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Pendennis, Novemb. 5.

**O**N Friday and Saturday last several ships came in here, particularly a small Vessel from Ireland, laden with Butter, bound for *Ostend*: Another from *Bourdeaux*, belonging to *Bruges*, laden with new Wines, who had several Coqueurs intended for *Hamburg*, which he pretends to have sent overland, himself intending for *Boston*. A third, a *Swede* laden also with Wines from *Bourdeaux*, and bound homewards: They were in all 18 or 20 in company, but were dispersed by storm, and can as yet give but little account of the rest. The French fleet (as they tell us) continue still at *Havre de Grace*; they speak of several Dutch Merchants that lie laden ready to sail, and give out, they will pass through the Channel.

*Edinburgh, Novemb. 6.* The *Danes* Man of War lately brought into *Peterhead*, had in him 28 Guns, 4000 weight of Powder, great store of other provisions, and 130 men: he had in the storm, spent all his Masts, and had four foot of Water in hold, which had spoiled most of his Powder. The Captain concludes all or most of the other eight of his company in as bad, if not worse condition than himself. We have here a confident report of the wreck of a Ship of fifty brass Guns more to the Northwards of us; of which, we expect farther confirmation.

*Falmouth, Novemb. 7.* The fifth instant was brought in here, a French prize, taken by the *Guernsey* Frigate of 100 Tuns laden with Bank-fish.

*Minehead, Novemb. 9.* Here is arrived the *Humility*, a small Barque of 50 Tuns, with Wool and Sugar from *Dun-garvan*: Here came in also the *Anne* of *Newton* in *Wales* with Coals, who in his last return discovered a great Tree floating near the midst of the Channel; its boughs much broken, and the body covered with Barnacles. He with his crew, with some difficulty, haled it to shore at *Newton*, it proves in length 84 foot, and nine foot in circumference, and he supposes may make a good Mast for a third Rate Ship.

*West-Cotes, Novemb. 10.* Here are lately arrived, driven in, by storms and contrary winds, the *St. Jacob* of *Ostend*, *Jo. Gerritson* Master, the *Town* of *Gauat*, *Jo. Budars* Master, the *St. Francis*, *Ant. Sola* Master, the *St. William* of *Bruges*, and the *Fortune* of *Hamburg*, all of them bound for *Bourdeaux*, to lade Wines. Those from *Flanders* speak much of their apprehensions in those parts of the French preparations, which they suppose to be intended against them, and are accordingly busy in fortifying upon the Frontiers, and in all places reinforcing their Garrisons, to prevent any sudden attempts.

*Rome, Octob. 23.* His Holiness in his way to the *Castel Gondolfo* the last week, seemed much pleased with the Treat made him at *Fratoccio*, by the Constable *Colonna's* Brother, to whom he showed extraordinary kindness, and 'tis believed is endeavoring upon that occasion to reconcile the differences between the *Chigi* and the Constable, which have been very high between them, since the beginning of his Pontificate.

The Pope seems much recovered from his distemper, and daily diverts himself at *Castel Gondolfo*, taking the air in a rich *Caleche*.

*Genova, Octob. 25.* Letters from *Rouceda* of *Octob.* 19. tell us, That the 17 instant, her Imperial Majesty arrived there with only her own Train, all of them in mourning; and the next went to hear Mass at the great Church, attended on by the Duke of *Albuquerque*, with six Spanish

Coaches, and a Train of Sixty persons in rich Liveries. After Dinner the Prince de *Dietrichstein* made him a Visit, and afterwards about five in the afternoon came to the Court, where he found the Empress sitting under a Canopy of State of Crimson Velvet, on her right hand attended by her Ladies, and on her left by the Duke of *Albuquerque*; near whom the Prince taking his place, the Secretary of the King of *Spain* read the Contract of Marriage; which ended, the Duke upon his knees kissed the Empress's hand, and taking his leave, committed his charge to the Prince *Dietrichstein*. The Empress, then rising up, gave her hand to all her Spanish Train, who with tears in their eyes took their leaves; and a little after retiring to her Closet, gave there her last and private Audience to the Duke of *Albuquerque*: After which, he with his whole Train left the City, and lodged that Night in a Village near it, in order to his return. The Empress preparing the next day to go forwards for *Trent*.

The preparations made by the Republick of *Venice* for the entertainment of the Empress at *Brescia*, are extraordinary great and magnificent; besides which, they have ordered that all her Expences during her continuance in their Territories, shall be defrayed by the Senate, and the care of all committed to their Ambassador *Procuratore Valiero*, who attends the Empress with a Train of at the least 300 persons, acquitting himself of his charge, with much gallantry.

The Spanish behaviours to that, that made their Addresses at *Milan* to the Empress, has extremely displeas'd all persons, especially the Princes of *Italy*. At the Empress's departure thence, the Spaniards that attended her, tore down, spoiled and carried away with them all the rich Furniture that belonged to her Apartment, in which many persons are highly concerned, who lent their richest Household-stuffe to the Governor to furnish the Palace upon that occasion.

*Venice, October 29.* Signior *Procuratore Valiero*, having conducted the Empress through the Territories of this Republick is returned hither; and on Saturday morning last went to attend the Duke, to give him an Account of his Embassy, which he performed with much satisfaction to the Empress, by whom he was received with all possible shewes of esteem and kindness, and presented with a jewel of rich Diamonds, which the Ambassador received from the Master of the Jewels, whom he in return presented with a rich Chain. The Duke of *Albuquerque* in the name of the Emperor and King of *Spain* conferring on him the honor of Knighthood: Several Chains of good value were likewise presented by the Empress's command to the principal persons that accompanied him in his Embassy.

The Duke of *Albuquerque* with the rest of the Spanish Train, are upon their return and by order of the Senate, are treated in all parts of our Dominions: two of her Majesties Major Domo, arrived lately here to see this City and the Curiosities herein, where they are attended by Signior *Procuratore Valiero*, and the principal persons of this City, and treated according to their qualities.

Our Letters from *Dalmatia* inform us, that General *Cornaro* having visited and reinforced all the principal places in that Country was returned to *Zara*, where at present he continues attending the motion of the Turks, of whom they have heard but little news of late, since they retreated to their own quarters; only some small parties are sent out to forrage, which hath been sufficiently revenged by a party of our *Morlachs*, who making an incursion into the Enemies Country, returned with a very considerable booty, and much Cattle.

Our men of War have secured the Seas from the Piracies of the *Corfaires*, of whom we have not of late heard any thing, only that one of them some few daies since was chased by a Vessel of ours, who killed several men aboard the Turks Vessel, and had certainly taken him, had not the night prevented.

*Legorn, October 26.* We have lately advice from *Smyrna*, that some misunderstanding begins there to appear between the French and *Genoese*, which principally arises from the French jealousy of the growing trade of *Genova* in the *Levant*, and is increased upon their declaring against the French five Sols pieces, which are much valued in the *Levant*, as being of an Alloy 16 per cent, below the standard of *Seville* and *Mexico* Dollars, the venting of which money as is pretended, enabled the French to give higher rates for the *Armenian* silks, than other Merchants could afford, and so consequently beat them out of the Trade. The Grand Visier has it seems taken the abuse so far into his consideration, as to prevent the disorder for the future, he has commanded those five Sols pieces, and all of the Alloy to be caved down, the French Ambassador being unable to prevail for the suspending of the Decree for six months.

The *Genoese* have of late introduced a new Coin of their Republick, which is believed is equal to the *Mexico* Dollars.

The nineteenth instant, three Gallies past by in sight of this Port, which by advice brought in by a *Felucca*, that came in the same day, were thought to belong to the Squadron of the Duke di *Fursi*, bound from *Naples* for *Spain* with new raised foot for the Kings service. The same *Felucca* telling us of seven Spanish Gallies which he saw off *Monte Argentario*, with more foot aboard them upon the same account, who in their passage stop all the Barques they met with, searching them for counterbanded goods.

The twentieth instant, arrived here the *St. Francis*, a French Vessel well fraught, in 26 days from *Cyprus*, who by the way touched at *Argentera*, and *Malta*, and tells us of the arrival of several Gallies in *Sicily*. By a French Barque arrived from *Constantinople* at *Malta*, he was informed of the safe arrival of the *Genova* Convoy at *Smyrna*, and that the *Venetian Armada* were then riding about the Isle of *Andro*. In his return off *Corfica*, he fell into a Squadron of *Tunis* *Corfaires*, who presently boarded him; but after some examination dismissed him without farther trouble, then taking with them a Vessel of Wine, which he was not unwilling to part with to them.

*Madrid, Novemb. 1.* Letters from *Tangier* inform us, that *Tassileta* is gone with his Army against *Bambucar* King of *Fet. Gaylands* Father in Law, in which, if he prove successful, he designs as his skill to conclude a Peace with that Garrison, which is in a very good condition, and by a new Fort lately made, have taken in a considerable plot of ground, which will be of much advantage to them.

A Letter lately sent from *Caracoe* to her Majesty, informs her that he had intercepted a party of 600 *Portuguese* horse, taken a Lieutenant General, three Commissary Generals, and 22 Captains, and was further prosecuting the Victory. Other Letters speak only of 200 horse taken: but the *Portuguese* are so far from owning this success, that they report the advantage to be on their side, the certainty we may expect here after.

Later Letters from *Tangier* advise us that *Tasalete* had lately beaten the *Sante*, and *Gaylands* condition by the defeat grown very desperate.

The extraordinary rising of the prices of Corns in this Kingdom, makes us generally fear a Famine before the year be over unless we can be supplied from abroad.

*Hague, Novemb. 16.* This day the States received Letters by two Couriers of parcels, one from the Elector of *Brandenburg*, and the other from the Duke of *Lunenburg*, pressing earnestly for success against the *Swedes*, who having raised the Siege, have quitted *Bremen*, and are marched to the Frontiers of *Lunenburg*, where the General has given arms to 3000 Peasants, and is there breaking ground, intending to build a very strong Fort; which (if not prevented) will

much incommode *Lunenburg*, and be very prejudicial to the States; and 'tis said, they are by this engaged by the *Lunenburgers*. This news has alarm'd the States, who have taken order to hasten the march of their forces.

'Tis here taken for granted, that the French have made a league with the *Swedes* against the House of *Austria*, and that an Ambassador is sent to ratifie it, and pass by this place *incognito*.

*Paris, Novemb. 16.* Yesterday about five in the Evening, three Thieves entered into the Chamber of Monsieur *Eraneu* an Abbot, Keeper of his Majesties Meddals, dwelling in the *Louvre*, whom they stur'd in his Bed, and seized upon a great quantity of the Meddals; but were (it seems) discovered before they could secure themselves with their booty: One of them endeavoring to escape by climbing over the houses, was killed by a shot; another taken with many Meddals about him, but the third had the fortune to escape.

Besides the late Ordinance prohibiting the Admission of any persons into Religious Orders under twenty five years of age, if men; and under twenty, if women: All Abbesses and Ladies Superiors, are forbidden to receive above 1000 Livres apiece for those they admit into Convents, or above 100 Crowns for each person.

Order is likewise taken for Regulation among the Lawyers, that none may be admitted Advocates, before they have attained to a certain age prescribed in the Ordinance, and spent a limited time in that study; which is to be well attested before their admissions.

The King being informed that several persons had died in prison, during the long vacations, in which their causes could not be brought to a hearing, has now ordered, That no persons be imprisoned for any civil debts, during the vacations.

The Chamber des *Grands Jours* sitting at *Puy la Velay* has of late proceeded severely against several persons; and ordered several Gibbets to be set up, where some executions has been already done; and that the Count de *Rieux*, the Baron de *Queiles*, and the Viscount de *Polignac*, have been cited, but would not appear; the latter of them repaining hither to make his excuses to his Majesty, and purge himself of the crimes whereof he was accused.

*Antwerp, Novemb. 20.* Letters from *Hamburg* of the 13 instant tell us, that the *Swedes* Army of 12000 men compleat were still about *Bremen*, and that the Princes of *Lunenburg*, *Brunswick*, and *Celle*, had likewise an Army of 12000 men upon the *Weser* and thereabouts, and that 4000 more were expected from the Elector of *Brandenburg*, and 6000 from *Holland*, and 2000 from the Elector of *Cologne*, to oppose the *Swedes*, who (it is believed) has some great design on foot, the Treaty being concluded with *Muscovy*, and 15000 men employed in *Finland* and *Ingermanland*, having orders sent them to Embark themselves (speciely for *Germany*, for which purpose they had prest all sorts of Vessels that could be found at *Archholme* to transport them before the Frosts into *Pomonia*, which gives no small jealousy to the *Danes*, who are putting themselves into a posture, and building more ships, and have (as 'tis said) already 12000 men in arms in *Norway*.

*Edenburgh, Novemb. 8.* We are now assured, that the Vice-Admiral of *Danemark* of 52 Guns, is by Storm forced into the North of *Scotland*, and secured.

Letters from *Capt. Hamilton* advise us, that he hath taken a ship of 400 Tuns laden with *Por-Allas*, *Turky-Leather*, and *Fatts*.

The Account of the Sheriffs given out the last week admits of these alterations.

For *Cornwall*, *Jo. St. Aubin* in place of *Mr. Connock*.  
For *Sussex*, *Sir Jo. Morley* in place of *Mr. Harrington*.  
For *Monmouth*, *Christo. Perkins* in place of *Jo. Arnold Esq*.  
For *Cheshire*, *Sir Rich. Brook* in place of *Jo. Crew Esq*.

*Whitchal, Novemb. 14.* The tenth instant, His Majesty in Council was pleased to Order, That Tuesday the Twentieth of this Month be observed in the Cities of *London* and *Westminster*, and the several Parishes within the Weekly Bill of Mortality, as a Day of Thanksgiving to God for allwaging the late Contagion and Pestilence.