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**S**T. James's, Dec. 13. This Day, by His Royal Highness's Command, his Grace John Duke of Roxburgh was sworn one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State of Great Britain.

*Madrid, Nov. 30.* By an Express from Alicante we have an Account, that the six Spanish Men of War which were sent the last Summer to the Assistance of the Venetians in the Levant, under the Command of the Marquess Mari, arrived in that Port on the 21st Instant, in 21 Days from Messina, and they are to proceed to Cadiz. We have also Advice, that the five Spanish Gallies commanded by Don Balthazar de Guevara, which were in the same Service against the Turks, put into Marseilles on the 13th of this Month, and they are expected at Cartagena in a little Time. 'Tis advised from Cadiz, that on the 22d of last Month two Men of War of the six lately built in Guipuscoa, arrived there, having had very stormy Weather in their Passage. The Marquess de Risbourg is expected here to Morrow from Biscay; 'tis not yet known whether he will accept the Command of the Regiment of Walloon Guards.

*Genoa, Dec. 8.* This Morning came into this Port the Fox, a British Man of War, in 12 Days from Port Mahon. On the 2d Instant the last of the four Men of War which this Republick sent to the Levant, in the Pope's Service, arrived here from Civita-Vecchia, and has since landed a few Marines of those she carried out, the rest having died of Distempers which they contracted in the Seas of Corsu. On the 3d came in one of our Gallies from Toulon, having on board Sig. Mari, late Envoy from this State at the Court of France; who at his landing was received by a good Number of the Nobles, and accompanied by them to the Doge's Palace, where he gave in his Report of what he had done at that Court.

*From on board His Majesty's Ship the-Exeter, in Copenhagen Road, Nov. 24.* O. S. Commandore Cleveland, with the Men of War left here under his Command by Sir John Norris, will sail for England the End of this Month. Yesterday His Majesty's Ship the Oxford, returned hither from the Island of Annout, with Captain Johnson of the Auguste, (which in the Storm on the 9th Instant was stranded on that Island) all his Officers, and about 250 of his Men; three

Boats, with some others of his Men in them, were driven on the Swedish Coast, where 'tis hoped they got to Land, but we have not yet any Account of them. The Dutch Squadron of Men of War, with all their Trade, continue still at Elsinore.

*Hambourg, Dec. 11.* Yesterday M. Tolstoy, one of the Czar's Privy-Counsellors, set out from hence with a Commission from his Master, for Hanover, whence he is to proceed to meet his Czarish Majesty in Holland. Before the Czar left Altena, this City, at the Request of M. Winorowski in a Letter under his own Hand, sent him with a Guard to his Czarish Majesty, by whose Orders he had been made Prisoner here some Time ago; since which M. Botticher, the Russian Resident here, has received Order to declare, that his Master does not take well from our Magistrates the doing this at the Instance of the Prisoner, and not of their own Motion upon his demanding him. M. Winorowski is sent to Boitzenbourg, and being a Nephew of Mazeppa, is to be examined in relation to the Rebellion in the Ukraine, when his Uncle joyned the Swedes. 'Tis advised from Copenhagen, that they had an Account of the King of Sweden's being in Motion towards the Swinsund with a considerable Body of Troops, with Design to make an Irruption into Norway; for the Defence of which Kingdom great Preparations are making by the Danes.

*Hague, Dec. 18.* The Treaty of Alliance with France is ingrossing, in Latin and in French, in order to be Signed; which 'tis expected will be done the Middle of next Week, by the Lord Cadogan His Britannick Majesty's Ambassadour, the Abbot du Bois and the Marquess de Chateauneuf Ambassadours of France, and by the Deputies of the several Provinces of this State. The Earl of Albemarle and M. Hooft, with two other Deputies, set out from hence on the 13th, to go to meet the Czar, and compliment him on the Part of the Province of Holland: Lodgings are taken for him at Amsterdam; and also at Sardam, where live many Artificers who work for the Sea Service, and where are always great Stores of Materials, wrought and unwrought, used in the Building and Rigging of Ships. Yesterday his Czarish Majesty arrived at Amsterdam, and is expected here in 3 or 4 Days. The States of the Province of Holland are assembled