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Naples, December 14.

ON the 11th of this Month, Count Gallas, the Emperour's Ambassadour to the Court of Rome, arrived here from thence, having been received at some Distance by the Marquess Stella, Captain of the Guards, at the Head of two Troops of Horse, and four of Foot, and was complimented at his Entrance into the City by Count Anghillara, Chamberlain to the Viceroy: He alighted at the Palace, where an Apartment had been magnificently fitted up for his Reception. He declined the Visits of Compliment offered by the Collateral Council, and by the other principal Persons in the Government, but there have been long Conferences between him and the Viceroy on the present Difference with the Court of Rome. The Royal Officers have taken into Sequestration all the Revenues of vacant Benefices, and all that used to be received by the Apostolical Collector, even the Annual Contributions towards keeping in Repair the Cathedral of St. Peter at Rome. On the Arrival of a Courier from Vienna a Report is spread, that some German Regiments are to march down to these Parts of the Coast of the Adriatick which belong to the House of Austria, thence to be transported to this Kingdom, but no Order is yet given for fitting out Transports to fetch them.

Rome, Dec. 21. On the 15th Instant died Sig. Rigio, Bishop of Catania, who had a long Time resided here, having been banished Sicily by the chief Tribunal of that Kingdom, for having been the forwardest of all the Clergy there to signalize his Zeal for the Interests of the Court of Rome. The Pope, to whom he bequeathed what he had here, gave Order that his Funeral should be very magnificent; and he was interred in the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore, the Chapter of that Church, the Officers of the Palace, and above 80 Prelates assisting at his Obsequies, which were performed with the same Ceremonies are used at those of Cardinals. On the 16th arrived an Express from Naples, with Advice that the Annual Contributions of that Kingdom towards keeping up the Works of St. Peter's Church,

which amount to above Sixteen Thousand Crowns, are sequestred; and that the Collateral Council have assumed all the Authority which the Nuncio had; as to the receiving the usual Revenues in the Name of the Apostolical Chamber; that they had also declared, that the Pensions of the Cardinals who do not reside in that Kingdom, shall be stop'd; and that the Revenues of Benefices possessed by Foreigners, should be put into Sequestration. Cardinal Orsini, Archbishop of Benevento, had been at Naples, to use his Endeavours for an Accommodation, but without Success. We are expecting the Return of a Courier who was some Days ago dispatched to Vienna by the Pope, with Letters for the Emperour and the Empress-Mother, touching this Difference.

Copenhagen, Jan. 4. On the 26th of last Month Rear-Admiral Kaas returned into Port, with three Men of War with which he had been cruising some Days in the Baltick, without having seen one Swedish Ship. These Men of War had lost some Anchors and Masts in the stormy Weather, and were otherwise damaged so that they could not keep the Sea any longer. Some Frigates keep out still, but 'tis expected will soon come into Port. Our last Letters from Norway advised, that all was quiet there, but that Provisions were become extreme dear. The Convoy of Meal and Corn which is to be sent from hence to that Country, is not yet ready. Count Wedel, Field-Marshal of his Danish Majesty's Forces, and Governour of the County of Oldembourg, dyed last Week.

Venice, Dec. 31. On the 22d Instant the Obsequies of Sig. Lodovico Flangini, late Captain Extraordinary of the Fleet, were solemnized with great Pomp in the Church of the barefooted Carmelites, which was hung with Mourning, and with Scutcheons of the Arms of the Deceased. A large Mausoleum was raised in the Midst of the Church, adorned with Statues and Military Trophies; and on the Coffin were laid the Helmet and Sword. Mass was performed by several Choirs of the best Musicians and Voices of this City, in the Presence of a great Number of Nobles and Officers. The Patriarch officiated, and