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**T**HE Abbot du Bois, Secretary of State, has written a Circular Letter to the several Foreign Ministers residing at this Court, and particularly to the Earl of Stair, His Britannick Majesty's Ambassadour, the Copy of which follows;

My LORD, *Paris, Dec. 14.*  
**A**S what passed Yesterday with relation to the Prince de Cellamare, will doubtless excite the publick Attention, and 'as the King is desirous to make known' the Motives of his Resolutions when they may concern Sovereign Powers; His Majesty has commanded me to acquaint your Excellency, that it was not till after there were found, by an unexpected Accident, in a Packer which the Prince de Cellamare had entrusted to a Person who was going to Spain, Proofs under that Ambassadour's own Hand, of his Abuse of the Character with which he is vested, in inciting the King's Subjects to a Revolt; and the Plan of the Conspiracy which he had formed, to destroy the Government and Tranquility of the whole Kingdom; that his Majesty was induced to take the Resolution to put him under the Guard of one of the Gentlemen in ordinary of his Household, and to oblige him to seal up with his own Seal, joint-

ly with that of his Royal Highness the Regent, the Papers of his Embassy, to prevent their being convey'd out of the way. This is what His Majesty has ordered me to signify to your Excellency, that you may inform the King your Master of it, till what arises from this important Discovery be set forth in its full Light. I can at the same time assure your Excellency, that the indispensable Necessity of taking Care on this Occasion of the Tranquility of the People, was the only Motive that could have wrought upon his Majesty to secure himself, by the Measures he has taken, against the dangerous Practices of the Prince of Cellamare; and that it was not without great Repugnance he prevailed with himself to take this Resolution, though it be accompanied with all the Regard and all the Marks of Consideration possible for the Ambassadour of a Prince, whose Friendship will be ever dear to him, and who is incapable of entering into such pernicious Designs. I beg your Excellency to believe that I am intirely, my Lord, your Excellency's most humble and most obedient Servant,

DU BOIS.

*Paris, Dec. 14.* The following Piece has been published here by Authority.

That

**T**HAT the Publick may be informed upon what Grounds his Majesty took the Resolution the 9th of this present Month, to send home the Prince of Cellamare, Ambassadour of the King of Spain, and to order one of the Gentlemen in ordinary of his Household to accompany him to the Frontier of Spain, the Copies are printed of two Letters from that Ambassadour to Cardinal Alberoni, of the 1st and 2d of this Month, signed by the said Ambassadour, and written all with his own Hand, and without Cypher, viz.

## L E T T E R S

From the Prince de Cellamare the King of Spain's Ambassadour in France, one of which had this Superscription, *Para S. Em<sup>o</sup>, for his Eminency*, and the other, *En mano propria de S Em<sup>o</sup>. to be delivered into his Eminency's own Hand*. Each of them being inclosed in a Cover which had no Superscription.

Em.<sup>no</sup> e Rev.<sup>o</sup> Sig.<sup>re</sup> mio Prone Col.<sup>mo</sup>

**H**O stimato più necessaria la cautela della sollecitudine nel prescegliere il modo di trasmettere a V. E. l'accluse scritte, e però ho posto questo piego in mano di D. Vincenzo Portocarrero fratello del Conte del Montijo, che passa costì, incaricandoli con somma premura di consegnarlo all' E. V. è l'ho sigillato doppiamente, e munito con due sopracarte. Trovera V. E. in esso due minute diverse di Manifesti, segnate con li numeri 10 e 20, le quali anno disposte li nostri operarii, credendo che quando si abbia da metter fuoco alla mina, abbiano di servire di preliminar dell' incendio. Una di esse e correlativa alle istanze della Nazione Francese, delle quali mandai un esemplare con il mio corriere straordinario a V. E. L'altra senza aver rapporto alle sopramentovate istanze, espone gli aggravii alli quali soggiace questo Regno, appoggiando su questo fondamento le risoluzioni di S. M. e cercando la convocazione delli Stati. In caso che per nostra disgratia siamo costretti di ricorrere a gl' estremi rimedii, e di dar principio alle imprese, converra, che S. M. eligga una di queste due vie, e che riconosca la scrittura segnata n. 30, nella quale li nostri parziali si avanzano a riverentemente proporli tutti quelli mezzi, che stimano convenienti, anzi necessari per l'adempimento de nostri desiderii, per evitare i malori che si prevedano imminenti, e per assicurare

Most Eminent and Reverend Lord my most Honoured Patron,

**I** Have judged it more necessary to use Precaution, than Expedition, in choosing the Means of conveying to your Eminency the inclosed Papers; wherefore I have put this Packet into the Hands of Don Vincenzo Portocarrero, Brother to the Count of Montijo, who is going to you, charging him very carefully to deliver it to your Eminency, and I have double sealed it, and put it under two Covers. Your Eminency will find in it two different Minutes of Manifestoes, marked with the Numbers 10 and 20, which our Workmen have drawn up, believing that when all is ready for springing the Mine, they may serve for a Prelude to the Fire. One of these Minutes is conformable to the Instances of the French Nation, of which I sent a Copy to your Eminency by my extraordinary Courier. The other, without having Relation to those Instances, sets forth the Grievances which this Kingdom is under, placing on that Foundation his Majesty's Resolutions, and requiring the convening of the States. In case it should be our Misfortune to be obliged to have Recourse to Extremities, and to begin the Enterprizes, it will be convenient his Majesty should chuse one of those

rare la vita di S. M. C.<sup>ma</sup> & il publico riposo. La scrittura segnata N<sup>o</sup>. 40. è un compendio di varie cose accadute in tempo di altre minorità, il quale può servire d'istruzione valevole à regolare molte di quelle misure, che nel caso presente si devono prendere. Per ultimo mando à V. E. nelli fogli separati con il n. 45. un catalogo delli nomi, e delle qualità di tutti quelli ufficiali francesi, che cercano impiego nel Servizio di S. M. e con vista di tutte queste memorie porrà V. E. consultare, & il Rè risolvete quello che stimerà più confacente al suo servizio. Se la guerra e le violenze ci costringano à metter mano à ferri, bisognerà farla prima, che ci indeboliscano l'insulti; e prima che li nostri operarii perdano il coraggio, senza risparmiare ne il tempo, ne le offerte, ne il danaro. Se saremo costretti ad accettare una pace simulata per mantenere qui il fuoco sotto le ceneri, bisognerà pure darli qualche moderato alimento, e se la divina misericordia distruggesse le gelosie, e le molte soddisfazioni presenti, bastarà per obbligo di gratitudine proteggere, e favorire quelli capi principali, che al presente con tanto zelo s'interessano nel servizio de' nostri Padroni; e disprezando i loro pericoli. Fin che S. M. non pigli risoluzioni decisive, io procuro mantener viva la loro buona volontà, e l'allontanò da tutti l'impegni, e riverentemente mi rassegnò dell' E. V.

Parigi 10. di Dec. 1718.

P. S. Oltre tutte le sopramentionate scritture, rimetto à V. E. quella segnata con il n. 50. nella quale si dilucida la forza, & il valore delle due minute diverse delli Manifesti, e prevengo à V. E. che a riguarda delle Variazioni occorse, si è pensato scostarsi da

those two Ways, and that he should examine the Paper marked N<sup>o</sup>. 30. which our Party take the Liberty to propose to him, with Respect, all the Means which they judge convenient, or rather necessary for accomplishing our Desires for avoiding the Calamities which are perceived to be coming on; and for securing the Life of his most Christian Majesty, and the publick Quiet. The Paper marked N<sup>o</sup>. 40. is an Abstract of various Things which happened in the Time of other Minorities; it may serve as a sufficient Instruction, for regulating many those Measures which ought to be taken in the present Case. Lastly, I send you your Eminency, in separate Sheets marked N<sup>o</sup>. 45, a List of the Names and Qualities of all those French Officers, who desire Employment in his Majesty's Service. And after, your Eminency has read these Papers, you may give your Advice upon them, and the King may take such Resolutions as he shall judge most conducive to his Service. If War and Violence compel us to put our Hand to the Work we ought to do it before the Attacks made upon us have weakened us, and before our Workmen lose Courage, without flinching at Time, Offers, or Money. If we be obliged to accept a feigned Peace it will be necessary for keeping the Fire alive here under the Ashes, to supply with some moderate Fuel; and if the divine Mercy should allay the present Troubles and Dissatisfactions, less cannot be done, in Gratitude due from us, than protect and favour the Principal Leaders who now labour with so much Zeal in the Service of our Masters, despising the Dangers to which they are exposed. In the mean while, and till his Majesty take decisive Resolutions, I do my Part to keep up their good Disposition, and I do whatever might abate it. I am with Respect your Eminency's, &c.

Paris, December 1, 1718.

P. S. Besides the Papers above-mentioned, I transmit to your Eminency the Paper marked N<sup>o</sup>. 50, which sets forth the Strength and Weight of the two different Minutes of the Manifestoes; and I acquaint your Eminency, that because

da quella che io mandai con l'espresso con data del 10. di Agosto. Em. e R. mo. S. P. O. N. P. di Cellamare.

Em. e Rev. Sig. mio Prone Col. mo.

**L** principale autore de nostri disegni m'incaricò premurosamente mesi sono, d'incaricare a V. E. l'acclusa lettera, e di accompagnare con officii e con attestazioni vivime le istanze di Mr. . . . io ho dilatato questa commissione sì che non ho havuto finora occasione di non esporre a qualche pericolo le sacrete; e presentemente dirò a V. E. che ente parlare di questo soggetto come di perdita di gran merito; e che l'interesse che tutto Ratto prende nelle sue convenienze è grandissimo e istato pure proposto l'introdurre il servizio di S. M. Mr. . . . huomo di natura; e perchè viene raccomandato da questi operanti, l'ho distinto del commune catalogo che trasmetto a V. E. In oltre questi mi avna detto, che possono disporre del volontà di Mr. . . . che è quello il quale già dal Regentè chiamato per commovere, cono essi affermano, li Micheletti di Catalonia; e vorrebbero assicurarsene maggiormente con qualche gratificazione annuale, o Pensione.

Memore delle risposte che V. E. diede alle proposizioni del 10. di Agosto passato, devo significarli che le credenziali che si cercavano no da applicarsi alle offerte, alle richieste, alle proposizioni che secondo le congiunture essi io fare alli Parlamenti, al corpo della biltà & alli Stati generali, e che pero dono esser distese come in forma di Plenipotenza, la quale dourebbe nello stesso tempo re limitata da istruzioni di S. M. per governo.

Quando si abbia da metter mani à ferri, gnard che S. M. scriva à tutti li Parlamenti in quella conformità che ha già fatto uello di Parigi, la di cui Lettera restà sitata nelle mie mani, e par la via ordinaria

the Changes which have happened, it has been thought proper to set aside that which I sent by Express dated the 1st of August. Your Eminency's most humble, &c. N. Prince of Cellamare.

Most Eminent and Reverend Lord my most Honoured Patron.

**T**HE Principal Author of our Designs charged me earnestly, some Months ago, to forward to your Eminency the inclosed Letter, and to accompany the Instances of M. . . . with the warmest Recommendations and good Offices. I deferred Executing this Commission, till I had a safe Opportunity, without exposing the Secret to any Danger. I will now acquaint your Eminency, that I hear this Person talked of, as one of great Merit; and that the Concern the whole Parry have for his Interests, is great. It has been proposed to me, to introduce into his Majesty's Service M. . . . a Man of Quality; and because he is recommended to me by our Workmen, I have distinguished him from the general List which I send to your Eminency. Further, these Gentlemen have told me, that they can influence M. . . ., who is the Person that was sent for hither by the Regent, to excite, as they affirm, the Miquelets of Catalonia to rise, and they would make themselves yet more sure of him by some Annual Gratification or Pension.

As to the Answers which your Eminency made to my Propositions of the 1st of August last, I am to acquaint you, that the Credentials which were desired, were to be made use of with the Offers, the Demands, and the Propositions, which I should make, as Occasion might serve, to the Parliaments, to the Body of the Nobility, and to the States General of the Kingdom; and for this End they were to be drawn up in the Form of a Full Power, which should at the same Time be limited by his Majesty's Instructions for my Conduct.

When 'tis Time to set our Hands to the Work, it will be necessary for his Majesty to write to all the Parliaments, conformably to the Letter which he has already written to the Parliament of Paris,

*ngaria mandard à V. E. un catalogo del numero delli detti Parlamenti e del modo come devono regularsi le soprascritte.*

*Potrebbe durante le presenti borasche accadere, il che Dio non voglia, qualche disgratia a S. M. Ch.<sup>ma</sup> e supplico V. E. di riflettere, che mancando la vita pretiosa di questo Monarca, io mi troverei confuso, mancandomi le necessarie istruzioni per operare. Potrebbe altresì accadere che il S.<sup>r</sup> Duca di Orleans venisse à mancare, nel qual caso mi troverei pure in gravissime perturbationi, in ordine al nuovo metodo che potrebbe la Regenza prendere, e che si dovesse o no per parte di S. M. facilitare.*

*Il S.<sup>r</sup> Duca di Chartres potrebbe pretendere entrare nel luogo del Padre, e per vincere gli ostacoli della sua tenera età, sottoporsi ad un Consiglio consimile a quello che avera nel suo Testamento istituito il monarca defonto. Potrebbe pure il S.<sup>r</sup> Duca di Borbone pretendere in esclusione del giovane Duca di Chartres assumere quella autorità assoluta che presentemente il S.<sup>r</sup> Duca di Orleans esercita, & a noi conviene prevedere questi casi e prescegliere quelli partiti che sono più utili per il servizio di S. M. Li di cui affezionati servitori Francesi inclinano più al primo che al secondo, & io riverentemente mi rassegnò di V. E.*

*Parigi 2. di Dec.<sup>re</sup> 1718. Devot.<sup>mo</sup> e Ubbid. serv.<sup>re</sup> N. P.<sup>e</sup> di CELLAMARE.*

ris, and which remains deposited in my Hands; and I will send by the ordinary Way to your Eminency, a List of the Number of the said Parliaments, and the Form to be observed in the Supercriptions.

In the present Commotions some Misfortune, which God avert, might befall his most Christian Majesty; and I beseech your Eminency to reflect that if the precious Life of this Monarch should come to fail, I should be embarrassed, for want of necessary Instructions to act. It might also happen, that the Duke of Orleans might come to fail, in which Case I should be in very great Perplexity on Account of the new Form which the Regency might take, and of those Designs which it might be convenient for his Majesty to facilitate or not.

The Duke of Chartres might pretend to step into his Father's Place, and for removing the Objections to his Youth, submit to a Council like that which the late King had constituted by his Will. The Duke of Bourbon might likewise pretend, in Exclusion of the young Duke of Chartres, to the absolute Authority which the Duke of Orleans now exercises; and it behoves us to foresee these Cases, and to fall in with that Party which will best promote his Majesty's Service. His zealous French Servants, are more inclined to the first than to the second.

I am with Respect,

Your Eminency's

Most Devoted and most

Paris, 2 Dec. Obedient Servant

1718.

N. Prince of Cellamare.

When the King's Service, and the necessary Precautions for the Security and Quiet of the State will permit the publishing of the Projects, Manifestoes and Pieces referred to in these two Letters, all the Particulars will appear of the detestable Conspiracy laid by the said Ambassadour, to make a Revolution in the Kingdom:

Whitehall,

wrong bound.

Whitehall, Dec. 8.

Whereas the Chambers of John Browne, Esq; one of the Benchers of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's-Inn, were on Friday Night last broke open by several Persons in Masks, arm'd with Swords and Pistols, who surpris'd the said Mr. Browne in his Bed, bound him, and barbarously us'd him, taking from him in Money, Rings, Gold Watch, and other Things of Value, 120 l. and upwards: His Majesty is pleas'd to promise His most Gracious Pardon to any one of the Persons concern'd in the said Fact, who shall discover any of his Accomplices, so as they or any of them may be Apprehended and Convicted.

J. CRAGGS.

The Society of Lincoln's-Inn will pay the Sum of 40 l. upon Demand, by their Treasurer, to any Person who shall make such Discovery and Conviction.

Whitehall, December 5, 1718.

It is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, That all such Officers, either in Great Britain or Ireland, as belong to any of His Majesty's Regiments now in Garrison in Gibraltar, or the Island of Minorca, do forthwith repair to their respective Commands, upon Pain of His Majesty's highest Displeasure, and having their Commissions superseded, such only excepted as have His Majesty's special Leave to the contrary.

By His Majesty's Command,

Robert Pringle.

Admiralty-Office, Dec. 8, 1718.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty having received a Letter, dated the 7th of December, signed by William Luke, Thomas Wilson, and John Bland; their Lordships do hereby give Notice, that if the said Persons, or any of them, will attend them at their Office, and make out what they alledge, they shall receive all sitting Encouragement and Protection.

By Order of the Governours of the Bounty of Queen Anne for the Augmentation of the Maintenance of the poor Clergy, Notice is hereby given, that the Clergy are to pay their Tenths that will become due at Christmas next, to John Elton, Esq; at his Office over against the Garden-gate in the Middle Temple, where Attendants will be daily given for Receipt of the same, from the 7th of January next to the last of April following, Holidays excepted.

This is to give Notice, That the Commissioners appointed for Building Fifty new Churches, &c. will be ready to receive Proposals from Smiths for Locks and Keys, Squares and Hinges, for the Pews of the new Churches of Deptford and the Strand, at their Office in the Old Palace-Yard, Westminster, on Thursday the 18th of December Instant, at Ten in the Forenoon.

The Master, Wardens and Assistants of Trinity House of Deptford-Strand, do give Notice to all Pilots and Masters of Ships sailing to the Northward, that they have late founded the Spitts, and have removed the Swin's Buoy three Cables length lower down, and laid it upon the Tongue of the Buxey, so that the best of the Water over the Spitts is to go below the said Buoy.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company, will be holden at the East-India House in Leaden-hall-street, London, on the 19th Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon; and that the Transfer-Books of the said Company will be shut up from the 19th aforesaid, till the 21st of January next; And that the Amunity-Warrants due at Christmas, will be ready to be delivered to the Adventurers on the 26th of the said January.

The Committee for Letting the City's Lands in the Account of the Chamberlain of the City of London, give Notice, that they intend to Let for Building, a Piece or Parcel of Ground at the upper End of Mark-lane in Fenchurch-street, commonly called or known by the Name of Blanchapleton: And that the said Committee will sit in the Council-Chamber of the Guildhall, London, on Wednesday the 10th Instant, at Four in the Afternoon, to receive Proposals for the same; of which more particular Information may be had at the Comptroller's Office in the Guildhall aforesaid.

Advertisements.

Whereas John Field, late of St. John-street, London, Haberdasher of small Wares, Son of Mr. John Field, of Hitchin in Hertfordshire, in a striped Gown and dark Peruke, missed last Tuesday Night in Hitchin, and supposed to be murdered: The said John Field, if living, is desired to send Word where he is. If any Person will discover where he is, or the Person who committed the Fact, to Mr. Field his Father, or to Mr. Nicholls of Furnival's Inn, shall have five Guineas Reward.

To be sold, an Estate in the County Palatine of Chester, upwards of 100 l. per Annum, lying near a good Market-Town, and capable of great Improvements. Enquire at Mr. John Lewis's Attorney, in Carew-street, by Lincoln's-Inn; where Particulars may be had, and a Plan of the said Estate seen.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Thomas Wilks, of Titchfield, in the County of Southampton Mercer, and he being declared a Bankrupt; the Commissioners intend to meet on the 17th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to appoint Assignees; where the Creditors are to come to prove their Debts, and pay Contribution-Money: All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person but whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but are to give Notice to Mr. Anthony Beckwith, Attorney, in Cow-Church-yard, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded against James Dawson, of Salford, in the County of Lancashire, and James Holt, of London, Chapman and Copartners, and they being declared Bankrupts; the Commissioners intend to meet at the House of Mr. Thomas Erabban, Innkeeper, at the Sign of the King's Head in Salford, aforesaid, on the 19th Instant; where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay Contribution-Money: And all Persons indebted to the said Bankrupts, or have any Goods or Effects of theirs in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person but to the Assignees, or to Mr. John Goddard, Merchant, in Crouched-Friars, London.

Mr. George Pochin, of Milk-street, London, Haberdasher, being appointed Assignee of the Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Marshall, of Leicester, in the County of Leicestershire, Chapman; All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Effects of his in their Hands, are forthwith to pay and deliver the same to the said Assignee, or to Mr. John Brace, of Milk-street aforesaid, Attorney at Law, or they will be sued.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Robert Gerrard, of London, Druggist, having made an Assignment of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects to Messieurs Henry Colechetter, of Cheap-side, Mortimer Powell, of Abchurch-lane, Druggist, and Charles Garrard, of London, Gent. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are forthwith to pay and deliver the same to the said Assignees, or they will be sued.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Walter Stanhope, late of Leeds, in the County of York, Mercer, intend to meet at the House of Mrs. Elizabeth Hartley, in Tadcaster, in the said County of York, on the 29th Instant, by Ten in the Forenoon, where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts and pay Contribution-Money.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against George Twynhoie, of Bristol, Grocer, intend to meet on the 23d of December Instant, at Ten in the Forenoon, at the Elephant Coffee house in Bristol, aforesaid, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts and paid Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.