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**T**he second instant arrived here Monsieur Courrin from France; but continues as yet incognito; in the mean time Monsieur de Vaubrun hath taken his leave of their Majesties and the Regency, in order to his return home.

Milan, Decemb. 16. Our Governour the Duke of Ossuna, hath lately by an Extraordinary Courier from Madrid, received, as we are told, instructions from the Queen Regent, that he immediately reinforce several Garrisons towards the Frontiers of France, and put all things, as far as in him lies, in a good posture of defence; so that now we discourse of raising more Forces, instead of disbanding those already on foot, as some of the Nobility of these Countries seem still to desire. His Excellency returned yesterday from Pavia and Lodi, where he had been to visit the Fortifications, and take a review of the Forces in Garrison there. The 24 past marched through Piedmont, the remaining Troops, raised in those parts, for the service of the Crown of France.

Monsieur Clo continues still there, having, as is said, received farther orders from his most Christian Majesty, for the raising 400 Foot more, besides those already raised. From Mantoua, they tell us, that the Dutchess Dowager was retired into a Cloyster, and that the Count de Windisgratz, the Imperial Envoy, was gone thence on his return to Vienna.

Venice, Decemb. 18. We have advice here, that the Dutchess Dowager of Mantoua, is lately entered into a Religious House of Capucins, and that the Conte Bulgatino, is turned a Dominican Fryar. From Smirna they confirm the news we formerly had of the Grand Signiors Brothers death by poison, to which they add this farther circumstance, that he dyed the 17 September at night, and as is acknowledged, in the time when the Moon was in her late Eclipse, from whence the Superstition of the people, seem to raise ill Omens to that Empire; how ever it is certain, the death of this young Prince, hath much secured the Grand Signiors Government, to which the Generallity of the People, seem to have as great an aversion, as they had love for the person of this young Prince, and an earnest desire to establish him in the Government.

Several Complaints coming to the Senate, against the late Provoditor General Bernardo, for matters by him committed, during his Government of Trent, &c. they have ordered a Process to be formed against him, to the end, he may either vindicate his Honor herein, or give satisfaction for the extortions charged on him.

The Duke of Mantoua is suddenly expected here, a Palace being in the interim preparing to receive him. The Duke de Nevers is returning with his Dutchess to Rome.

Ratisbonne, Decemb. 26. It is easy to imagine the trouble, our Commissioner, with several other Deputies of this Dyet, have, to find all their earnest endeavors, for concluding the matters of the Publick security, and perpetual Capatulation; to have

been so unsuccessful, that after so many Months debate, they seem no more advanced then they were at their first being brought on the Bord. In the mean time the Dyet hath appointed Deputies for the framing instructions, for a General to command the Forces of the Empire, in case of an occasion.

Frankfort, Decemb. 26. Here is at present the Prince de Vaudemont, in order to the raising some Troops, as he is doing in other parts of Germany, for the service of the Spanish Netherlands. Some days since passed this place the Count de St. Geran, on his way to Berlin, whither he goes in quality of Envoy from his most Christian Majesty. Several Troops come down daily out of Lorraine; at which hath been layd up vast quantities of Corn, and other Military Provisions, for what design is variously reported. What was lately said, of several Foreign Troops being quartered in the Territories of the Elector of Mentz, proves a mistake.

Cologne, Decemb. 29. As well the Imperial Commissioners, as the Deputies of the Circle of Westphalia, have been in conference together with the Magistrates of this place, all these Holydays, for the finding out some expedient to reconcile the difficulties made by our Elector, in several points of the late Project, in which they have advanced so far, as to give us new hopes of the final determination of these matters.

The Bishop of Munster is still at Kendernick; where he omits nothing, as is said, for the furthering this work, which will so much contribute to the confirming the peace and quiet of the whole Empire; the chief difficulty which at present remains yet undecided, is concerning some Inhabitants of this Town, which our Elector has some pretence against, though we hope, that this too will be removed, and then a fair accommodation follow, of all differences which have so long, with so much disturbance to our selves and Neighbours, continued between us and our Elector.

On Saturday last went hence the Hear of Ammerongen for Berlin; the same day passed through this place the Duke and Dutchess of Simmern, on their way to Holland, where they intend, as is said, to continue some time. Here hath been some days in Town, Prince William of Furstendurgh; and is lodged at Monsieur Verjus, the French Ministers House.

Ditto, Things seem at present so far advanced towards an accommodation, that we may with more ground then ever, hope it may be suddainly concluded; this day our Magistrates Entertained at Dinner the several Deputies, together with the Internuncio, and the Marquis de Grana, the march of which Entertainments having been much increased, through the great appearance, there is, of an agreement.

Brussels, January 5. On Thursday last returned hither the person, who as hath been said, was lately Robbed near Beronne of his Letters and Money, as he was going Express to Madrid from hence. His Excellency the Count de Monterey, having ordered most part of the Cavalry to march towards Gelderland; hath likewise directed the respective Officers

of Foot, to be constant at their several commands, that so they may be ready to put in execution such Orders, his Excellency may at any time on a suddain charge them with.

From *Madrid* we have advicē by the last ordinary, that the Queen Regent hath lately appointed a new form of Council, particularly for these Provinces; and that the Marquis *Villars* the French Ambassador there, had had a private Audience of her Majesty, of which we want the particulars. Our Letters from all hands tell us, of matters being at length fairly accommodated at *Cologne*, but that that Elector continues his preparations still in the same manner as formerly, so as it is not to be doubted, but he hath some other design on Foot. Monsieur *de Louvoy* is still at *Aeth*.

*Hague, January 1.* On Wednesday last the Deputies appointed for the Military affairs, by the States of *Holland*, met, for the first time after the Holydays, when it is said, amongst other things, they likewise farther debated on the Instructions to be framed for a Captain General. The 28 instant returned from *Paris*, the Express that was lately sent thither, with a Letter to our Ambassador there, to be presented to his most Christian Majesty from these States, onely with this account, that the said Ambassador had not at his departure, yet obtained an Audience of that King, in order to the delivering the said Letter, but that he expected to have one after the Holydays.

From *Nimwegen* they write, that his Highness the Prince of *Orange* arrived there the 25 instant from *Aernhem*, having been received by the Citizens in Arms, and saluted with all the Canon round the Walls of the place, all other Publick respects, and demonstrations of affection and esteem, having been largely expressed on that occasion; from thence his Highness intended for *Emmerick* and *Rees*, and so for *Wesel*.

The 29<sup>th</sup> the Deputies of the States General had a conference with the Imperial and Spanish Ministers here. The *Rhyngrave* intends, as is said, to go hence to morrow towards *Wesel*, and the other places on the *Rhyn*, where his presence seems to be every day more and more necessary, to Command the Forces of this State, and to have a watchful eye on the motions of all Foreign Troops, which we hear march daily in considerable Bodies towards those parts. The States General have appointed a publick Fast to be held through all their Dominions on the 20 of *January*, on the occasion of the present danger that seems to threaten them from abroad.

The Deputies of the Province of *Friesland*, have brought into the Assembly of the States General, the advicē of their Principals, as the Deputies of the Province of *Overyssel* have likewise since done, for the making the Prince of *Orange* Captain General, &c. it being thought, the other Provinces will likewise readily follow their Examples.

*Ditto*, We had expected that Monsieur *Pompone*, late Ambassador from his most Christian Majesty at the Court of *Sweden*, would on his return home from *Hamburgh*, have passed this place, in order to his conferring with the Ministers of these States, concerning the redressing of several matters in point of Trade; but we since hear, that he hath taken his way by *Cologne*; from whence several Letters tell us, that things were at length amicably composed, between that Town and Elector; that Colonel *Bampfild's* Regiment was to leave the place, in whose room the Circle of *Westphalia* were at their own cost to keep a Garrison there; that notwithstanding this appearance of an accommodation,

there comes daily more Foreign Forces down towards those parts, not without a design, as is feared, to make an attempt on some of our Frontiers places on the *Rhyn*.

His Highness the Prince of *Orange* hath visited *Aernhem*, *Nimwegen*, *Emmerick*, &c. having been every where received with much honour and respect. The Deputies of the States of *Holland* for the Military affairs, are daily assembled, both before and after noon, being at present chiefly busied about framing a new state of the War for the next year. We are told of more Forces that are ordered to march towards our Frontiers; and that the Regiment of Dragoons to be raised, as part of the new Leavies, shall be Commanded by Colonel *Brempt*.

*Paris, January 2.* The Kings journey for *Chalons*, which his Majesty, as we are told, intended to have begun the 5 instant, is now put off till the 19, there being at the same time, those, who are of opinion, that it may after all, be deferred till about the middle of the next Month. His Majesty hath ordered nine Companies of *Swissers*, to march immediately towards *Montmedy*, for the reinforcing, as is said, our Garrisons on those Frontiers. The *Sieur d' Artagnan*, Lieutenant of the Kings Guard, being on his return from *Pignerol*, whither he had convoyed with a Guard of 100 of the Kings Musketeers, the Count *de Lauzun*, is ordered to pass through *Dijon*, where he will meet the Kings Instructions, how farther to dispose of himself. The Prince *de Conde*, hath lately sent into *Germany*, to buy there, about 400 Horses, to be employed as well in his own, as his Son the Duke *d' Enguien's* Regiment.

The Dutch Ambassador having not as yet been able to obtain an Audience of the King, which though not denyed him, hath been still put off from one day to another; it is said, he hath by an Express, returned the Letter he lately received from the States; for his most Christian Majesty, and by the same conveyance desired, they would send him orders to return home, seeing his presence was so useless here.

The Regiment of Horse lately raised in the Territories of the Duke of *Savoie*, for the service of this Crown, is arrived at *Baron* on the *Seine*, where they expect farther directions from hence, whither to continue their march.

The Marquis *de Chandener*, formerly Captain of the Kings Guards, hath been some days since taken into Custody here, and since sent Prisoner to the *Chasseau de Loches* in *Tourraine*. Our last Letters from the parts about *Cologne*, speak of nothing but of an Accommodation between that Town and the Elector, so that it is thought, they may after all, come to an agreement. We have advicē of the Earl of *Sunderland*, Ambassador Extraordinary from His Majesty of *Great Brittain* to the Crow of *Spain*, being arrived at *Burdeaux* on his way to *Madrid*; and that at the same time, the Marquis *del Fresno* had passed, on his way for *England*, in the same quality.

*Madrid, Decemb. 23.* From *Malaga* they tell us, of a Report that was there, as if they of *Argiers*, had killed old *Trekly* their new King, and set up in his room *Tabarack Raiq*, a Man more inclinable to an Accommodation with *England*, then *Trekly* seemed to be. From *Alicant*, that there had arrived an English Frigate from *Argiers*, where the Captain said, he left Sir *Edward Spragge*, about the begining of this Month, Treating with those People, with hopes of bringing them in a short time, to an Honourable Peace.