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Oxon, Decemb. 9.

**T**his day the Sieur Van Gogh, Ambassador from the States of the United Provinces had Audience of His Majesty, where he delivered his Letters of Revocation, acquainting His Majesty with the Order he had received from his Masters to return home.

Oxon, Dec. 11. By Letters from Portsmouth, dated the 9th instant, we understand that a Court Martial has sat there, and condemned to death two Sea-men belonging to the *Gloster*, for some disorders committed by them. 'Tis farther advis'd, that diverse of the ships there have received pay, to the great satisfaction of the Sea-men: but that which giveth them the greatest evidence of the care taken of them is, a supply of cloaths sent thither; by which they are fully sensible, that the hardships which they have undergone, have been the unavoidable effects of the Contagion, and no want of care in their superiours; so that they have not the least doubt, but that the Plague decreasing, as it doth, they shall be provided for to their just expectations, and all unanimously and cheerfully go on to promote his Majesties service.

Wigan in Lancashire, Dec. 5. This Town was startled at the death of a Woman, who was found early in the morning before the dore of a poor Cottage in the high-way, within the Limits of this Corporation; The Major of this Town was very industrious to find the cause of it, and upon due examination of three Persons that came with her into the Town from Ireland, and many notorious circumstances, it appeared that she was clear of any Infection, and that being with Child, to avoid the shame among her Friends, who are of good Fashion, and live not many miles from this place, she destroy'd her self by poyson.

Pera of Constantinople, Sep. 10. The Peace being wholly concluded and compleated with Germany, the Turks are resolv'd to bend their force against Candia, intending to swallow it up intirely in one year; and to that end make not only Preparations of their own for Transportation of their Soldiery, but also have laid an Embargo on all Christian ships within their power. In Train of the German Ambassador arriv'd here the Marquise Durazzo's Brother, one who pretends to be sent by the Republicque of Genova to the Grand Signor, in nature of an Envoy, to know whether license may be given for the coming of an Ambassador to the Grand Signor from that Republick, that so they may again renew their ancient Trade with this place; which proposition being made to the Vizier by a Letter from that State, he replied according to their old stile and Maxim, That the Arms of the Port are always open to receive their Friends: This Embassy from Genova, may in time introduce another from Spain.

Ditto, Oct. 2. The Grand Signor is with his Court return'd again to this City, who though he cannot be heartily reconciled to this place; yet at the perswasion of those, on whom he puts some confidence, he resolv'd to visit it, but how long he may continue in this humour is uncertain; his thoughts and wishes are said to be at Adrianople, but the endeavours of his chief Ministers are to keep him here.

Rome, Novemb. 21. Cardinal Antonio Barbarini is come with a desire to have the Popes Bulls for his Archbishoprick of Rhemes, seconded with the desires of the French King. He is Camerlengo of the Church, the greatest dignity of it; and in the vacancy governs for nine days, coynes monies, and has his Swisse-Guards. His Holyness now is said to be therefore absolutely resolv'd to make him quit the one or the other, and the French King pretends he shall keep the possession of both, which will beget matter of new rancor and unkindness between them.

Since the death of Duke de Cesarini, who hath left only Daughters, his Brother Monsieur Cesarini succeeds in the Dignities and Estate; between his Holyness, and whom there is such kindness, that a Treaty of a Match is introduced between one of his Nieces (Daughter to the late Duke) and Don Sigismundo Chigi, Nephew to the Pope, to give the Cap design'd for him to Monsieur Cesarini, and so hedge in the Honors of many Dukedoms and Principalities, with a vast Estate.

Stockholm, Novemb. 15. This Week came a strange Alarm from Muscovy ward, of an intended Incurision of theirs into Liefland this Winter, which so startled the Government here, that they arrested very many Ships and Schuits in this Port, as well Strangers as their own, to carry men and Ammunition thither, which they intend ere mid-winter, yet to fortifie, with a strength of eleven or twelve thousand Foot, and two thousand Horse. The ground of this jealousy, and the truth of it is not yet publick. The Field-Marshal, Count Wrangel, intends to pass the Holy-days in the Dukedom of Bremen, till when, the Design of those Forces will hardly be discovered.

Deal, Decemb. 7. On the fifth in the afternoon, a Privateer carried a Galliot which he had taken, through the Downs for Harwich. The Sicknes (God be praised) doth very much decrease in Sandwich and Dover.

Tork, Dec. 9. This day we received advise from Newcastle, dated the eighth present, that the Evening before, Captain Lightfoot of the *Speedwell*, brought in thither two Prizes, but of their lading there is no mention.

Dover, Dec. 8. The *Swallow* Ketch, Capt. Berry Commander, brought into our Road three Prizes, one laden with Wine and Brandy from Bourdeaux, the other two outward bound empty, design'd for the said Port. Several Vessels were this day seen in the Narrow passing Northward, after whom his Majesties Frigate, the *Success*, made all his Sails, and will doubtless give a good account of them. The former of the Tydes breaking in, should have given you an account of the strange preservation of Mrs Nephews Daughter, who, with two Children in a close boarded Bed, did swim near to the Ceiling of the House, and sinking down with the Tyde, are all at this time very safe.

Tarmonth, Decemb. 6. Here came into this Road a Ship from Longsound, who hath been buskin too and again this Fort-night; in all which time, they saw not one Man of War, but within the Dogger sands about twelve Dogger Boats.

Hague, Dec. 11. As well Prince Maurice, as Mounsier de Pradelle, seem by their Letters to intimate it will be no easie matter to beat the Enemy out of the Hold; he hath in our Country, for the great difficulties of the Season, and the good provision they have made for their security and strength. We are told the Bishop hath Eight thousand Horse in a Body, which is more then all ours and the French put together can make. The Lunenburgh Forces had a late Muster upon the Weser, where appeared in the whole, but eighteen Troops of Horse, and twenty Companies of Foot.

The States of Holland have prohibited all trade to Greenland, and likewise to Norway, and the East Country, till farther order.

The Sieur Wickfort hath made complaint here in the name of the Duke of Lunenburgh, that those troops of his in East-Friesland receive not their pay, whereby they are much discouraged in this entrance into the States Service: Upon which the Dowager of East-Friesland being required to depute Persons thither about that matter, she answered a little dryly, That she must first consult the Duke of Lunenburgh, as Tutor to her Son. The Town of Embden hath likewise made a serious complaint, that contrary to their Priviledges, Greitzyle is like to be fortified.

The Danish Resident here, after the example of other our Neighbours