publick Audience of the Pope, whither he was conducted with the usual Ceremonies, and the same day the Pope disposed of several vacant Bishopricks.

The Cardinal *Altieri* hath acquainted the Sacred Colledge as likewise the foreign Ambassadors at present residing here, together with the Princes and persons of Quality of this Court, with the Marriage lately concluded between his Niece and the Duke *de Gravina Orsino*, who have all been to compliment them upon that subject.

Don *Pedro d' Arragon* having by an Expres from *Madrid* received instructions from the Queen Regent, to dispatch with all the haste he conveniently may his Embassy in this Court, in order to his return to *Naples*, where the affairs of that kingdom seem to require his speedy presence, hath accordingly acquainted the Pope therewith, intending, immediately after his having been entertained for three days in the Popes Palace, as Vice Roy of *Naples*, according to what was agreed on before his arrival in that particular, to take his leave of his Holiness, and to depart towards the later end of the next week on his way to *Naples*.

The Pope having received a Letter from his most Christian Majesty, wherein he seems to complain of his not having at the last promotion, bestowed a Cardinals Cap on the Bishop of *Laon*, at his recommendation, hath promised to satisfy his Majesty very suddenly in that matter.

The Abbot *Colonna*, now Prince *de Sonind*, having been the 4th instant to acquaint the Pope with his intended marriage with the *Signora Cleria Cesari*, and having received his Benediction thereupon, was the same day married to the said Lady in the Church of *Santa Catharina de Siena* in the presence of most of their relations, and other persons of the greatest quality about Town.

Madrid, Feb. 18. The 5th instant Monsieur *Van Beverning*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the States-General of the *United Provinces*, arrived within three Leagues of this place, from whence he came privately to Town, to give directions for the furnishing his House, which is the same the Baron *de Barteville* was formerly lodged in, and to dispose things in order to his publick entry, which it is said may now be in few days.

On the 12th instant Don *Antonio de Cordoua*, who hath been for some time prisoner here, and who upon his examination confessed himself to have been

the Author and contriver of those jealousies and misunderstandings which have formerly been between Don *Juan of Austria* and the Ministers of this Court, and more especially the Conde *de Miranda*, whom he accused to his Highness of having a design to poison him, was according to a sentence, passed against him in the Council Royal, for endeavouring to raise sedition and disturbances in the Government, brought to the Market place, where his throat was cut by the publick Officer of Justice, a kind of death onely peculiar in case of such crimes, to those that are of more then ordinary extraction. His Brother continues still a prisoner, though for crimes of another nature, and as is said, may suddenly be likewise brought to condigne punishment. The King is at present perfectly recovered, to the great joy of her Majesty and the whole Court, and hath been abroad again since his late indisposition.

Vicenna, Feb. 14. This Court is dispatching an Envoye to the Grand Signior, with very rich Presents, to assure him of his Imperial Majesties intentions to maintain inviolably the peace at present established between the two Empires, and to divert the Port from countenancing the Rebels in *Hungary*, who it is said continue still their solicitations for protection from thence, to which end they have privately sent their Deputies thither, to endeavor by all possible means to prevail upon the Grand Vizier; but that hitherto they have not received the least encouragement from him, to hope for any success.

Here is lately sent from hence, by Order of the Council of war, Commissioners towards the frontiers of *Hungary*, to take an account of the present condition of the Militia in those parts, that upon their return, care may be taken for the providing of whatever may be wanting there.

Some days since arrived an Extraordinary Courier from Prince *Abassi*, with Letters to the Emperor, humbly desiring his Imperial Majesties favour and clemency on the behalf of those Hungarian Gentlemen, who upon the opening the present Commission at *Presbourg*, left their Countreys, as refusing to appear before those Commissioners, where they thought they might be somewhat hardly dealt with; how far the Emperor may be wrought upon in their favour, is not yet known.

By the last Letters from *Westphalia*, the Emperor having been informed of the little likelihood there seems as yet to be of any accommodation between the Princes of *Lunenburgh* and the Bishop of *Munster*, and fearing lest those differences might occasion some further disturbance to the Empire, hath sent to the neighbouring Princes and Electors to interpose their Mediation for the adjusting that matter.

Venise, Feb. 21. The Process which was heretofore carried on with so much eagerness, against Captain-General *Morofini*, is now finished, and in few days a report will be made to the Senate, of all that there passed, which as is said, will prove much to the honour and reputation of the said Captain-General, who having overcome the first shock of those that appeared so violently against him, stood retorted all their malice, and contrivance upon them-