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Lisbon, November 19.

THE King of Portugal has nominated for Governour of the Rio de Janeiro, Don Ayres de Saldanha de Albuquerque, Gentleman of the Bed-Chamber to the Infante D. Antonio; he succeeds Don Antonio de Britto de Menezes, who is recalled on Account of the Complaints that have been sent home against him. By the Esperanca Sloop that came from the Island of St. Michael, and arrived here the 10th Instant, we have Advice, that on the 14th past there was so great a Hurricane in the Western Islands, that 38 or 40 Ships of several Nations were lost, some of them with their Loading; and that in St. George's Castle in the Terceira many of the Buildings were ruined, and in some Places Trees were torn up by the Roots; likewise many Barks were lost. The last Letters from Madrid bring Advice, that the Troops sent against the Biscayners, had been ordered to halt till others should join them; and that they are making Magazines at Burgos: Sir Patrick Lawless, an Irishman, is to command those Forces, and not Don Blas de L'oya as was at first reported. The 14th Instant arrived here his Britannick Majesty's Ships the Dragon and Rye, and under their Convoy the Newfoundland Fleet.

Madrid, Nov. 14. The Duke of St. Aignan, Ambassadour of France, is preparing to set out from hence the End of this Week on his Return to Paris. The Court having been informed, that the French Merchants and Factors in the Ports and Towns of Spain, were conveying away and otherwise securing their Effects, left upon the Rupture which is expected they should be seized; it has been judged proper to dispatch a Circular Decree in the King's Name to acquaint them, that they may continue in their Habitations and carry on their Commerce safely, promising on his Royal Faith and Word, that the Misunderstand-

ing between him and the Regent of France, shall not induce him to give them any Disturbance, for the Love he bears to their Nation. Two Expresses from Guipuscoa have brought Advice, that the Inhabitants of Three or Four Places had thrown off their Obedience to the King, had burnt some of the chief Houses of those Places, had joined the Malecontents who were before in Arms, and it was reported they had all resolved to march towards Vitoria, where that Report had caused such a Consternation that several Families retired from thence. The Deputies of Guipuscoa here, have sent an Account of this to Court, with a Memorial desiring the most speedy and proper Means may be used to prevent this Revolt from spreading further: But tho' Three Days are past since, the said Deputies have not yet received any Answer, which Delay is imputed to the Court's waiting to hear that the Troops have penetrated into Biscay with Success. 'Tis advised from the Provinces, that the raising of new Levies is carried on with great Diligence, and 'tis rumoured that a Council of War will shortly be held, to consider of further Enterprizes. Orders are sent to the Eight Battallions of Spanish and Walloon Guards in Sicily, to return to Spain. Collonel Stanhope's Departure from hence, is fixed to the 16th Instant.

Paris, Nov. 30. A printed Declaration in the Name of the King of Spain, has been privately dispersed here, in which he notifies, that a Report spread by ill-designing Persons of his intending to cause all the Effects of French Merchants in his Dominions to be seized, is false and groundless; that though there should be a Rupture, he will allow them a whole Year to dispose of or remove their Effects, or else give them Leave to settle unmolested where they are, if they had rather: It concludes with Professions of great Regard and Kindness to our Nation. This Declaration has been sent by the Post to several Merchants and Bankers. On the