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Plimouth, December 11.

Here are at present in this Port, several Merchant men, as we'll outward as inward bound; and amongst others, the *Unity of Yarmouth*, and the *St. Lucar Merchant*, bound for *London*.

Hull, Decemb. 13. On Saturday last arrived here a small man of War, mounted with six Guns and fourteen Men, belonging to *Middlebrough*, and bound for the *Streights*, being, as we are told, set out by particular persons of the said place, against the *Corfsairs of Barbary*.

Waymouth, Decemb. 15. Yesterday put in here a French Vessel, laden with Lemmons and Oranges from *Libonne*, bound for *Rouen*, the Seamen tell us, that they met the first instant, off of the Rock of *Libonne* with two *Algerines*, the one carrying 18, and the other 14 Guns, that the lesser of them Commanded their Master on board, and that in the interim, the Turks came on board them, and took away most of their Provisions and Clothes, and some of their Sayls; and so, having sent the Master back again, left them; they farther tell us, that afterwards they met with eight French men of War bound for *Silly*, the Admiral of the Squadron they know not.

Portsmouth, Decemb. 14. Here is put into this Port a small Ketch of *Scarborough*, laden with Wine from *Burdeaux*, from whence she came in Company of several other Merchant men, bound for several Ports in *England*, together with a Fleet of Dutch Merchant men, who were all empty, some having after they had been laden, upon advice from *Holland*, unladed again at *Burdeaux*.

Dantzicke, Decemb. 4. Their Majesties of *Poland* are at present with the Court at *Warsaw* again, where they intend to continue this winter. His Majesty having sent his Letters to the several Palatinates, for the summoning a general Dyet, to be held at *Warsaw* the 16 of *January* next, the respective Provincial Assemblies may now be speedily begun, in order to the framing the necessary Instructions for the Deputies they send to the great Dyet; it is said, that the chief points his Majesty recommends to them, are, the paying of the Arrears of the Forces now on Foot, and to provide another Fund for the raising of more Men, in order to the total reducing of the *Ukraine*, his Majesty intending to pursue, with the Spring, the success his Armes have obtained this Summer in those parts.

From the *Ukraine* they tell us, that since the retreat of the Crown Army from *Kabnick* into their winter Quarters, the Rebel Cossacks begin daily to recover more and more strength, under the Command of *Dorosensko*; they likewise speak of confederating themselves with the *Tartars*, though without any great certainty; sure it is, he begins to appear with his Forces in the Field again, and to put himself into a posture for the retaking the places he had lost this Campaign.

We have been of late very free from any allarmes on our Frontiers from the Turks, which makes us imagine them at present wholly employed for the

composing the affairs of *Mecca*; though from *Vien*; they still entertain us with fears and apprehensions of the designs of the Port again; *Hungary*, where it is said, they flatter themselves with hopes of meeting with the less resistance, through the discontents they pretend are still remaining amongst many of those Inhabitants.

We have been long here, without any considerable news from *Muscovy*, and even that we have, comes to us with much uncertainty; some Passengers arrived here from those parts, tell us, that the Rebellion there is not quite suppressed, but that some sparks of it yet remain about *Casan* and *Astracan*, notwithstanding all the endeavors of that Court for the quenching the same.

Venice, Decemb. 5. The Duke de *Nevers* is returned hither from *Rome*, where he has left his Sister the Dutchess *Mazarini*, with intentions, as is said, to return with his Lady, who is at present here, to accompany her hither, they designing to pass the Winter in this place. Here are making two very rich Gondolo's for his most Christian Majesty, and are almost finished.

It seems the thoughts this Senate had of sending an Embassy to the Crown of *France*, are now layd aside, the affair concerning the French Slaves being finally determined, which at first was feared, might have given some dissatisfaction. By a Vessel arrived from *Sicily*, we have the confirmation of what we heard before from thence, of the great scarcity of Corne in that Kingdom, the cause of which, the people in this disorder, seem to charge upon the Vice-Roy, in that he had permitted this last Summer, the exportation of Corne out of those Countries; as likewise upon some other persons of quality, whom they accuse of having bought up vast quantities of Graine, in order to the raising the price, notwithstanding, it be almost to the destruction of the Commonalty; the Vice Roy to provide what he may in this extremity, hath given orders for the stopping all Ships that shall arrive with Corne at any Port of that Kingdom, and that they oblige the Masters to sell the same at reasonable rates.

Frankfort, Decemb. 10. The difference between the Elector Palatine and the Prince of *Hessen Darmstadt*, concerning the Town and Territory of *Amstadt*, having been submitted by those Princes to the Arbitrage of the Great Master of the Teutonic Order, and he having ever since laboured with much earnestness, for the composing it, though hitherto ineffectually, by reason of the many difficulties he meets in it, hath deferred the farther debate of this affair till next Summer, obliging at the same time, the respective parties by mutual promises, not to attempt any thing in the interim by force of Arms, for the obtaining their right hereunto.

We are wholly taken up with the content we have for the Town of *Calogne*, and especially, since we are told, of the little progress hath hitherto been made in order to an accommodation, but that on the contrary, the preparations are carried on with all imaginable vigor, and that several Boats laden with Ammunition, Artillery, &c. come daily down the *Moselle*, under French Convoys, &c.