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Cracow, October 7.

THe King of Poland during his stay at *Leopol*, received advice from the Grand Marshal *Sobieski*, of the Treason of *Hanenko*, General of the Loyal Cossacks; the said *Hanenko* having put the strong Fortress of *Demir* into the hands of the Muscovites, after having killed the Governour of it, and forced the Polish Troops that were in Garrison there, to retire from thence; This news the more surpriseth us, because this *Hanenko* hath always shewed himself faithful to this Crown, and performed several eminent services for it, and that we cannot know what inducement he could have to commit this Treachery; on the other side, the loss of this place is of much concern to this Crown, being of great strength, and on which the security of our other places in those parts very much depends. His Majesty is at present supposed to be arrived at the Army, where he will take his final resolutions concerning the employing them; many believe we shall not have any Action this season, but that after all, they will be sent into their winter Quarters.

Lisbonne, Sept. 26. The 19 instant was apprehended on board a Carvel bound to the Island of *Terceira*, one *Diego de Lemos* a great Lawyer, and a person of good esteem amongst the better sort of people; with him was found 900 Moedas of Gold, and many Papers, by which his design was discovered; which it is said, was to bring back the King *Alphonso*; immediately upon this mans apprehension, *Antonio Cabile* Secretary to the House of *Breganca*, *Elem Fernas de Mascarenhas* Governour of *Serubal*, *Don Gaspar Maldonado*, and his Son (in whose pocket was found a Letter from the Spanish Ambassador) were seized and imprisoned: since which, many other Gentlemen and inferior persons have been secured, and amongst others, two servants of the *Conde de Castel Melhor's* Brother, one servant of the *Marquis de Niza*, and two of the Spanish Ambassadors. The *Mendozas* (whose Brother is Vice King of the *Indies*) are fled, but their Estates seized on, and *Pedro Piquero* his Son, who is Captain of a man of War apprehended; great Guards are in the mean time kept in all parts of the Town; the Fishing-boats are forbid to pass the Bar, and no Boat permitted so much as to cross the River, without a License.

Ditto, Oct. 10. In my last I told you of the discovery of a Plot against the present Government, and that several persons of quality had been apprehended thereupon, by whose Confessions, and by some Papers that were found with *Diego de Lemos*, it appears, that he the said *Diego de Lemos*, a Man of great Interest in the Island of *Terceira*, was, with the assistance of the Bishop there, who is Brother-in-law to *Antonio Cabile*, to free the King; to which purpose *Antonio Cabile* had turnish't *Lemos* with the good Moedas of Gold, given him a Letter of Credence to the King, and wrote to the Governour of the Castle, where the King is, That it

was the Prince Regents pleasure, that he should permit the King to ride into the Park and into the Town, That upon advice of the Kings brother thus at liberty it is said, the Spaniards were to send three Fregats to bring him off, and that they should either land him at *Serubal* by the help of *Don Fernas Mascarenhas*; Governour there, or should put into some part of *Spain*, and carry him to the Frontiers, where a considerable Force should be ready for his assistance. The Council of State hath declared these proceedings of the Crown of *Spain* to be a violation of the Peace, and many are for making War without more ado, being the more provoked, by the late ill Treatment of their Ambassador at *Madrid*; but it is thought nothing will be certainly resolved, till the Cortes (the States of the Kingdom) meet, for which Orders we hear are issuing. The last night two Jesuits were sent to the prisoners, which makes us think, some of them will suddenly be brought to execution. The Spanish Ambassador here hath desired of the Prince a Guard for his better security, which was readily granted him; for the common people are very much incensed against him, and might be too ready to affront him. *Don Hieronimo de Mendoza*, who it is said was employed in *Spain* about this business, upon discovery of it, fled, but is since apprehended and brought prisoner hither.

Madrid, Oct. 25. The Queen Regent is at present indisposed of an Age, and has been several times let blood, but the King is in perfect health. From *Malaga* of the tenth instant they write, that *Monsieur d'Almeras* with Nine French men of War, came in there that day. From *Cadix* of the 15, That the ninth sailed out of that Bay, in great haste, all the French Ships that were there, viz. two men of War, with several Merchantmen; That the Governour had caused several Guns to be fired at them, but at the same time declared, that it was at the Merchantmen, because they went out without leave; The next day all the said Ships came into Port again, and the next day early in the Morning, upon an Express which the French Consul received from *Madrid*, they set sail the second time.

Cologne, Nov. 6. The third instant at night came an Express to the Duke of *Chautner*, one of his most Christian Majesties Plenipotentiaries here, from the *Mareschal d'Humieres*, giving him advice of his arrival with a Body of 1000 Horse at *Fuliers* the night before; that a considerable Body of Foot were following with all speed, under the Command of the Duke of *Luxemburgh*, which being joyned with the said Cavalry, would make up an Army of 28 or 30 thousand Men. This Body of Horse have marched with wonderful diligence, not having drawn Bit in three days, and the *Mareschal* not having suffered the least Baggage to be brought along with him. It is reported that the Dutch having joyned a Body of the Imperialists, have since besieged *Bon* a place of great concern, belonging to the Elector of *Colgne*, but at present in the hands of the French; They have a very good Garrison in it, and a brave Commander, so that we are in no pain for them.

Cologne