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Naples, Jan. 20.

BY the Gally that brought hither the Archbishop of *Palermo*, and other persons of quality, we have advice, that on the 18 past, 8 French Men of War, and several Tartanes, having on board a good Body of Infantry, sailed from *Messina*, with an intention of making some attempt upon *Siracusa*; but understanding that the intelligence they had there was discovered, and the persons concerned therein apprehended, they changed their course, and sailed towards *Trapani*; but finding likewise they could not do any good there, they returned the 30 of the same month to *Messina*. We have farther advice, that the Viceroy of *Sicily* hath put 4000 Foot and 700 Horse into *Catania*, and that he has reinforced the Garrison at *Siracusa* with 500 men.

Milan, Jan. 20. On Saturday last arrived here the Marquis de *Liche*, who is going in the quality of Ambassador Extraordinary of the King of *Spain* to *Rome*. All the Troops which are designed for *Sicily*, were to arrive yesterday at *Final*, where they are to embark.

Vienna, Jan. 31. The news we had of the submission of the Malecontents of *Hungary* comes confirmed; and we are told, that yesterday the Emperor signed a general Pardon of all past crimes and offences committed by them. It is said that several of the said Malecontents are entered into the Emperors service; that they are to be formed into two Regiments, and are to serve against the French. Here is arrived the Marquis de *Bethune*, being sent by the King of *Poland* to complement their Imperial Majesties on the subject of their marriage. The Sieur *Bevilacqua* the Popes Nuncio has taken his leave of the Emperor, in order to the beginning his journey to *Nimeguen*. It is all the discourse at Court that the Emperess is with child, at which there is great rejoicing.

Hamburg, Febr. 7. By some Passengers come from *Berlin* we are told, that the Elector of *Brandenburg* intended to part from thence in few days for *Wesel*, to meet the Prince of *Orange* there; That great preparations are making at *Berlin* and other places in his Electoral Highnesses Territories for the Siege of *Stetin*; though at the same time we hear from the other side, that the Count *Coningsmarke* General of the Suedish Forces in *Pomeran*, had so well provided that place with all things necessary for its defence, that those Inhabitants do not much apprehend a Siege. Our Letters from *Denmark* tell us, that the suddain Thaw they had there had very much set at ease the Countrey peoples who live near the *Soundt*, as to the fears they had of being visited by the Suedish parties, in case the Frost had continued some days longer, which would have given them an opportunity of passing the *Soundt* over the Ice. The King of *Denmark* makes great preparation for the Campaign; and it's said, that by the beginning of *April* he will pass over into *Schonen* with an Army of 30000 men. In the mean time we hear of no farther

action of the Suedes, but we are told, that even part of their Army is gone into their Winter-quarters.

Francfort, Febr. 5. It is the discourse among the Imperial Generals, that the Emperor and his Allies will have this next Campagne 80000 men in the Empire, to act in several places against the French, not reckoning the Troops of the Elector of *Brandenburg*, who are to be solely employed against the Suedes in *Pomeran*. Hitherto the Danish Minister, which is at *Ratisbonne* hath not succeeded in his pretention of establishing a Toll at *Gluckstadt*; and, it's said, that notwithstanding that some Princes of the Empire are inclined to gratifie the King of *Denmark* therein, considering the present conjuncture, and of the War he is engaged against the Crown of *Sueden*; yet that the thing is so strongly opposed by some of the greatest Princes of Christendom, that we have ground to believe that the said Danish Minister will hardly prevail with the Electoral Colledge to grant the said Toll. The French have not yet quitted *Deuxponts*, but continue very much to ruine the Countrey, as well in *Alsace* as in the lower *Palatinare*, by which means a great number of poor people are reduced to their last extremity.

Strasburg, Febr. 5. The French have not as yet quitted *Haguenaw* nor *Deuxponts*, though they continue to prepare their Mines in order thereunto. In the mean time their design seems to be, so to ruine *Alsatia*, as that it shall not be able to afford the Allies any subsistence for their Armies this next Campagne. The French have commanded the Inhabitants of *Bushweyler* to demolish their Walls and Gates, at which those poor people are greatly troubled. It is reported here, as if they intended likewise to demolish *Schlestadt*.

Disto, Febr. 8. The French have not as yet quitted either *Haguenaw* or *Saverne*, but we expect they will in few days. They have burnt *Croon Weissenburg*, which is one of the ten Imperial Towns in *Alsace*; and we are told, that the Enemies design is to ruine all the Countrey between the *Rhine* and the *Saar*, what so there may not be left any subsistence for the Imperial Armies. Several Imperial Troops have it's said passed the *Rhine*, and are on their march to hinder the Enemy from making any farther spoils.

Cologne, Febr. 12. The Sieur *Stractman* the Emperors third Ambassador for the Treaty at *Nimeguen*, continues still in this City. Yesterday he had audience of our Elector in the Abby of *St Pantaleon*. From the *Rhine* they write, that the French had demolished the City of *Deuxponts*; and from *Ratisbonne* our Letters tell us, that the 8th instant the Duke of *Neuburg* and the Count de *Montecuculi* were to be with the Elector of *Bswaria*, to press him to give a Categorical Answer, as to the part he intends to take in the present War, the Emperor willing by no means permit, as is said, that he remain Neuter, but that he declare for the one side or the other. We expect with some impatience to hear what this meeting will produce.

Brussels, Febr. 14. Marechal d' *Humières* hath finally put in execution the late Edict published by the French

French King, for the not permitting any persons to live within the French Conquests, whose Relations are in the Spanish Service, and accordingly several Families are come hither from thence, all their Estates being confiscated, not having had time either to transport or sell their moveables. Summons are also sent by the said Marechal to the chief Nobility here, whose Estates lie within the French Conquests, to repair to their Habitations within a limited time, and to take an Oath of Allegiance to that King, or else their Estates to be confiscated, and annexed to the Crown. The young Prince of *Issenghien* is lately married to the daughter of Marechal d'*Humieres*, which hath so much offended his Excellency, that he hath forbid the Prince his Father (although it's said the said marriage was made without his Knowledge) to come to this Court, and hath suspended him from the Government of *Guelderland*, and appointed the Marquis de *Constans* to supply that Government till further orders from *Spain*, and hath declared the young Prince of *Issenghien* a Deferrer and Rebel. On Thursday his Excellency intends for *Antwerp*, and from thence to take a short turn into *Flanders*, to see the condition of those parts.

Paris, Febr. 16. This morning, we are told, advice came from several parts, that all the French Troops that were quartered between this City and *Mons*, as also those that were at *Nivelle* and *Charleroy*, are marching towards *Haynault*. That the last night the Marechal d'*Humieres* accompanied with a great many of the Nobility, came from *Aeth* to *Enghien*, and that the French Troops making together 20000, were encamped near *Enghien*, and that they have all sorts of Provisions very cheap in their Camp. The Letters add, that according to all appearance the Enemy intends to besiege *Mons* or *St Ghislain*; many pieces of Cannon for Battery and Mortar-pieces having been brought from *Charleroy* to *Bitch*, and others by water from *Tournay* to *Condey*, to the number of 60, with all materials necessary for a Siege. We are told that there is also advice from *St Omers*, that they there likewise believe they shall be suddenly besieged, 25 large Vessels, laden with Cannon, Ammunition, and all other materials for a Siege being gone from *Lille* to *Aire*, and the French having not only seized all the Posts round *St Omers*, but likewise laid up vast quantities of Corn and Forage in all the adjacent places. That on the other side the Prince of *Roebuck*, Governor of *St Omers*, is not wanting to do his part to put all things into a posture of defence, having by opening a Sluice set most of the Countrey round under Water, stopped up all the Gates but one, and broken all the Bridges. Our Governor the Duke de *Villa Hermosa* has sent an Exprest to the *Hague*, to give the Prince of *Orange* an account of the posture of things, who we doubt not but will make all possible haste to come to our assistance. On Thursday next his Excellency intends to part hence for *Antwerp*, and from thence to make a turn into *Flanders*, to visit the several places in that Province. Our last Spanish Letters have given this Court great satisfaction, not doubting but we shall suddenly see the good effects of the late changes at *Madrid*.

Paris, Febr. 17. The Marechal de *Grammont* is parted in great haste for *Bayonne*, to see the Fortifications of that City repaired, they having suffered very much by the late great Floods in those parts. We cannot yet learn that the King has fixed the day of his departure towards the Army, though all the discourse at Court is, that it will be about the beginning of the next month. It is confidently said that four Regiments of Horse, and two Battalions of Foot, will embark about the middle of the next month at *Toulon*, in order to their passing to *Messina*, from whence we have not of late received any thing

of moment. The States of the Province of *Languedoc* have not only raised a Regiment of Dragoons, consisting in 17 Companies, at their own charge, but will likewise maintain it during such time as the King shall think fit to keep it on foot, at least during the present War; the command of the said Regiment is given to the Chevalier de *Ganges*. From *Madrid* we have a particular account of the arrival there of *Don Juan of Austria*, and that orders were issued for the apprehending several great Officers, and requiring others forthwith to leave *Madrid*. That the Nobility continue to prosecute the Marquis de *Villa Sierra* with much heat, against whom, it's said, a Process is framing, but as yet we do not hear the particulars of what they mean to charge him with. The Queen continued still at *Madrid*, and had not yet seen *Don Juan* since his arrival; it is believed her Majesty will retire to *Toledo*, *Granada*, or some other place. The Letters from *Nimeguen* tell us, that there was some difference between our Ambassadors and the Ambassador of *Denmark*, concerning the language to be used in the Powers to be given by the two Crowns to their Ambassadors there.

Harwich, Febr. 8. There was lately carried away out of this Port, a Ship of about One hundred Tuns, Frigate built, being a *Flemish* bottom, and laden with a great quantity of Gunpowder and Arms; she was manned with *English*; and as we hear was since in the Hope in the River of *Thames*, having been unlawfully taken out of the possession of the right Owners. The said ship was called the *Charles*, and her former Master was *Tho. Tarman*. Whoever can give notice of her to the Spanish Envoy in *London*, shall be well rewarded.

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being undertaken by his Kinsman *William M. gaw*, His Majesties Cosmographer, this is to give notice that for the perfecting thereof, there will be in *East* Term next, a general disposal of all his Books, at a greater advantage to the Adventurers, than hath been formerly proposed, or ever will be again; the Proposals are to be had at the Authors House in *White Fryers*, *Mr Wilkinsons* the *Black Boy* against *St Dunstons Church* in *Fleet Street*, *Mr Harding* at the Bible and Anchor at the West end of *St Pauls*, *Mr Park* the *Stations Arms* under the North side side of the *Royal Exchange*, *Mr Richards* at the *Golden Ball* in *Cornhill*, *Mr Not* the *King and Queens Arms* in the *Pall Mall*, and at the foot of the *Parliament Stairs*.

HIS Majesty having been pleased, upon the death of *George Thorpe* and *John Thorpe* Esquires, to grant unto *Roger Killegrew* Esq; the place of Water Bailiff, to have the oversight of the River of *Thames* between *Staines* and *Cyreneester* in *Gloucestershire*, and to correct all faults and misdemeanors committed by the Fishermen or others. These are to give Notice, that on the first of *March* next *Mr Killegrew* or his Deputy does intend to go up the River, to execute the said Office according to ancient Custom.

York Minister was broke open the 5th instant, and all the Communion Plate stolen, being one great Basin with the *Cross Keys* in the middle, engraven *Ex dono Regis Car 1633*. Two silver Ewers, the same Motto, engraven, *Ex dono*, &c. Two Chalices with Covers for Bread, with the same Motto; and two other Chalices with Covers of a different fashion. Whoever gives notice of the said Plate to the Dean of *St Paul's Church* in *London*, or the Dean and Chapter of *York*, shall have Forty pounds Reward.