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Stockholm, Nov. 24.

THings are very much changed here for the better, and the People who seemed almost cast down at the ill success of Affairs, have taken great encouragement from several late advantages of His Majesties Army, so that they now with cheerfulness contribute to the continuance of the War. The last Letters from our Army, said that our Troops had taken from the Enemy 400 Wagons, laden with Ammunition and Provisions, and that the Danish Army was retired to *La deroon*, leaving all the Countrey open to us. The States of this Kingdom will be assembled about the middle of the next month at *Gottenburg*, where many of the Members are already arrived. Count *Mágrus de la Gardie*, the Crown Chantellor, hath for most of this Summer commanded an Army on the side of *Norway*, and hath done the Kingdom great service, in obliging the *Sieur Guldentieu* to abandon the design he had upon *Gottenburg*, and to retire into *Norway* with the Forces under his command; and some have hereupon reported, that the command of General of the Crown, will be conferred upon him. Great preparations are making here for putting out our Fleet very early the next year, without which it will be impossible to transport those Forces to *Pomeran*, which the preservation of that Countrey demands.

Copenhagen, Decemb. 12. The Armies in *Schonen* lie quartered as formerly, about two Leagues distant from each other, the Danes reaching from *Landskroon* to *Lundt*, and guarding the several Passes to *Malmoe*, to hinder any succors being sent thither. The Swedes have sent the greatest part of their Baggage to *Halmstadt*, but as yet there is not any appearance of the march of their Armies. On Wednesday last arrived here *Sieur Tromp*, who gave orders for the immediate departure of 6 light Frigats for *Calmar*. The next day the *Sieur Guldentieu* returned hither from *Schonen*, and to morrow he parts hence again to *Elseneur*, in order to his embarkation, and his passing with three Men of War to *Norw*, having orders, as we are told, to assemble the Troops in those parts, and to give the Swedes a diversion on that side during this Winter season.

Hamburgh, Decemb. 18. We expect with much impatience the arrival of the Post from *Denmark*, which ought to have come in this afternoon, for from *Lubeck* we have Letters which say, that there was arrived a Vessel from *Copenhagen*, the Master whereof reports, that he had heard great shooting after he was come out, and that he supposed it was in *Schonen*, upon which many are ready to conclude that the two Armies were engaged. *Cottin Anthony* of *Oldenburg*, Ambassador and Plenipotentiary of the King of *Denmark* for the Treaty of Peace, having made a short stay here, is gone forward on his journey to *Nimeguen*. The Elector of *Brandenburg*, as our Letters from *Berlin* advise, is drawing several Troops together, having, as is believed, a design in hand upon the Isle of *Rugen*. The Imperial Troops have forced the *Lunenburgs* to quit the quarters they had taken in the Countrey of *Mecklenburg*. The Elector of *Saxony* is resolute not to permit any Troops whatsover so winter in his Territories.

Strasburgh, Decemb. 14. The Electoral Prince of *Saxony*, who hath been detained here some time by an indisposition, is now so well recovered, that he purposes to part from hence in few dayes for *Spire*, and from thence to pass to *Francfort*. The *Sieur de Monclar*, who commands in chief in *Alsace*, has made it his business for these dayes past, to go from one place to the other, to visit the Garisons and the Magazines and upon the complaints made to him by the poor Inhabitants of the great oppressions they lie under, in that more Soldiers are quartered upon them than they can receive, has, as we are told, promised to give them some ease in that matter.

Francfort, Decemb. 16. The 14 instant was the day appointed for the celebration of the Emperors marriage at *Passau* for which great preparations have been made there. We have an account of the Imperial Brides being passed through *Bavaria* on her way thither, having in her journey been treated by order of the Elector of *Bavaria*, with great magnificence. From the Countries bordering on the *Rhine*, we hear of nothing but lamentations and complaints of the poor people, on occasion of the Winter quarters they are obliged to furnish. The States of *Franconia*, after having been assembled several dayes to consult concerning this matter which is so grievous to the Inhabitants, are separated, not having been able to obtain of the Regiments designed to winter in their Territories a delay of their march, till they had represented things to the Imperial Court. The Imperial City of *Wormes* hath been forced to yield, and to receive the Regiments of *Souhes*, *Grana*, and *Arce*, into Garrison there, on pretence to secure that City and its Territories against the incursions of the French Garrison of *Deuxponts*. Besides the *Lunenburg* Troops which are quartered in the Territories of this City, the Imperial Commissaries demand a considerable Sum of Money of our Magistrates, which they will find difficult to obtain. The Elector of *Saxony* has furnished his Frontier places with good Garisons, being resolved to oppose any that shall by force endeavor to take Winter-quarters in his Dominion.

Hague, Decemb. 22. His Highness has, since his return from *Zealand*, had several Conferences with the Count de *Waldeck*, the Count *Horthe*, General of the Artillery, &c. about matters relating to the next Campaign, and we are told that after Christmas, a List will be made publick of the Regiments that are to form the Army the next Summer. The States of *Holland* have only adjourned their Session till the beginning of the next month, in order to the finishing those matters that were before them, and especially to raise the monies necessary for the defraying the charges of the next Campaign. On Thursday last, the *Sieur Meyerkroon*, Envoy Extraordinary of the King of *Denmark*, presented a Memorial to the *States General*, in which he presses them to take such resolution concerning the equipping a Squadron of Men of War to join with those of the King his Master this next Summer in the Baltick, as the posture of affairs will require; in which the said Minister is the more earnest, for that all the advices from *Stockholme*, say