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Copenhagen, Decemb. 14.

THe 12 instant dyed his Grace the Duke of Richmond and Lenox, Extraordinary Ambassador from His Majesty of Great Brittain to this Crown, extremely lamented by this Court, as well in respect of his great Worth, and high Birth, as of the suddain and extraordinary manner of his death, of which we have these particulars; That on Tuesday the 10 instant his Grace went hence to *Elfenore*, to dispatch the *English Fleet* there, in a season of much Snow and great Cold; The 12 his Grace was pleased to go on board the *Tarmouth*, Captain *Woerden* Commander, who Weighed and Sailed about two Miles below the Castle, and there came to an Anchor at *Hellibeck*, where in the Evening his Grace went ashore in the Ships Pinnace, but in his passage was so pierced by the excessive coldness of the Air, that before he came to the Shore, he was not sensible of what he did; in which condition being carried to his *Calesche*, that attended him there, he was brought to *Elfenore*, but in the passage dyed of one of those Convulsive Fits, to which he had of late years been subject.

Cologne, Jan. 13. We have for some days been alarmed here with a report, that five Imperial Regiments are coming to lodge at *Duitz*, as they give out, for the security of this place, though we seem much to suspect their friendship, and rather desire to have them farther off; in the mean time the French continue to pass down the *Rhine* as well by Water as Land, towards *Nuis* and *Wesel*; and it is said that Monsieur de *Turenne* intends to make a Bridge again over the *Rhine* above *Nuis*; that he will quarter his Troops in the County of *Bergh*, and take possession again of *Mulheim* near this place, on the other side of the *Rhine*; in the interim the French lie quartered the whole length of this Diocess; their Head Quarter is at present at *Woringen*, a League and halfe from hence, and their Artillery is arrived at *Braunwiler*; Monsieur de *Turenne* arrived in person some days since at *Wesel*, and from thence is marched with several Troops towards *Dorsten* on the *Lippe*. The Imperial Troops lie at present quartered in the Bishoprick of *Paterborne*; the Elector of *Brandenburgh* has his Head quarter at *Bilvelts*; and we have advice of 8000 Men, as well Imperialists as *Brandenburghs* that are encamped on the *Weser*, having possessed themselves of *Heuxter*, and the Countrey of *Corby* belonging to the Bishop of *Munster*. The *Brandenburghs* have, it is said, retaken *Lunen* on the *Lippe*, and are about making a descent into *Westphalia*.

Antwerp, Jan. 16. On Sunday last a Captain of the Prince of *Oranges* Army, arrived at *Brussels*, being sent Express to his Excellency, with a Complement from the Prince, as well as to excuse the rudeness of his Soldiers in their march through our Territories, in their return to *Holland* from *Charlevoix*. From *Holland* they write, that the States have resolved to raise 20000 Men against Spring; That the French have quitted *Newerbrug*, and those other Posts, having first Demolished them. From *Brussels* they write, that the Count de *Monterey* hath

desired of the States that all the Spanish Auxiliary Troops now in their Service, may be quartered towards *Schoenboven*, that so upon any extraordinary occasion they may easily pass the *Rhine*, and come this way. Our Letters from *Germany* are of a stale date, the last are of the third instant from *Lipstadt*, which tell us, that the Grofs of the Confederate Armies continued to march that way, whilst the Elector of *Brandenburgh* was advanced with 7 or 8000 Men, as far as *Bilvelts*, and that the chief quarter of his Troops was at *Bueren*; That a Party had been sent out to take *Hoxter*, and that they intended to fall with a Body of 8 or 9000 Men into *Westphalia*, but that the ways were as yet unpassable; The Imperialists had their head quarter the third instant in the City of *Paterborne*.

Ditto, 17. We have Letters from *Lipstadt* of the 7 instant, which bring us nothing of news, but that the weather still hindered the Confederate Troops from attempting any thing towards *Westphalia*; and that General *Sp en* had with 4000 Men made an Attack upon the Town and Castle of *Werl*, but through the brave resistance he met there, as well as the illness of the weather, was forced to quit his design.

Amsterdam, Jan. 5. We live here in sad times, and in much danger, which is not onely to be apprehended from abroad, but even from our selves here at home; the Commonalty observing the ill success that hath hitherto attended our Arms, cry out against the Government, and lay all the fault there; and in the mean time, keep the most considerable of the Inhabitants here in continual fear, least exasperated by their present misery, they may one day fall upon them, and plunder, and take away what they have; this makes the most eminent Merchants take all opportunities to retire with their concerns out of this Countrey. On Saturday last was held a Council of War here, and great difference happened there, whilst some of the Lords thought it necessary that part of the Burgers should be sent out to serve in the Army, which others who stood up for the liberty of the people very warmly opposed, alledging it to be what had been never practised, and what would violate the priviledges of the Burgefs, so that the Council parted in much disorder. The Heer *Opdam's* Regiment is arrived here from *Flanders*, as likewise the Prince of *Courland's* Regiment of Horse from *Friesland*. We are extremely pleased with the news we have of the taking of *Covoerden*; it seems the Bishop of *Munster* having drawn out from thence the greatest part of the Garrison, to employ them on some other occasion for his service, the Governor of *Gronningen* upon notice thereof, marched out with 1500 Men, and by the favour of the night and a great Fog, came before *Covoerden*, before they had any knowledge of it, and with the help of Bridges which our Men brought with them, and cast over the Ditches, they attacked the Town in three several places together, and after 2 or 3 hours dispute, made themselves Masters of it; the Enemy lost near 200 Men, and we half that number. Of our *East-India* Men that
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went lately out, the *Europa*, together with a Man of War, are as we hear, forced back to *Zealand* by the late bad weather, being much damaged, and having many sick on board. The three Ships bound for *Guiny*, mounted each with 18 Guns and 60 Men, are ready, and have Orders to sail with the first favourable winds; It is said they intend to go Northwards. The Prince of *Orange* lies with his Forces at *Goude Sluys*, and hath taken possession again of the Posts quitted by the French. Some days since happened a Fire here in Town, which burnt several Warehouses, and did other considerable damage.

Blissing, Jan. 7. Yesterday came in three of our Capers, and brought with them not any purchase, but the ill news of the taking the Privateer called the *Raep* by the English; and that the *Bull* had been likewise engaged with an English Frigate, that she lost her Main Mast, and to save her self, left two Prizes she had lately taken, behind her, which were retaken by the English: another Privateer come in here, tells us, he left four of our *West India* Ships engaged with the *Plymouth* Frigate, who had already taken one of them, and sunk another. We are certainly told that there are at present 270 Commissions given out for Private Men of War, great and small, by the Admiralty of this Province; all our livelihood depends upon them, and because they have not of late brought in any considerable number of Prizes, the Commonalty begin to want wherewithal either to employ or maintain themselves; The Ship *Argyn*, together with the other Merchant man bound to the *East Indies*, are ready to sail with the first Easterly wind. The people return again to their former way of quarrelling with their Magistrates, and are now in the humour again of having some of them displaced; it is said that four of the eldest Magistrates have quitted their Houses, and retired privately out of Town, which occasions a great noise amongst the people, and makes us all fear some great and suddain tumult is at hand.

Ditto, 11. The Commonalty are again pacified with fair words and promises, that things shall be better for the future, which we look upon as so great a blessing, that publick thanks have been given in all our Churches for our deliverance from those intestine confusions, which for some days last past have threatened us. Most of our Privateers have been forced into Port by the late violent storms, and have amongst them all, brought in but two small Prizes, an English and French Vessel; they tell us indeed, that they had taken some other Prizes, but that they were retaken by the English.

Hague, Jan. 6. We live here in such continual fear of the Enemy, that several persons have within few days retired with their Goods and Families to places of better security; and at present we are about putting up Palisado's round this place, and making other preparations for our defence. The Swedish Ambassadors have made their publick Entry, and have had their Audience of the States, though we cannot learn that they have as yet declared themselves in the point of the Mediation, whether they do accept of it or not. The Prince of *Orange* was some days since here in Town, but is at present in the Army at *Alphen* near *Leyden*; Colonel *Pain* and *Vin*, who Commanded at *Newerbrug*, and deserted that Post, will be severely proceeded against, and it is not doubted, but he will loose his Life. Several hundreds of Seamen are to be taken into the Service of the States, and shall in a separate Body be Commanded by Lieutenant Admiral *de Ruysser*, the Heer *Tromp*, and the Heer *Sweers*. The Princess Dowager of *Orange* is at present very much

indisposed. At *Amsterdam* the People begin to be very disorderly again, inasmuch that some Troops of Horse which were sent by the Prince to Quarter there, were refused entrance; the people at the same time exclaiming against the Government; and the Prince's evil Councillors. And at *Rotterdam* the like disorders happen daily.

Hague, Jan. 20. Our great consultations now on foot next after those of securing our selves from a second Invasion of the French, are how to raise a Police capitale of its self to continue the War at Land, being sensible how much we have been and still are like to be disappointed by our Auxiliaries. To this end it is confidently given out. That the States of this Province are agreed, with those of *Zealand*, *Frisland*, and *Gronningen*, to pay this year 17 Millions of Florins towards it, besides all the ordinary Taxes which are already upon us; to which the *East India* Company is to add, as of free Contribution, two Millions more. In the mean time the Swedish Ambassadors are pressing for an answer to their Proposition of a Mediation already accepted on, it seems, by the Kings of *England* and *France*. A few days will shew us what inclinations are in our Governors to a Peace, which the Common People every where cry for.

Among other our Calamities, that of the overflowing of the Country is the most universal, and the most felt; partly the cutting the Dikes the last Summer by the French, for their own security in *Vtrecht*, and partly what we our selves have been some time since necessitated to do of that kind, has put the whole Province of *Holland* in a manner under water, so as the poor Bores are driven from their Houses, to seek shelter on higher ground for themselves and Families, driving about from one place to another, in what Boats and Vessels they can procure, in a most sad and miserable condition.

Advertisements.

Brussels, Jan. 16. The 28 past, was stolen from the Countess de *Colre*, A very rich Jew, being the King of *Englands* Picture set with nine great Diamonds, cut cornerwise, and about 70 small ones; another set with 8 or 9 Diamonds, cut cornerwise, and several small ones, with one great table Diamond in the middle; one great table Diamond; two ear Pendants set each with one great Diamond cut pair wise, besides several small ones; 2 Bracelets of Pearl, with Roses of Rubies between the Pearls; a little Diamond cut triangular, set about with small Diamonds; a red Stone, set round with several small Diamonds; a small Powderbox of Gold with the Arms of *Britannia* upon it, which is a Lyon; a small gold Watch with a chain of the same; a cherry coloured Petticoat with gold and silver Lace. They that give notice: either of the said Jewels, or of the Person that stole them, must address themselves to the Posthouse here at *Brussels*, and shall have 200 Pattacoons as a Reward.

ALL Persons selling Wine by Retail without License, in *England*, *Wales*, or *Town of Berwick*: And likewise all Persons owing an Rent or Arrears of Rent for Wine-Licenses, are advised either by themselves or their Agents, Friends, Correspondents or Attorneys to repair unto His Majesties Office for granting Wine-Licenses, situate in *Durham-yard London*, at or before the 12 day of *February* next, and contract or agree, and take forth their respective Wine-Licenses; and also at or before the said time, pay their said Rents and all their said Arrears of Rent for Wine-Licenses, as the Laws direct, else *Latinars* or *Sine factis* will Issue against them, which will be both chargeable and troublesome, and only to be avoided as aforesaid.

Upon advice this day from the *Trinity-House* of *Newcastle*, that by reason of some Wrecks occasioned by the late Frights, and great Storme lying in the middle of the Channel, at the entrance of the River of *Tyne*, the said entrance is rendered Unnavigable in the Night, and it is by them judged requisite, that no Lights be put out till the said Wrecks be removed; The Master and Brethren of *Trinity-House* of *Deerford Stroud*, do hereby give Notice of the same to all Traders that way; and that no Lights will there be put out, till it be safe for Ships to enter the said River in the Night.

Stolen out of the Church of *Little Gaddesden*, in the County of *Hertsford*, on Thursday at night, the 9 of *January*, A Communion Table-Cloth of purple Velvet, with a silk fringe about it; one holland Surplice, one silver Chalice part thereof gilt, a linnen Communion Table-Cloth, and one Diaper Napkin; The persons suspected to have committed this Sacrilege, were two men and a woman, one of the men having a dark coloured grey Coat, with a snafack on his shoulder, and the other man habited much like him, both tall young men; the woman had a light grey Wastcoat, with two red Petticoats, and a black hat; If any can discover and secure these Persons or the Goods, and will send word to Mr. *Foster's* Shop an Upholsterer, at the sign of the *Goats* in *Barn-bican*, *London*, shall be well rewarded for their pains.