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*Madrid, Novemb. 5.*

**Y**esterday in the Evning parted hence an Express to *Saragusa* in *Arragon*, with Letters, as is said, to the States of that Kingdom, to acquaint them that his Majesty intends to visit them very suddenly, to confirm their Priviledges, which is what they by their Deputies have prayed of the King. The Marquis de *Villa Sierra* is made Grandee of *Spain*, but as yet we do not hear of his being declared first Minister of State; the other day the King being abroad a Hunting, and discharging a Fowling-piece, hapned to hit the said Marquis, who was before him, which lightly wounded him in the thigh. We expect every day, to hear from *Cadix* of the arrival of our *New Spain* Fleet; for which we are the more concerned, because of the Reports that are spread abroad, as if the Count d'*Esprees* was Cruising with a Squadron of *French* Men of War, with design to meet and attack the said Fleet, for whose security 6 or 7 *Spanish* Men of War are gone from *Cadix*, to endeavor to meet and convoy it thither. We have not heard of late of any great matters from *Catalonia*, and do not now expect we shall, seeing the Winter season is so far advanced.

*Dantzick, Nov. 15.* Our Letters from *Le pol* inform us, That the *Turks* and *Tartars*, upon the conclusion of the Peace, were retired, and had already repassed the *Nieper*; and that the King of *Poland* was in few dayes expected from the Camp at *Zorawno* at *Leopol*, to meet the Archbishop of *Gnesna*, and most of the Senators of the Kingdom there, to consult with them concerning the putting the Articles of the said Peace in execution. Some advices mention as if the *Turks* seem'd disposed to fall upon the *Moscovites*, and to begin a War, which they have now ended with the *Poles* against those People; but no great credit can be given thereunto, till we hear of it from better hands. From *Riga* in *Livonia* we are told, that the *Suedes* continue in hopes of making a good conclusion of the Treaty depending with the *Moscovites* in the Spring, till when the Commissioners have adjourned their farther Conferences.

*Vienna, Nov. 16.* The necessary preparations are making here for the celebration of the Emperors marriage the 9th of the next month at *Passaw*, but particularly for the reception of their Imperial Majesties upon their coming hither, which will be with great splendor and magnificence. It is said that the Duke and Dutches of *Newburgh* will accompany their Daughter the Imperial Bride, with purpose to continue here, some time. The Archdutches, the Emperors Daughter, is now treated with all the State and Respects due to the Queen of *Spain*, whither she will be conducted in the Spring, and to that purpose a Solemn Embassy is expected here from *Spain* against that time. We cannot imagine what may be the business of the Ambassador which is said to be on his way hither from the Port, if it be not to the satisfaction of this Court, Count *Shafisgorz* will be sent Ambassador to the Grand Signior.

*Copenhagen, Nov. 17.* Since our last, we have no

thing new from *Schonen*, which makes us believe that nothing considerable has hapned, for otherwise we should have had an account of it; and in the interim very little credit is given to what hath for these two dayes past been reported of the two Kings having had a conference together between their Armies, though it's probable some of the principal Officers may have met, and spoke together. It is very much wished that the Duke of *Holstein*, General of our Forces, were at present in *Schonen* with his Majesty, he, as you have been formerly told, having with the Kings leave taken a journey to his own Estate, to pass the Winter there. *Malmoe*, it's said, begins to be extremely straightned, insomuch that the inhabitants will not be able to hold out much longer, through want of Provisions; the Governour of the place has however shewn a great deal of courage and resolution, having made several great Sallies, in some whereof he succeeded, and in others not.

*Hamburg, Nov. 21.* The *Suedes* in *Pomeeren* are very much pleased that the Elector of *Brandenburg* has been obliged to abandon the Siege of *Stetin*, for before he will be able to bring his Army into the Field againe the next year, they doubt not but they shall have received sufficient Reinforcements from *Saelen*, to enable them to prevent the Electors renewing the said Siege; and in the mean while they say the place is so well stored with Provisions, and all kind of Necessaries, as not to be in any want this Winter, during which, the Elector pretends to keep it blocked up.

*Strasburg, Nov. 18.* The States of the Circle of *Swabia* have used great endeavours by their Deputies at *Vienna*, to get themselves excused from giving Winter quarters to the Imperial Troops, but without any success; for one half of the Imperial Army is ordered to quarter in that Circle, and the other in *Franconia*. It is reported that the Duke of *Lorraine*, after he has spent the Troops in their said quarters, will go to *Vienna*, to pass there the dead of the Winter. From *Raißonne* they write, That the Danish Envoy, who lately arrived there, had proposed to the Electoral Colledge, the setting up a certain Toll by the King of *Denmark* at *Gluckstadt* on the *Elve*.

*Cologne, Nov. 21.* Since the demolishing the Citadell at *Liege*, our Elector, who is Prince of *Liege*, seems to have lost much of the authority which as such appertains to him, the Burghers there having taken upon them to order several matters of importance, and even to levy Taxes without his consent or knowledge; at which being much displeas'd, his Electoral Highness sent an order thither, that they should forbear to raise the said Taxes, which had not only no obedience yielded to it, but occasioned a great disorder in the Town, which was afterwards quieted again without any ill consequences.

*Hague, Nov. 24.* The state of the War for the year ensuing is said to be finished, being much the same it was this last year; when the States of *Holland* assemble, which will be this next week, it will be presented to them for their approbation; and after that is done, his Highness will set out for *Zeland*, to be there at the opening

The Assembly of the States of that Province, in order to the regulating the matter in difference about Dr. *Momms*. As yet there has not been any sentence pronounced in the affair of the *Sieur de Groot*, and it seems the thing will rest there, only it is expected that the Court of Justice will declare him acquitted and free from all farther attendance upon this Process. The Emperors Ambassadors, as likewise those of *Spain*, are expected at *Nimeguen* as we are told, by the beginning of the next month. The *Sieur Haugh*, Ambassador of the King of *Denmark*, is already upon the place.

*Paris, Nov. 25.* The Armies are now everywhere going into Winter-quarters. The Imperial Army under the command of the Duke of *Lorraine* not being longer able to subsist, decamped the 12 instant, taking its march towards *Suabia*, where part of those Troops are to winter; and the rest in *Franconia*; we are told that the said Troops, and especially the Infantry, are in a very ill condition, occasioned by the rigors of the Season. The Duke of *Luxemburg* finding the Enemy retired, likewise quitted his quarters in *Suwigow*, and marched towards *Westphalia*, where he separated his Army, and sent his Troops to the quarters assigned them. But what we less expected is, that the Confederate Army commanded by the Duke of *Zell*, and that under the conduct of the *Mareschal de Crequi*, have parted without any action of moment; and our advices from those Parts give us an account that the said Confederates had repulsed the *Rhinoc*, and that it was likely some difficulty would happen concerning their Winter-quarters, at least that the Princes in whose Countries they pretend to winter, would do all they could to excuse themselves. We are told that his Majesty has received a Letter this last week from the King of *Poland*, in which he acquaints his Majesty with his having happily concluded a Peace with the *Turks*; and by that means delivered the Kingdom of *Poland* from those dangers which the continuance of the War would have exposed it to in the present posture of its affairs. Here is a report in Town, as if Letters were come from *Sicily*, advising the taking of the *Scalera* by the Duke of *Vivonne*, of which we expect a confirmation. Upon the Complaints that have been made of the disturbance which the Subjects of His Majesty of *Great Britain* have frequently met with in their Navigation by the *French* Men of War and Privateers, the King has caused this following Ordinance to be Published, for the securing them against the like Troubles and Inconveniences for the future.

By the KING.

**H**IS Majesty being informed of divers Complaints made by the *English*, *Scottish*, and *Irish*, that the Vessels belonging to them are kept in their Voyages, and brought into the Ports of this Kingdom under divers Pretences, by his Majesties Ships, or those of his Subjects acting as Privateers against his Enemies; and that although they do obtain the Release of their said Ships, yet nevertheless their Commerce is thereby extremely retarded by reason of the long stay of their Ships in Port, he forsooke have their Orders of Release; His Majesty being willing to provide against the same, and likewise to evidence upon all occasions the particular consideration He hath for the Subjects of the King of *Great Britain*, hath prohibited and forbidden, and doth straightly prohibit and forbid all His Officers commanding His Ships of War, and all Captains of Ships, and Vessels of His Subjects acting as Privateers, that they do not Stop or Detain any *English*, *Scottish*, and *Irish* Vessels met by them, at Sea, which shall be furnished with Pass-ports signed by the King of *Great Britain*, or by the Commissioners of the Admiralty at *London*, and with Pass-ports or Sea-Briefs signed by the Mayors or other Chief Magistrates, or the Commissioners of the Customs of the Maritime Towns of *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*. And His Majesty doth require, that when the said

Ships of War or Privateers shall meet at Sea any the Ships of the foresaid Nations, they send their Boats on board them to demand the said Pass-ports; Which when they have seen, they are to leave them at liberty to continue their course, without giving them any molestation or hindrance: And all this under pain of being punished according to the rigour of the Laws. And His Majesty doth require and command the Count of *Vermandois* Admiral of *France*, the Vice-admirals, Lieutenants General, Intendants, Commanders of Squadrons, Commissaries General, and Captains of His Ships at Sea, that they see this present Order put in execution. And His Majesty doth enjoin the Officers of the Admiralty to cause the same to be read, published, and affixed in all places requisite, to the end no one may pretend ignorance. Given at *St Germain en Laye*, the 16th day of *November* 1676. Signed L O U I S.

And Countersigned COLBERT,

*Falmouth, Nov. 16.* Within these three dayes are arrived here several Vessels from *Nantz* in *France* laden with Wines and Brandy, the Masters report, that they have had a very good Vintage there this year, and the Wines very good. The last week sailed hence two Dutch Privateers, who, we hear, have since taken a *French* ship of 400 Tuns homeward bound from the *West-Indies*.

*Pendennis, Nov. 16.* The Wind having for some dayes past been Easterly, several ships are come into this Port homeward bound from *France*. On Tuesday last sailed from hence Captain *Hales* in the *New African* mounted with 30 Guns, bound for *Cadix*; and now the Wind being N. N. W. most of the ships that were in this Harbour, are under Sail.

*Deale, Nov. 21.* This afternoon arrived in the Downs a Pink from the Bay of *Biscay*, the Master reports, that between this place and *Dungenesse*, he saw at least 200 Sail, which came from *France*. Laden with Wine and Brandy, most bound for the *Netherlands*.

*Whitehall, Nov. 22.* His Majesty has been pleased to make these following alterations in the List of Sheriffs for the year ensuing.

Hereford	Joseph Hall Esq;
Kent	Thomas Cadwell Esq;
Somerset	Richard Landdowne Esq;
Suffolk	Robert Greene of Wilby Esq;

Advertisements.

**A New Map of *Alsatia* in six sheets with Descriptions.** Wherein is described the Campaigns of *Mareschal Turenne*, and *General Montecauli*, with their Incamping, Marching, and Countermarching on both sides the *Rhine*. By *James Archer* jun. Sold by *W. Berry* at the Globe between *Charingcross* and *Whitehall*, and by *R. Mordeat* at the *Atlas* in *Corhill* near the *Royal Exchange*.

**S**Tolen or lost from *Spring-Girdin*, from his Highness Prince *Rupert*, a Spanish Birch, white and yellow, with yellow ears. Whoever shall find and return the said Birch, shall have 10 s. Reward.

**O**N Thursday next, being the 30th of *November*, at the great Corner House in *St James's Square*, being on the Left Hand of *Charles-street*, leading to *St Albaine-street*, being the House wherein the Earl of *St Albaines* lately dwelt:

There will be exposed to Sale great quantities of Household Goods, viz *Tapistry Hangings*, *Damask Beds*, and other Beds Lined with Silks; also *Chairs*, *Carpets*, *Feather-beds*, *Quilts*, &c. And the Sale intended to continue 14 dayes from the date above said; The said House is likewise to be Let, either in one, or divided into two.

**L**ost or stolen the 16 instant, out of the Stables of *Jeseph Haynes* Esq; at *Tuffen* near *Brackly* in *Northamptonshire*. A dark brown Gelding about 14 hands and an inch, six years old, all his paces, a few white hairs in his forehead. Whoever gives notice of the said Gelding to *Mr George Mark* first Stationer two doors from the *Jamr Temple-gate*, shall be very well rewarded.