

Eisenbourg, Decemb. 18. The King of Denmark is again returned to *Copenhagen*, where he meets with the News brought thither by several S. men, that five of the nine Men of War, sometime since sent out towards the Coast of *Norway*, are certainly lost, and the other four in a bad condition, scattered into several Harbours of that Country, and in no capacity of returning home.

Paris, Jan. 15. The twenty companies of Foot of the Regiment formerly belonging to the late Queen of France, are by his Majesty's order to make up a Regiment to be assigned to the Dauphin, he having two allotted him, the other is to be a Regiment of Horse.

His Majesty intends also to reduce the Secretaries belonging to his House, and to the Crown of France, to the number of 100, as formerly they were in the time of Francis the First.

Monsieur Colbert de Terron is commanded to have all ways in readiness all sorts of Provisions that are necessary for the service of the Fleet, accounting after the proportion of 100 sayles, which his Majesty intends to entertain for the future, in times of War and Peace.

He has likewise given order for the building of two very large ships at *Brest*, according to the Model of the Admiral of Portugal formerly built at *Brazil*, and brought from thence by the Duke de Beaufort, being a Vessel of 2200 Tuns and of 140 Port-holes for Cannon.

A draught has been lately presented to his Majesty for the making a new Haven at *Cherbourg*, in the lower *Normandy*, which is to be very large, able to contain and secure a considerable Fleet.

On the 15 past, Don Francisco Ferreira Rebellos was dispatched from *Lisbon*, and went thence Envoy from his Majesty of Portugal for this Court, (as we believe) to demand fresh succors and assistance in his Warres against Spain, if the Treaty between them take no effect.

The Duke de Luynes has lately wrote to the Duke de Chaulnes, now at Rome, for his consent, that his son, the Duke de Chevreuse, may marry with Mademoiselle Colbert; the ceremony attending only his Answer. The said Duke de Chaulnes is nominated Governor to the Dauphin, and (his said) his Majesty intends suddenly to recall him home to the exercise of his new charge, and send another person to supply his room there as Ambassador.

The *Hollanders* have lately made a return hither of Fifteen hundred thousand Livres, which is to be expended for Wines, which they intend to lade at *Bordeaux*, and for that purpose are fitting up a considerable number of Vessels to attend that affair, and will in short time set out for that place.

From *Marseilles* we are informed, that they are there taking order for the enlargement of their City, and are throwing down their old Walls, which they intend to raise in a larger extent then formerly.

Upon consideration of the intollerable abuses crept into proceedings at Law, by which causes have been many years together depending, to the great grievance and impoverishment of the parties interested, A proposition is again set on foot for the regulation of their practice; by which it is intended, that the most intricate and difficult causes whatsoever shall be determined in the space of six moneths, others proportionably in less time, and that no ordinary causes shall continue longer in the Courts then three moneths.

From *Savoy* we are informed, that that Duke has nominated the Marquis de Priansque for his Ambassador into Portugal, who is accordingly preparing for his journey; his business being chiefly to complement that King upon his late marriage with Mademoiselle, Sister-in-Law to his Highness.

The Farmers of the five great Farms are not yet satisfied in the Abatements they have petitioned for, upon the Decay of Trading through the Kingdom; but have particularly Remonstrated to his Majesty, the great prejudice they receive by the Prohibition of foreign Manufactures, whose Customs made up the greatest part of their Receipts.

Hague, Jan. 17. From *Amsterdam* we are informed that the French Agent has by Bills of return from France, received

the sum of 700000 Florins to be employed in the furnishing and equipping the six Ships built by order from the States for the service of that King.

Fifteen Ships that lay bound for *Ostend*, laden with Petticoats, Deals, &c. are kept in the *Maze*, but on what account it not yet told us.

An English Frigate that some few daies since chased in seven or eight *Amsterdam* Vessels that were going for *Ostend*, has since (as we are informed) in her return, taken two or three Merchants ships: The frequent appearing of those Frigates upon our Coasts, gives us much reason to apprehend that our Fleet expected from the *Sound*, may meet with opposition.

From *Dunkerke* we are assured, that four Flemish ships in one company, and as many more in another, bound homewards in their return from France, have been seized and brought in thither. The reason of which action is not yet known.

The Persons appointed to Preach before his Majesty, this following Lent, are,

<i>February 20</i> Ash- Wednesday	Bishop of <i>Winton</i> Dean of the Chappel
22 Friday	Dean of <i>St. Pauls</i>
24 Sunday	Bishop of <i>Chichester</i>
27 Wednesday	Doctor <i>Cradock</i> Dean of <i>Worcester</i>
<i>March 1</i> Friday	Bishop of <i>Chester</i>
3 Sunday	
6 Wednesday	Doctor <i>Tully</i> Dean of <i>Winchester</i>
8 Friday	Bishop of <i>Exeter</i>
10 Sunday	
13 Wednesday	Doctor <i>Stillingsfleet</i> Dean of <i>Windsor</i>
15 Friday	Bishop of <i>Hereford</i>
17 Sunday	
20 Wednesday	Doctor <i>William Lloyd</i> Dean of <i>Exeter</i>
22 Friday	Bishop of <i>Oxford</i>
24 Sunday	
27 Wednesday	Doctor <i>Outram</i> Dean of <i>Wells</i>
29 Friday	Archbishop of <i>Canterbury</i> , or Bishop of <i>Carlisle</i>
31 Palm Sunday	Doctor <i>Crew</i> Dean of <i>Westminster</i>
<i>April 3</i> Wednesday	Bishop of <i>London</i> , Lord <i>Almoner</i> .
5 Good Friday	
7 Easter day	

Weymouth, Jan. 9. On Monday last arrived here the Eagle Ketch from the Island of *Guernsey*, who crossing the Channel between the Islands of *Alderney* and *Portland*, fell into a Fleet of Ships, of whom 22 carried Lights, and of them one bear 3 great Lights, and near as many more, as he guessed, sailed without Lights. The Ketch had the good fortune to pass by the greatest part of them undiscovered, only 2 or 3 of those without Lights, firing upon her, but without any damage. The Captain supposes the most part of them to be Dutchmen of War, and by their course intending for *Brest*.

Edenburgh, Jan. 5. Twelve more of the Rebels condemned for the late Insurrection, were the last week executed; eight of them at *Air*, two at *Terwine*, and two at *Dumbfrees*; five of those that stood formerly condemned by the Justice of this City, viz. *Lenox*, *Lindsey*, *Pedant*, and two others have petitioned the Council for a farther Reprieve, who upon the consideration of their exemplary penitency have desired the Lord Commissioner to intercede for their Pardon.