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Constantinople, December 2.

HE Contagious Distemper, which broke out last Autumn, and carried off a great Number of Persons, is now entirely ceased. Nasif-Mustapha-Effendi, First Secretary to the Grand Vizier, is discarded, and banished to Adrianople, and is fucceeded in that Employment by Beker-Effendi, Son - in - Law to Mustapha-Effendi, sormerly Ambassador from this Court to that of Vienna. Orders are fent to the Captain Bashaw, who is now at Sea with the Ottoman Fleet, to repair to Lepanto, there to remain in Exile; and the Command of the Fleet is conferred on Mehemet Bashaw, Inspector-General of the Navy. We learn by our last Letters from Adrianople, that the frequent Earthquakes that have lately happened in that City, and its Neighbourhood, have caused an infinite deal of Damage to the Inhabitants.

Parma, Dec. 23. The Clergy of this Dutchy, and those of Plaicentia and Guastalla, have sent hither their respective Deputies, in order to represent to the Insant Duke, the great Hardships which many of them labour under on Account of the new Tax on their Incomes; but as they are like to get no Relief, 'tis thought they will

solicit the Pope to intercede for them.

Cadiz, Dec. 26. By a small Vessel arrived at Sn Lucar from Buenos Ayres in 104 Days, we have a melancholy Confirmation of the Loss of a Portugueze Ship, called the Nuestra Sennora de la Luz, in the River de la Plata. This Vessel was sitted out from Lisbon, with Leave from the Court of Spain, in the Year 1748; and had on Board, when she was lost, a Million and Half of Dollars, 36,000 Hides, Vicunna Wools, &c. Only eight of the Crew were saved.

Genoa, Dec. 27. We are informed by the Master of a Pink lately arrived in this Port, that the Council of War in Spain having approved of the Marquess de la Mina's Plans for

repairing and augmenting the Fortifications of the principal Places in Catalonia, they were hard at Work in carrying the same into Execution.

Turin, Jan. 2. The late tempestuous Weather has done a great deal of Mischief upon the Coast of Sardinia, a great Number of Tartanes, Barks, and other small Vessels, having been either cast away, or drove on Shore, and very little of their Cargoes saved. They write from Parma, that Count Caraccioli, Prime Minister at that Court, is in Disgrace.

Erfort, Jan. 5. Last Night a Fire broke out at a House near the Church of St. Michael in his Town, which greatly alarmed the Inhabitants, but by timely Assistance the same was extinguished with only the Loss of three or four

Houses.

Berlin, Jan. 10. The King has appointed M. de Beck, one of his Privy Council, to be Director of the Chamber of War and Domains, in the room of M. Korneman deceased; and M. de Voss, heretofore Minister Plenipotentiary from this Court to that of Dresden, is appointed Vice-President of the Regency of the Dutchy of Magdebourg. His Majesty, in order to encourage the Sugar Bakers lately set up here, has caused a Prohibition to be published against the bringing of refined Sugars into this Country. We learn from Eastfrizeland, that the Town of Embden, and several other Places in that Neighbourhood, have received very confiderable Damages from one of their greatest Sluices having been broke down by the Weight of Water that bore upon it; upon which the Current run in so strong, as to occasion a perfect Inundation for fome Miles round.

Hague, Jan. 16. The States of Holland and Westfrizeland are to open their Assembly To-morrow; for which Purpose most of the Members are already arrived. This Morning Prince Czartorisky, a young Polish Nobleman, who is making the Tour of Europe, was introduced to her Royal Highness the Princess Governante, and met with a gracious Reception.

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