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Edenburgh, January 19.

THE Convention of Estates sits daily, and have agreed that the Moneys that are to be raised in this Kingdom, shall be charged by way of Poll. A large Vessell of 400 Tuns laden with Masts, has been lately cast away about *St. Andrews*, and all her men lost, the ship is supposed to be Dutch.

Dublin, January 19. A *Bilboa* Vessel bound for *Ostend* has been by extremity of weather, and the late Easterly Winds forced into this Channel, mistaking this and the *Welsh* Coast for that of *England* and *France*, but coming near to *Bray*, discovered their errors, and stood off for a Pilot: and were by a Wherry of this place, brought into this Harbor, where they are repairing in order to their intended Voyage.

Upon News of the *French* preparations, all Officers were ordered to repair to their garrisons and commands, and the Countries in all places put into such a posture, that they fear not any attempts that can be made upon them.

Berwick, January, 20. A Vessel belonging to *Yarmouth* bound for *New-Castle* with empty Casks, about twelve miles to the Northwards of this Town, unfortunately ran a shoare. The men came all of them safe to shoare, and are returning homewards, the Master and his Mate staying behind to recover what they can of her Rigging.

Elfenberg, Jan. 3. We are here told of an Envoye that is upon his way from the New Cham of *Tartary* to the Court of *Denmark* to communicate to his Majesty the news of his assuming the Throne, and Enstating in the Dignity of Cham of the *Crim Tartars*: and 'tis said by him that two other Envoyes are dispatcht on the same business, one of them to the Emperor, the other to the King of *Swedenland*.

The *Danes* seem much weary of the War, their stock of moneys being drawn very low, and their losses having of late been very considerable, however their inclinations are, they are at present obliged to steer according to the motion of their more powerful allies.

Vienna, Jan. 9. This Court continues still in jollity, diverting themselves with all imaginable Recreations, in which the Horse Baller takes exceedingly for its bravery, and the rarity of shows of that nature, yet are they not without apprehensions of the drawing together of the *Turks*, which they fear will not only throw troubles on the Prince *Ragotski*, but if some timely remedy be not applied, may occasion some more general dislemper in the Empire. On the other hand the encreasing preparations of the *French* makes us hasten our Leavies, which are like to be very considerable, for the defence of all parts of the Empire, where any disturbances may be feared. Nor is our care less for settling the affairs of *Hungary*, to make way for the ensuing Diet: the Reformed and Evangelick States of Upper *Hungary*, being it seems resolved not to make their appearance at a New Diet, till their demands which remained unresolved in the last, be first granted to them; but the consultation held with the *Palatine* of *Hungary*, and other *Grandeas*, will soon put an end to those difficulties, and we hope satisfy all parties.

'Tis thought that the *Turks* forces drawn together about the *Fort Fenoua*, and the Island of *Fula*, may probably be employed against the *Tartars*, the *Turks* not finding it convenient to continue things in the present state in which they are, but to endeavor rather to remove the *Tartars* out of those Garrisons, where at present they are mixed with the *Turks*, some little time will more assure us of their intention.

The *Spanish* Ambassador, since his reconciliation with the *Comte* of *Kevenhuller*, is preparing a very magnificent Banquet, with which he intends to entertain the principal Ministers about the Court. His Lady seemed lately highly concerned, that her Chayre was stopp'd by the Guards, from coming into the *Ritterstüb*, sending immediately her complaints to the High Chamberlain, but being enformed both by him, and by a message from the Emperor of the customs of that Court, which permitted not that liberty to the Empress her self, to enter the Antichamber in a Chayre, she was easily satisfied.

The *Venetian* Ambassador has at his Audience, and at other times pressed hard for Assistance against the *Turks*, who has been honourably Entertained and received, but with what success in his Desires, is not yet known.

The Affairs between the Electors of *Palatine* and *Mayence*, are in a fair way of Accommodation, and we suppose no new matter can easily be offered to disturb the Agreement.

Dantzic, Jan. 12. We are assured of the dissolution of the Diet of *Poland*, with much more disorder than it began: nor can the Nobility there be brought to hearken to the Election of a Successor to the Crown, during the life of the present King. No further News of their success against the *Rebell Tartars* and *Cossacks*, that so furiously invaded them; but it has been confidently reported, that they were forced to give ground to a body of *Poles*, who successfully charged them, killing a great number of them, taking many prisoners, and forcing them to quit a considerable quantity of their plundered booty.

Andaluzia Decemb. 30. The great expectations of all these parts are set upon the Negotiations between this Kingdom and our Neighbours of *Portugal*; the slow procedure whereof gives us some reason to fear that affair will not have that peaceable issue which the suffering condition of both Countreys requires. The time of the year which usually keeps all parties from action, has not been idly past away here; since we have lately had some reports, that the *Portugals* had made an attempt upon *Oios* in *Moraleta*, which they had taken and burnt, returning with some considerable booty; and that our General, the *Marquess* of *Caracene*, had drawn his forces together, with the addition of some others drawn out of several Garrisons, with an intention to revenge that exploit, by doing the like to *Cassel Dochon*; which he was pleased to preserve the last year from the like fate, upon the promise of 4000. pieces of Eight, which nevertheless were not paid to him. The preparations for the carrying on of the War proceed vigorously on both sides: It has been likewise said, that *Don John* of *Austria* is designed to be sent by his Majesty to the Emperor, and *Don Francisco Frisiosa* into *Flanders*, to the *Marquess* de *Castel Rodrigo*, to consult with them about several affairs very important to this Kingdom.

From *Tangier* they confirm to us the report of a Defeat given to *Tafalete* by the *Sante*, which if true, may probably occasion great alteration to the affairs of those Countreys, and the concerns of the Garrison, which continues in a good and flourishing condition.

Bruges, Jan. 27. Three of the twelve great ships intended to be let out by the States for the next Summers expedition, are said to be almost perfected. *De Ruyter* continues still at the *Hague*, in frequent consultation with the States, for the carrying on of the War, but they begin generally to grow very jealous of the growth of the *French* power and Trade at Sea.

A *Sonne* of the Prince *Lubomirski* is lately arrived at *Brussels*, his Father finding but little security for his person

in Poland, against the attempts of his Enemies, is forced to seek his safety at greater distance, and is retired to Silesia, where he intends to continue, expecting the event and issue of proceedings, which every day grow higher between the two parties; the Diet being broken up with much dissatisfaction, and little hopes remaining of the future preservation of Peace, unless probably the fear of a Foreign Invasion, of which they are of late too sensible, keep them from renewing their civil Wars.

The ill payment of the Soldiers has of late occasioned several Robberies upon the Highways, especially about Brussels, which are grown very dangerous to Travellers, but upon complaint, several guards are ordered to march up and down the Country, to discover and apprehend those Robbers, and secure all Travellers in passing about their occasions.

'Tis here confidently reported that the Duke of Holstein is treating of a Marriage with a Daughter of Denmark, which is believed will in short time be fully agreed on.

From Amsterdam we are told, that the Pensionary Grotius, a person of much reputation formerly amongst them, is lately laid aside; and that their preparations for the War are carried on with much diligence, but the great difficulty there and in other parts is want of Money, the Debts of the States amounting to a considerable Audit of an hundred and fifty Millions of Dutch Guilders, whose yearly interest being very considerable, begins to be slowly paid, which is believed will in little time occasion great troubles amongst them.

The Count de Donna designed Ambassador from the Crown of Sweden to the States, is upon his way, and is believed ere this arrived at the Hague: their Army is still in the Encrease, as are the fears and jealousies of their Neighbors, especially the Lunenburgers, who stand upon their Guards, and though they have of late dismissed some of their Officers, yet they part with none of their Soldiers.

The Assembly at Hildesheim is at present broken up, but will in short time meet again, wherein may probably be expected the conclusion of some great alliance of much Importance to the Empire.

Rome, Jan. 15. His Holiness having lately advanced Don Sigismundo to the State and Dignity that becomes his Nephew, he has been since Complimented by the French and Venetian Ambassadors, the Duke of Bracciano, Don Mario, and Agostino, with most of the Cardinals and great persons. The Duke de Chaulnes though much disgusted at several disrespectfulities which he apprehended to be thrown upon him, conceals at present his Resentments, paying his Visits and entertaining Conversation as formerly.

His Holiness's Indisposition is not so violent as to hinder him from the care of publick Affairs, and has lately made choice of his new Officers for the Government of this City.

Paris, Jan. 26. His Majesty has lately sent his Letters de Cachette to the Parliament, giving them notice that he had made choice of four and twenty persons of their body, whereof the Presidents au Mortier were to be of the number, with the Deputies of all the Chambers, to examine the new Code Louis, who accordingly met yesterday at the chief Presidents house, and this day at the Chancellours, where they are to continue their Assembly, to pass their Judgments upon all Points, and prepare it for the Council Royal; which Council has for some days past, taken into Debate the business of Admission of Religious persons, several difficulties having risen in that Affair, which has hindered the putting that Order into execution.

'Tis said, that his Majesty intends to create a new Office of Colonel of his Guards, which will be conferred on Monsieur le Duc de Noailles, and to re-establish the Marquess de Chantemer in his Employment of Captain of the Guards, which occasions some persons to believe, that some favour may be intended for the Cardinal De Retts, the Marquess having been much his Favourite.

The Count de Guetza having given satisfaction to such of his Creditors as were most zealous in his prosecution, will in probability be favourably dealt with by the Council des Grands Jours.

The States of Languedoc assembled at Carcassonne, have by order from his Majesty treated the Duke de Vernueil, with the Title of his Highness, and are considering of an Augmentation of their free gift of 120000. Crowns.

His Majesty has lately made some alterations and removals amongst his Officers and Commanders, Monsieur D'Artagnan being preferred to the Command lately left by the Duke de Nevers, in whose room his Majesty has placed the Sieur de la Riviere, formerly Lieutenant Colonel to the Regiment of Monsieur de Grammont. The Sieur Treuille is treating to be Cornet to the Muletters on horse-back, and 'tis said his Majesty has promised him the Command of a Regiment of Horse. The Sieur de Vise is made an Ensigne in the Guards, and the Sieur de Brissac an old Captain, preferred to the same employment in the Guards, in the room of the Sieur de Fabry. Several other changes are also making amongst them. The Governments of Brouage and Oleron lately given up by the Duke of Nevers, are not as yet disposed of.

Monsieur de Marchault Dean of the Council, being lately dead, Monsieur de Haliger succeeds him in that place. The Priory of France being also vacant by the death of the Prior, the Commander Souvray is preferred to that impoiment.

Pennennis, Jan. 21. On Thursday last arrived here the Forrester Captain Country Commander, with two Dutch Prizes, which he took in their return from Bourdeaux, one of them called the White Fortune of Amsterdam, of 200 Tuns laden with Wine, and Prunes, the other the Island Walker of Blusping of 180 Tuns with Wine, Brandy, &c. one of them carrying six or eight guns, made some opposition, till her Main-mast falling by the board, forced her to yield. They came into Harbor in a storm, when the men being fully employed to secure their Vessels, the Skippers took their opportunity to make their escapes, and 'tis said are gone towards Plymouth.

Tarmouth, Jan. 23. A Vessel coming from London laden with Welsh Coales, ran lately a ground upon the Bernard, an Enemies Galliot Hoy in the mean time appearing, but had not the confidence to adventure on her: This morning Tyde the Vessel happily got off again, and arrived safe in the Harbor: The Capr since gave chase to a Whisky Vessel, but was not able to come up with her.

Deale, Jan. 24. The last night came to this place a Privateer called the Bifrons, bringing in with him a prize laden with Salt, taken near the Coasts of France.

Rye, Jan. 22. This Morning was brought in here by a Privateer, David Heburn Commander, a Prize, being a Pink of 80 Tuns, laden with French Wines.

If any person have found any Books or Writings belonging to Arthur Trevor, Esq; deceased, or to John Trevor, Esq; (lost in the removal in the late dreadful Fire) Let them give notice thereof to Mr. Leake at the Crown in Fleet-street where they shall receive the full value of the Books, and be well rewarded for the Writings.

The Vice-Chancellor and Heads of Houses of the University of Cambridge have agreed, That the Scholars may now return to their Respective Colledges; and that those who are to Commence Bachelors of Arts, shall begin their sitting in the Publick Schools the Fourth of February next.

We are ordered to give notice,

That although the Heralds Office, wherein the Descents and Arms of the Nobility and Gentry of England were formerly preserved, hath been burnt by the late dreadful Fire in London; yet the Books and Records therein kept, were happily saved, and are now placed by the Kings Especial Appointment, in those Rooms near Westminster-Hall, called the Queens Court, at the lower end of the Court of Requests, where all Persons that are concerned in matters of Honour, Arms, or Descents, may repair, and receive due satisfaction and free themselves from the Practices and Abuses of such Painter-Samers, who calling themselves Herald-Painters, do take upon them to direct the Marshalling of Funerals, give out Coats of Arms, and make Pedigrees, that are of no Credit or Authority.