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London, November 22.

Our *Smirna* Fleet is safely arrived in the River of *Thames*, to the great satisfaction of the Merchants, who receive home a very extraordinary Treasure.

Rome, Nov. 4. The Pope hath been for several days past very ill, and though it is reported that he is at present somewhat better, yet no person whatever, can have access to him, save the Cardinal *Patron*, his Doctor, Apothecary, and Gentleman of his Chamber, which makes people, suspect his Holiness is in a worse condition, then his Relations would have them believe; In the mean time the several Cardinals (who willingly agree with the chief Physicians here in Town, that considering his Holiness great age, the distemper that now lies upon him, and the weakness that it has brought him to, he cannot hold out much longer) are preparing against the next Conclave, and using all endeavors to strengthen their own, and the Interests of their Friends.

Milan, Nov. 11. Our Governor the Duke d'*Ostuna*, having by an Express from the Count de *Montez*, Governor of the Spanish Neatherlands, received advice, of the Declaration that had been made there, as well as at *Paris*, of a War between the two Crowns, is taking all possible care to put this Countrey into a good posture of defence, and particularly to Reinforce those places which lye on the Frontiers towards *France*; however, they are as yet but ill provided, and will continue so, till we be both supplied with Men and Money from *Spain*. We hear at present nothing farther of the Prince de *Liguac* coming hither, to succeed in this Government.

Warsaw, Nov. 11. Our last Letters from *Leopol* tell us, that his Majesty continues still very much indisposed, though it is hoped the worst of his distemper is past, and that he is now on the mending hand; That the 25 past arrived there an Envoy from the Czar of *Moscovy*, to whom his Majesty gave Audience the day following, though not without a great deal of pain, and then received from the hands of the said Envoy a large Letter from the Czar his Master, containing a ample account of the progress of his Arms against the common Enemy on the side of the *Black Sea*, and the confines of *Moldavia*; after the usual compliments this Envoy was dismissed, with a promise that he should be dispatched in few days and carry with him an account likewise of the success his Majesties Arms had already had against the Turks. The Army of this Crown commanded by the Grand Marshal *Sobieski*, is at present about passing the *Niester*, while in the mean time a Body of our Troops who were commanded out of the Army under the Conduct of the Crown Standard-bearer, have taken the Town and Castle of *Niedzibor*, though with some loss, for the Turks defended themselves very well; we have likewise the

confirmation of our Troops having taken *Fastowice*; and that they have brought off 400 prisoners; several other places of less importance have likewise yielded, and received Garrisons of our Troops; the Turkish prisoners report that the *Hussa* Bassa lies on the other side of the *Niester* with 40000 Men, having drawn all the Forces he could out of the several Turkish Garrisons; but that he expected a more considerable reinforcement to come to him out of *Asia*; whereupon our General has resolved to make all haste possible to pass the said River and give them battle.

Ditto, Nov. 14. We have just now advice that our Army has passed the *Niester*, the Hosts having waded through, and the Foot marched over a bridge made there for that purpose; That the several *Hussa* Bassa was retreated with his Army, but that ours intended to follow them, and if possible, give them battle; they begin already to act with so much rigor on both sides, as not to give quarter to any person whatsoever. An Ambassador is arrived in our Camp from the Turks, and will be heard and dispatched by the Crown General.

Danzick, Nov. 14. From the Polish Court we have advice, that the King has sent out his Circularly Letters to the several Palatinates, to give them notice of his intentions to hold a Dyet, as soon as may be, yet so, as to leave it to them, to make choice of the place of their meeting; and the time of their Session, that is, whether they will have it to last six weeks, the usual term, or whether 15 days only, which would be best, considering the present posture of affairs; his Majesty as to the place, proposing to them *Leopol* or *Lublin*. We expect with much impatience to have Letters from our Army, and the more, because our last told us; that they were come within eight Leagues of the Enemy. We have certain advice, that those Colicks which continue faithful to the Crown, have lately encountered *Hanenky* with the rest of his Party, and totally routed them.

Vienna, Nov. 12. Yesterday as we have already told you, their Imperial Majesties arrived here, and after having heard *Te Deum*, went to visit the Empress Dowager, by whom they were entertained at Supper, after the Nobility and other persons of Quality restoring to them their respects to their Imperial Majesties, who intend to go the 14 instant to *Nembourgh*, to celebrate there the Feast of *St. Leopol*. Here is arrived an Envoy from the Grand Signor, bringing with him, as we are told, fresh assurances of his constant resolution to maintain inviolably the peace with this Empire.

Ratisbonne, Nov. 15. The Minister that is here on the part of the Crown of *Sweden*, hath given in several Memorials to this Dyet, pressing them to use all means possible to perswade the Emperor to recall his Troops, and to agree to a general cessation of Arms in the Empire, as the only way left to restore the peace thereof, but hitherto the Dyet hath not been able to come to any resolution in the matter by reason of the diversity of opinions amongst them. The Sieur de *Gravelle* the French Minister is gone for *Munich* to confer

for there with the Elector of *Bavaria*. We are told that the Elector of *Saxony* has given out Commissions for the raising of several Troops against Spring.

Cologne, Nov. 24. The Bishop of *Strasbourg* is gone from *Keyserwerth* to *Rhinberg*, and some report that he will pass from thence towards *Amuden*, but with great uncertainty. The Dutch give out that 10000 Imperialists are to be quartered here this winter, and that the Magistrates have already consented thereunto, though in truth there is nothing of it. The General *Montecuculi* is gone from *Ben* on his return for *Picenza*, which makes us more apt to believe, that all thoughts of farther action is laid aside for this season, and that the Confederate Troops will be looking out for winter Quarters; The Prince of *Orange* after having refreshed his Men, which were said to be in a very poor condition after the surrender of *Bon*, will return towards home, and to secure his retreat, the Count of *Waldeck* will come with the Troops they have lately brought together in *Holland*, and join his Highness at or near *Denio*; The French Troops under the Command of the Duke of *Luxembourg* continue still at *Rhinberg*, and will doubtless observe the motions of the Dutch as they return home. Monsieur de *Turenne* continues his Quarters, as we formerly told you, in the *Palatinate*, and finding that the season will not permit any farther action, it is thought he will lay up his Troops in their winter Quarters in *Lorraine* and *Alsatis*.

Paris, Nov. 24. We begin to make great preparations here against the Spring, and doubt not to give our Enemies cause to repent their obstinacy, in which they have so strangely persevered in relation to a Peace, when so just and reasonable conditions have been offered them. We are told that Monsieur de *Turenne* so soon as he has put his Troops into their winter Quarters, will return hither, and that then will be held a general Council of War.

Brussels, Nov. 29. Our Letters from *Cologne* tell us not any thing of news; the Imperial Troops continue still quartered in the Electorate of *Cologne*, and the Dutch in the Countrey of *Faliers*; the Imperialists are indeed approached somewhat nearer to *Nuis*, then they were before, and give out they have a design to besiege that place, but that they are hindered by the bad weather. On Wednesday next the States of *Holland* will meet again, when they will finally resolve concerning the Moneys to be raised towards the defraying the extraordinary expences of the year ensuing: We are told that the States have resolved to fit out a very considerable Fleet against next Spring, and accordingly the Deputies of the several Admiralties are in frequent consultation concerning it. We have advice that our Forces under the Command of Count *Waldeck* are broke up from the place of their Rendezvous near *Gertruydenbergh*; and in the mean time people variously discourse concerning their intended march; however, the general opinion is, that they will go and meet the Prince of *Orange*, who is now returning home. It is confidently reported here in Town, That the Swedes are about declaring in favor of the French, and that they are chiefly induced to it through the obstinacy of the Dutch, who have behaved themselves at the Treaty of *Cologne* far from what they might have expected from them, considering the earnest desire they pretended to have to restore a suddain peace; for hitherto we cannot learn, that to all the Propositions that have been made their Deputies by the Mediators on the part of the two Kings and their Allies, they have returned any suitable answer, or proposed

any thing on their part tending towards a Peace.

Hague, Nov. 29. We told you in our last, that the *Timmereter* which lately went over *England*, with a Letter from these States to His Majesty, was lately returned with an Answer to the same, since which, we have earnestly expected to know the Contents thereof, which hitherto is kept secret, because it would certainly undeceive the people in several particulars, and let them see, that though our Governors pretend much, yet in reality they do not desire a Peace. We are certainly informed, that the States have resolved that several matters relating to this War, shall be put upon Record, and amongst other things, that the Pope and the Grand Signior have offered to assist us. The Deputies which were sent on the part of these States to *Bruck*, are returned again, and give us an account, of the condition the French have left that Countrey in; The Magistrates of *Bruck* are suspended, till such time as the Prince of *Orange* pleasure be known concerning them. The winter season comes on so fast, that we cannot expect to hear of any more Action, or is it necessary we should, for every little thing that happens successful to us, occasions as much joy here, as far greater matters would do amongst other people; The taking of *Bon* is looked upon here, as a very extraordinary matter, and the States have ordered a general Thanksgiving to be observed on this occasion through all these Provinces. It is confidently said here, that the French are about quitting *Grave*, and some add *Nimwegen*, but we cannot give any credit to it. Yesterday in the Evening the Heer *Odyk*, one of the Plenipotentiaries of this State for the Treaty of *Cologne*, arrived here, and has since been in the assembly of the States, to give them an account of the present posture of the Negotiations there. We report here, that the Bishop of *Munster* hath made an agreement with the Emperor.

Witchalt, Nov. 26. This Morning His Majesty attended by the principal of the Nobility, and other persons of Quality, went in his Barges down the River to meet their Royal Highnesses, who arrived here about noon; and her Royal Highness having been to Salute Her Majesty, by whom she was received in the most kind and obliging manner, was Conducted by his Royal Highness to her Apartment at *St. James's*.

Advertisements.

☞ The late reverend Divine Mr. Joseph Caryl his Exposition with Practical Observations upon the whole Book of *Job*, is now proposed to be Printed and Completed in two large Folio Volumes, according to a Specimen thereof published, each Volume to contain at least 200 Sheets, and to be delivered as they are finished, to all such as subscribe and pay 50 s viz. the one 25 s. beforehand for the carrying on of the first Volume (it being a work of very great charge). and the other 25 s. upon the delivery of the first Volume, for the second; a seventh Book free for his use that procures Subscriptions for six. The Work will be of the true value of four pound bound, and sold at that price; but is now offered at first hand, at the lowest rate, by Samuel Simmons Printer. *John Owen* Esq; and Mr *Alexander Mervall* Partners in *Breadstreet*, *London*, have undertaken to receive the Money subscribed, give Receipts, and be accountable for the same, where also may be had the Specimen of it, with Proposals concerning it more at large.

☞ Tolen or strayed on Saturday last, out of the Grounds of *William Noysey* Esq; in *Oldford* near *Stratford-Bow* in the County of *Middlesex*, one dark brown Gelving, with a black mane and tail, about 14 hands high, having a white slip near his near Nostril, and no other white at all in him, but saddle galls, and trots all; If any one bring tidings of him to Mr *Henry Twiford* a Book seller in *Vine Court* in the *Middle Temple*, he shall be well rewarded for his pains.