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Lisbon, Jan. 15. N. S.

**T**HE English Fleet commanded by Sir Cloudesly Shovell is ready to sail towards Valentia with the next fair Wind, together with the Transports, having on board the Land Forces, under the Command of his Excellency the Earl Rivers, who intends to embark this Evening. The Portuguese continue their Preparations against the next Campaign. The 13th Instant the Newcastle Man of War arrived here from Denia with Letters from Valentia, dated the 29th past. The Earl of Galway was then in that Place; The Troops under his Excellency's Command continued in their Quarters, without any Disturbance from the Enemy; and it was not doubted there, but upon their being joined by the Earl Rivers, with the Forces under his Command, they would be able soon to recover the Advantage they had over the Enemy the last Campaign. A Detachment from Valentia had met with a Body of the Enemy, consisting of 1000 Foot and 600 Horse, to whom they gave so entire a Defeat, that not above 20 escaped, the rest being either killed or taken Prisoners; after which our Men took a Post of great Importance on the River Ebro, called Mequinenza, which will open the Passage of the River from Arragon to Valentia, and by that means prove of very great use towards the supplying of Troops quartered in those Parts with Provisions and other Necessaries.

**Madrid, Jan. 5.** The Duke of Anjou has removed the Duke d'Hijar from being Viceroy of Galicia, upon Suspicion of his being inclined to the House of Austria, and has given that Place to the Marquis de Risbourg. There are Advices from Navarre, That the Marquis de Saluzo being sent with a Detachment from Tudela, had made himself Master of the Town of Exca in Arragon, not without much Opposition from the Garison; but not being in a Condition to advance any further, he plundered the Place, and having set Fire to it, returned to Tudela. At the same time we have an Account, That the Marquis de Pons, with a Detachment of our Troops from Castile, making an Excursion towards Saragossa, was fallen upon by a Body of the Confederate Forces, and with great Difficulty escaped with very few of his Men to Molinos, being pursued by the Confederate Troops, which had afterwards blocked up that Place. Letters from Cadiz mention a considerable Advantage gained the 20th past in a Sally by the Garison of Ceuta over the Moors before that Town; the Besieged having, as is said, nailed up 7 Pieces of their Cannon, and killed or taken many of their Men.

**Rome, Jan. 8.** Several Congregations have been held here upon the Occasion of the Demand made by the Imperialists of Contributions from the Territories belonging to this State; and the Pope has sent an Express to his Nuncio at Vienna, and a Gentleman with the Character of his Internuncio to Prince Eugene, to endeavour to obtain a total exemption for his Subjects from the Payment of any Contributions, or at least an Abatement of the Sums demanded. The Bishops of Posen and Warmia are set at Liberty, and the latter has been to wait upon the Pope; which the other has not yet been able to do, being indisposed.

**Venice, Jan. 14.** The Imperialists have agreed with the Duke of Parma upon what he is to pay by way of Contribution, and to be exempted from providing Winter Quarters for their Troops: They make Demands of the same nature from the Great Duke of Tuscany and the Republick of Genoa. Their Troops do more and more streighten Cremona, and will in some measure block up Mantua, those which were at St. Michel and St. Martin de Verona being marched from thence towards the Mantuan. General Medavi continues with the main Body of his Troops in the Country called the Seraglio; and, for his greater Security, has posted 4 Detachments at Certosa, Montanara, Borgoforte and Governolo. Prince Eugene has sent 2 Regiments to Como, and has also reinforced the Garison of Fort Fuentes, for the better preventing any Attempt of the Enemy upon the Milanese on that side.

**Milan, Jan. 15.** Prince Eugene went from hence yesterday for Turin, having settled with our Magistrates the Contributions which the Inhabitants of this Duchy are to pay towards the Subsistence of the Imperial Troops, at 20600 Livres a Day. The Preparations are continued for attacking our Castle. We have Advice, That the Marquis de Langalerie, with a Body of German Horse, has surpris'd Borgoforte, and taken the French Garison there Prisoners of War.

**Vitima, Jan. 16.** Count Dietrichstein, Ambassador from Malta, had publick Audience yesterday of the Emperor, to whom he made Compliments of Condoleance and Congra-

tulation, on the Death of the late Emperor, and his Imperial Majesty's Succession to the Throne. Letters from Hungary say, Prince Ragotzi was marched from Rosenau towards Mongatz.

**Dresden, Jan. 19.** King Augustus went yesterday to confer with the King of Sweden at Alt-Ranfstad. The Queen is shortly expected at Torgau from Culmbach. The Electress Dowager, with the Electoral Prince of Saxony, who, upon the Swedes marching into these Parts, retired into the Country of Holstein, will also return hither in few Days. Monsieur Printz, whom the King of Prussia had sent as his Envoy Extraordinary to the King of Sweden, is gone back to Berlin.

**Hanover, Jan. 21.** Our Elector returned hither the 17th Instant from Brunswick, having been entertained there with great Marks of Esteem and Respect by the Duke of Wolfenbuttic, who intends to come hither to partake of the Diversions of the Carnival.

**Frankfort, Jan. 23.** The Margrave of Brandenburg Beareth having taken upon him the Command of the Imperial Army on the Rhine, is on his Departure from Heilbron towards Stolhoffen, to view the Lines on that side. Several Candidates are named for the Post of General of the Forces of the Empire, in the room of the late Prince Lewis of Baden; but it is not yet known who is most likely to succeed him. Recruits are raising in these Parts and in Bavaria with very good Success for the Emperor's Service, and that of the several neighbouring Circles, who intend to have their Troops in a Condition to take the Field early the next Campaign.

**Hague, Jan. 28. N. S.** Yesterday in the Afternoon General Dopff set out from hence towards Germany, being charged with a Commission from this State to the Assembly of the Circles, which is to meet at Heilbron about the end of this Month; from whence he is to proceed to Vienna, to meet Prince Eugene, and concert Measures with his Highness for the next Campaign. The Count de Recheren will also shortly return to Vienna, as Envoy Extraordinary from the States General.

**Edinburgh, Jan. 16.** This Day the Act for Security of the Protestant Religion and Presbyterian Church-Government within Scotland; and the Act Ratifying and Approving the Treaty of Union of the Two Kingdoms of Scotland and England; were both Touched with the Royal Scepter, by his Grace James Duke of Queensberry, Her Majesty's High Commiissioner, in the usual manner.

**Falmouth, Jan. 18.** On the 14th Instant sailed hence to the Eastward two Dutch Men of War, and under their Convoy 6 Spanish Vessels from Bilbao, bound to Rotterdam; and 4 Prizes, taken by Dutch Privateers; the Industry of London, homeward bound from Virginia, taken by the French, and afterwards retaken by Her Majesty's Ship the Nonfuch; and a Swede, bound home from Rochell. The 16th came in here the Expedition Packet-Boat, Francis Clyes Commander, from Lisbon, having been 12 Days in her Passage. At the same time failed hence the St. Ann and of from Ostend, bound for Waterford; and the Flying Mercury of Amsterdam, laden with Corn for Bourdeaux no Amsterdam. The 17th arrived here from Plymouth the Nightingale of London, William Smiton Master. This Day failed the Dispatch Brigantine of London, and the Alliance Packet-Boat, John Green Commander, both bound for Lisbon.

**Plymouth, Jan. 17.** On the 13th Instant came in here the Shoreham from Ireland. The 14th came in from Penzance the Mary and Canary-Bird, both for Portugal: At the same time failed hence several of Her Majesty's Ships, and two Dutch Men of War, with about 70 Ships under their Convoy, some bound for London, and others for Holland; and the Restoration for Torbay. The 16th came in two Dutch Men of War and a Privateer from Falmouth, and with them 4 Prizes, and 6 Ships from Bilbao, bound for Holland; the Indian from Virginia, bound for London; a Dutch Ship for Cork, and two for France. Last Night failed hence the Charles Galley, with 24 Merchant Ships, to join the Men of War and Merchant-men commanded by Sir Thomas Dilks. The same Day came in the Mary Galley from London, bound for Lisbon, and a Dutch Prize. This Evening the Reserve and George Gallies returned hither from the Eastward.

**Dartmouth, Jan. 19.** On the 15th Instant Sir Tho. Dilks sailed from Torbay, having under his Convoy several Merchant Ships, outward bound: At the same time put into Torbay two Dutch Men of War from Plymouth, to wait for some Vessels from Topsham, bound for Holland, and were joined from hence by a Vessel from New-England, one from Maryland, one from Pennsylvania, and one from Jamaica, being all bound for London. This Day came in here two Dutch Vessels from Nantz, one laden with Freight, the other with Wine, both homeward bound. This Afternoon the two Dutch Men of War, with some Vessels from Topsham, and those bound for London above-mentioned, sailed to the Eastward.