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Stockholm, January 18.

THE Weather being tempestuous and open, it is now said the King has laid aside his intended Journey. His Majesty began last Week to sit in Person at the Treasury; and designs for the future to preside once a Week, both there, and in the Council of State where all Matters are debated and Orders issued relating to the Defence of the Kingdom. By the Advices from Carlsroon we learn, that so many Ships are lately arriv'd at that Port laden with Provisions of all Kinds from Dantzick, Lubeck and other Places, that 'tis reckon'd there are already Stores sufficient laid in to victual our whole Fleet for all the ensuing Campaign. Last Friday Night a Marine Captain, named Basswitz, killed a Merchant here, and endeavoured to make his Escape into Norway; but was overtaken on the Road, and brought back hither To-Day, in order to be tried.

Hague, Feb. 7. The States seem very earnest for fitting out this Year eight or ten Men of War, to act in the Mediterranean against the Algerines and other Corsairs of Barbary. The City of Amsterdam offers to advance the Money necessary for equipping those Ships, and Vice-Admiral Somersdyck of that City, offers his Service for the Command of that Squadron. It is probable this Affair will be settled at the Meeting of the States of Holland on the 12th Instant, when the Admiralties are ordered to be here, as well to be consulted upon this, as upon the farming of the Customs. Count Morville having written last Post from Paris, that he and M. St. Contest designed to set out for Cambray the 15th Instant, Count Windischgratz has resolv'd upon this Notice, and on Advice from M. Pentiercker to the same Purpose, to set out from this Place on the 12th Instant for Brussels, and after a few Days Stay there to proceed to Cambray. Count Tarouca has not yet fixed the Time of his Departure for Cambray: He has caus'd a very spacious House of Wood to be built, proposing to reside more commodiously in it than in any other he could get hired there; which House having been entirely fram'd here, the Materials are laid ready to be carried to Cambray, there to be set up in a Square which he has obtained for that Purpose.

Paris, Feb. 8. By an Arrêt of the Council published Yesterday, thirty four Commissioners are established to examine all the Annuities, Actions, Bank-Notes, and other Paper Effects, pursuant to the late Arrêt of the 26th past;

in which nevertheless some Alterations are expected to be made in the next Council of Regency. The Duke of Bourbon and M. d'Armenonville are said to have been soliciting these several Days, that the Protestation of the India Company against the late Arrêt of the 26th past, which declares the said Company indebted to the King for the Bank Notes, may be accepted; and this Matter will probably be discuss'd in the Council which is to be held To-Morrow. M. de Pelletier de Souze having resign'd his Place in the Council of Regency by Reason of his great Age, the King has been pleas'd to appoint in his Room his Son M. Pelletier des Forts. The Duke of Brissac was received on the 6th Instant in the Parliament with the usual Ceremonies, at which assist'd the Duke of Bourbon and the Prince of Conty, the latter having a very numerous Retinue. We have Advic'd, that the Turkish Ambassadour Mehemet Effendi embark'd at Beziers upon the Canal of Languedoc for Toulouse, whence he is to proceed to Bourdeaux, where he will make some Stay, and then be conducted hither in the King's Coaches by the Way of Orleans, where the Chevalier de Chamilly is to receive him. The Regiments of French and Swiss Guards have received Orders to hold themselves ready to be reviewed by the King; they are to be drawn up at the Turkish Ambassadour's Entry, as likewise a Detachment of Horse of the King's Household Troops. 'Tis said the Port of Marseilles will be opened again on the 20th of next Month, that City being now free from the Plague; but that nevertheless such Ships as come from thence into other Ports of France, will be oblig'd to perform double Quarentain. The Mortality still continues at Aix with great Violence. The Count de Maurepas Secretary of State, and Son to the Count Pontchartrain, is ill of the Small-Pox, which Distemper rages very much in this City. The King does not yet stir out of his Bed Chamber by Reason of his Cold, which continues upon him still. *Te Deum* will be sung this Afternoon at the Convent of the Fathers *de l'Oratoire*, for the Recovery of the Dutchess Dowager of Orleans.

Admiralty-Office, Jan. 31. 1720.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby signify their Directions, that the Men belonging to His Majesty's Ships at Chatham, Sheerness, Woolwich, and Deptford, who have had Leave to be absent for six Weeks, do forthwith repair to their Duty on Board their respective Ships, on pain of forfeiting the Wages due to them, and being punished as Deserters.