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Falmouth, March 8.

Here is at present in Port the *Bonadventure* of London, bound with Pilchards for the Canaries; the *Olive-branch* and *Success* of Plymouth, bound for Newfoundland. Two days since arrived here the *Falmouth Merchant* laden with Oyl from Portugal, with another in her company, from the same place, both bound for London.

Waymouth, March 11. A French vessel lately arrived in this Port from *Charante*, the Master tells us, that there were making ready about 20 sail of men of war, who it was said, were suddenly to goe to *Brest*, to joyn with those that are there fitting out, which with about 25 sail more, expected from *Thoulon*, may make up a Fleet of 60 stout men of war; he further says, that the Fleet of Merchant men lately returned from the *East Indies*, were riding under *Belle-Ile*, not having performed their voyage with that advantage to their Principals, as was expected at their setting out, which we have confirmed by another vessel come in here from *Cherbourg*; the Scamen moreover adding that several Barques and other small vessels are daily sent from those parts with Corn, Oats, and other Grain for *Flinders*, for the subsistence of the French forces there.

Rome, Feb. 22. Several persons of Quality, who by the Popes appointment accompanied *Don Pedro d' Arragon* to the Frontiers of the Ecclesiastical Dominions, are come back again; and have given his Holines an account that they left his Excellency in very good health, so far advanced on his way towards *Naples*, where it is said he will not stay above three or four months in Quality of Vice-Roy, and then return to *Madrid* to be Governor to the King: It is reported that the *Marquis d' Afforgas*, ordinary Ambassador in this Court from the Crown of Spain, may succeed his Excellency in that Government, though some seem much to doubt it.

The Pope having some time since bestowed the Government of this City, upon Signior *Bevilacqua*; he hath accordingly taken possession of it, having been this day to attend the Pope for the first time, since his admission into the said charge.

From *Bologne* we have advice, that there hath lately happened some disturbance amongst the people, occasioned by the Cardinal *Palavicino*, Legate of that Countrey, going about to encrease the Rates of Bread, inasmuch that the said Cardinal had been forced to retire himself for some time, but that all things were at length well quieted again.

Vienna, Feb. 28. The 24th instant the Count *de Rothal*, together with several others of the Commissioners, appointed by the Emperor for the trial of such of the Hungarian Nobility as were parties in the late rebellion, departed from hence on their way towards *Presbourg*, where they are to meet the 10th of the next month for that purpose.

His Imperial Majesty hath been pleased to grant a free pardon to the Prince *Ragotski* for all that is passed, provided he immediately pay 200 thousand Crowns to be employed for his Imperial Majesties

service in *Upper Hungary*; that he send the like sum hither, and that he quit all his right and pretension to the Fortres of *Frenschin*.

Here is lately returned Count *Mansfield* from *Florence*, where he hath been in quality of Envoy Extraordinary from the Emperor, extremely satisfied with his reception and entertainment in that Court.

In few days may depart from hence Monsieur *Peris*, designed Envoy from his Imperial Majesty to the Grand Signior; the Presents and other his necessary dispatches, being all ready to be put into his hands.

The Rebels in *Hungary* have made new applications to the Emperor for the obtaining their general pardon, which makes men judge, that they find their hopes of succor from the Port quite frustrated. We are told that the Empress is with Child again, to the great joy of this Court, and the people here.

Genoua, March 4. The 26th past arrived here the *Ferusalem*, Captain *Wilsire*, from *Alicant*, *Cadix*, and *Lisbonne*, having been separated about 16 days since in the *Gulph of Lyons*, by a violent storm from the *Newcastle* and *Dragon*, English Fregats; the former spent her Main Mast, and as is thought, put into *Port Mahon*, and the other, as we hear, is since arrived at *Legorn*.

Legorn, March 2. The *Fersey* Fregat, Captain *Port*, is arrived in this Port from *Zant*, with 6 Merchant men under his Convoy, the *Dragon* Fregat lately put in here, may in few days sail again from hence for *Argiers*, where Sir *Edward Spragg* intends to be likewise very suddenly.

Paris, March 18. The 14th instant the Marriage between the Duke *de Ventadour*, and Mademoiselle *d' Handancourt*, second Daughter to the Mareshalle *de la Morre*, was celebrated at *S. Germain* by the Archbishop of *Auche*, Uncle to the young Lady, in the presence of the Duke *d' Enguyen*, the Duke, and Dutchess *de Longueville*, and several other persons of the chiefest Quality, who assisted at that Ceremony, with much Splendor and Gallantry; which being ended, they were all entertained at Dinner by the said Mareshalle *de la Morre*, with all imaginable Magnificence. The Count *d' Estree* is some days since arrived here from *Rochelle* to receive his Majesties directions for the disposing of those ships which were abroad with him, and which are at present in that Port.

Monsieur *Friquignoni*, late Envoy in this Court from the Duke of *Savoy*, is departed from hence on his way to *Turin*; the Abbot *Digni* succeeding him in his employment here.

The 16th instant the new invented Bridge, made here by the Kings Order, to be taken in pieces, and set together again on the place, as occasion requires, and so become portable to follow the Army for their passing any River in their march, was shown to the King, who seemed very well pleased with it, and hath ordered it to be laid up in the Arsenal, till the Troops begin their march.

It is here said, that Monsieur *d' Almeras* hath received directions to goe to sea with a Squadron of 15 men of war, at present fitting out at *Thoulon*, to be employed against the Corsairs of *Barbary*; for the bringing those Pirats to a peace with this Crown, to which