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AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 23d Day of November, 1749.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty having been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable George Dunk, Earl of Halifax, to be Lord Lieutenant of the County of Northampton, and the Right Honourable Francis, Earl Brooke, to be Lord Lieutenant of the County of Warwick, their Lordships this Day took the Oaths appointed to be taken thereupon, instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

This Day Lieutenant General John Huske was, by His Majesty's Command, sworn Governor of His Majesty's Island of Jersey.

*Florence, Nov. 14, N. S.* On the 12th Instant the Regency received an Express, with Dispatches from the Governor of Leghorn, to inform them, that on the 11th Instant, a Genoese Settee and a Xebeck Cruizer, chasing two Xebeck Pirates from Tunis, an Engagement ensued in Sight of that Port, in which the Tunefines, being overpowered, endeavoured to take Shelter under the Protection of the Cannon of the Towers along the East Coast of Leghorn, but they were closely pursued by the Genoese, within Reach of the Cannon of the Tower of Antignano; and though the Tower fired constantly against the Genoese, they carried off one of the Tunefine Xebecks; her Crew consisted of about 80 Men, out of which 52 escaped by swimming to shore, who were received by a Detachment of Soldiers, both Horse and Foot, from the Garrison of Leghorn, and immediately sent to the Lazzeretto, to perform Quarantine; the rest were either killed or made Prisoners by the Genoese. The other Xebeck made her Escape, during the Engagement, and got into the Harbour of Leghorn. In Consequence of this Irregularity on the Part of the Genoese, on the 11th at Night the Governor of Leghorn sent a Detachment of Grenadiers, distributed in divers Boats, to secure the Masters and Part of the Crews of all the Genoese Vessels then in the Port; the former, in Number upwards of 60, were sent to the Castle, and the latter to the common Jails. The Rudders and Sails of the Vessels were likewise taken away to prevent their Departure, in order that a proper Satisfaction be given for the Insult committed within the Emperor's Jurisdiction.

*Genoa, Nov. 17, N. S.* Some Days ago arrived here four French Gallies from Antibes with the Infanta of Spain, Dutchess of Parma; on her Arrival she was saluted with 100 Cannon, and her Daughter with 41. Six Gentlemen and

six Ladies of the first Families were deputed by the Republick to compliment her Highness on her Arrival, and to wait on her during her Stay here. Two Days ago arrived here an armed Bark and a Xebeck belonging to this State; they have been out upon a Cruize against the Turks, and have brought in two Prizes, one of them a Tunefine, which they took near Leghorn, which some Advices from thence say, was under the Cannon Shot of a little Castle, on which Account the Governor of Leghorn seized upon all the Masters and Mariners of all the Genoese Vessels that were in that Port, and intimated to the Republick's Consul, that neither the Men, nor the Vessels, should be set at Liberty till the Tunefine Vessel was restored. On the Receipt of this News, an extraordinary Council was held by this Government, at the breaking up of which, three Couriers were dispatched, one to Vienna, one to Rome, and the other to Paris. It appears by the Examinations which have been taken from the Commanders and Officers of the two armed Vessels, as well as from the Masters of other Vessels which were in Sight, that the Tunefine was not within two Gun-shot when she was taken; and Letters of the 14th Instant, just received from Leghorn, say, that the Regency of Florence had not approved of the Governor's Behaviour in this Affair, and had ordered that the Masters and Mariners should be set at Liberty, and put in quiet Possession of their Vessels.

*Madrid, Nov. 17.* Their Catholick Majesty's have fixed upon the 22d Instant for the Return of the Court to this Place, in order to pass the Winter at the Buen Retiro. This being the Anniversary of the Birth-day of the Infanta Donna Maria Antonia, who enters into the twenty-first Year of her Age, their Catholick Majesties received the usual Compliments from the Foreign Ministers and Persons of Distinction on that Occasion. It is expected that the Marriage between this Princess and the Duke of Savoy will be declared in a short Time. On the 14th Instant M. de Carvalho, late his Portuguese Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of Vienna, was presented to their Catholick Majesties by the Vicount de Ponte de Lima, the Portuguese Ambassador at this Court; and on the 16th M. Carvalho, with his Lady and Family, left this Place in order to return to Lisbon, where, it is said, a very considerable Employment will be conferred upon him. A Contract of Marriage is agreed upon between Don Nicolas de Carvasal and Lancaster, Uncle to the present Duke de Linares and Alrantes, and Brother to his Catholick Majesty's Minister of State, Colonel of the Spanish Guards, who served in Quality of Lieutenant