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Whitehall, November 4.

A Letter, by the way of Portugal, received this Day from Captain Legge, of His Majesty's Ship the Severn, one of Commodore Anson's Squadron, dated at Rio Janeiro, July 4, 1741, brings the following Account.

IHAT Commodore Anson, with the Fleet under his Command, sailed from the Island of St. Catherine's on the 19th of January last, and after meeting with hard Gales of Wind, in which the Pearl lost Company, anchored the 19th of February at Port St. Julian's; that during the Time the Pearl was separated, Capt. Kidd the Commander thereof died, and the Ship was chased off Pepys Island by a Squadron of Spanish Men of War of five Sail; that the Commodore appointed Capt. Murray to succeed him at Port St. Julian's; that they left St. Julian's the 27th of February, and the 7th of March passed the Straights of La Maire with great Success and fair Weather, but the next Day met with fresh Gales, which from that Time increased to such very hard Gales from N. N. W. to W. N. W. with such prodigious Seas, as exceeded any they had ever seen before, which tore their Shrouds and Sails, and sprung their Yards and Masts. That on the 10th of April they were in the Latitude of 35 N. and Longitude of 100 W. 34 m. and that Night they lost Sight of the Commodore and all the Squadron except the Pearl; that on the 13th in the Morning they saw the Land at Day-break from the W. N. W. to the S. E. very high, and here about five Leagues distant; upon Sight of which they endeavoured to wear, which they were more than an Hour before they could perform, and then stood to the Westward as much as the Winds would permit them; but the Wind coming to N. W. and by W. and W. N. W. and blowing almost a continual Storm for 20 Days together, with exceeding great Seas, they beat most of the Time under Reef Courses. That on the first of June they spoke with a Portuguese Vessel bound to Bahia, who told them Cape Rio Negro was 30 Leagues; and on the 21st of June, by the great Mercy of God they arrived safe in this Port, where they were received with exceeding great Friendship and Humanity;

after having lost a great Number of Men by Fatigue and Sicknels; amongst which last were the Captain, Lieutenant, and Ensign of the Invalids, &c. At this Place there was an Officer belonging to one of the Ships of the Spanish Squadron of 70 Guns, which was cast away at Santa Martha near this Place, who is returning to Spain to give an Account of their Misfortune. They were in Latitude of 60 odd South, and bore up the 17th of March, N. S. The Spanish Commodore is got into Rio de Plata with two Ships more, the Particulars of which Ships are, that they had buried 1200 Men with Famine and Sicknels. One of their Squadron is still wanting, and suppos'd to have perished, having lost her Main-mast before they parted with her; so that the whole of the Account of the Spanish Squadron amounts to three at Monte Video, one cast away at Santa Martha, and one perished at Sea:

Presbourg, Nov. 4, N. S. The Great Duke, accompanied with his Brother Prince Charles, set out this Morning to join the Army upon the Frontiers of Bohemia. The Queen will reside in the Primat's of Hungary's House in the Lower Town, till her Majesty's Return to Vienna. Upon the breaking up of the Diet, the several Members returned to their respective Countries to hasten the raising and marching of the Hungarian Nobility and

Dublin, October 31st Yesterday being the Anniversary of his Majesty's Birthday, the Great Guns were fired at the Barracks, and answered by Volleys from the Regiments in Garrison, which were drawn out upon Oxmantown Green. At Noon there was a vast Concourse of the Nobility and other Persons of Distinction of both Sexes, who appeared in great Splendor to compliment his Grace the Lord-Lieutenant, before whom an Ode set to Musick was performed. In the Evening a Play was given by his Grace to the Ladies. At Night there were Bonfires, Illuminations, and all other Demonstrations of Joy throughout the City, and at the Castle the Ball and the several Entertainments were extremely regular and magnificent.