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Lime, Decemb. 16.

**T**his week arrived a Ship of this place from *Offend* in company of a *Flemish* Vessel of fourteen Guns, who convoy'd twixt forty and fifty sail of Ships from that place to several Ports in *France* and *Flanders*.

*Warsaw*, Dec. 3. The *Moscovite* Ambassador being dispatcht from this Court, Nov. 19th, went hence the next day, He seem'd to be displeas'd that His Majesty had not releas'd their Prisoners, as they had ours; though it is believ'd the chief reason that induc'd them to release our Prisoners, especially the 700 at *Kiom*, was not so much out of kindness, as a want of Provision to maintain them: however his Majesty has commanded that all their Prisoners should be releas'd and sent to *Smolensko*, whither the Grand *Czar* has sent those *Poles* that were taken, being a convenient place for exchange. The Ambassador by his deportment made shew, as if the Grand *Czar* had an inclination to Peace, but he was lookt upon here rather to come as a Spy, to give an account how affairs went here, and that was the reason he had so quick a dispatch.

They write from *Ukraine*, that the Rebellion continues still there, notwithstanding that *Opara*, *Drosdenko*, and some other of the chief Rebels are executed, here being some yet left which head them, and do much mischief to his Majesties Subjects there. These Rebels have taken the City *Berezniika* by storm, whither a great number of our Nobility fled for refuge, who are for the most part killed there.

*Dantzick*, Dec. 2. The late differences in *Poland* tend sensibly to our advantage, for since the King's Forces have made themselves absolute Masters of *Thorne*, they daily draw nearer and nearer to this place, which design looks as carried on by the French interest; For *Pusky* is already required of us, with pretence of an intended satisfaction; which, if we consent to, we unavoidably enslave our selves under the French Yoke; and if we refuse, we can expect nothing but Force, which has been already attempted by the *Poles*, though with loss. The chief Commanders in *Prussia* too are all French, which increaseth our jealousy, and puts us upon maintaining our Guards by our own Burgers.

*Hamburgh*, Oct. 9. Monsieur *Habeus*, Ambassador from the Crown of *Sweden*, has been with the Duke of *Newburgh*, but his business remains yet private. The Bishop of *Munster's* Forces increase daily by the supply of new Levies, and several Volunteers, and if it prove true, as we hear, that they keep themselves in an entire body, we must judge them to be upon some considerable designe. Count *Waldeck* the chief Commander of the *Lunenburgh* Forces lyes yet in the Countries about *Osnauburg*, without offering any act of Hostility.

*Weitzick*, Dec. 2. The Treaty concerning the differences betwixt the Electors of *Mentz* and *Saxony*, is as good as concluded. The particulars therin. First, That the City of *Erford* with all the Villages thereunto belonging shall continue Hereditary to the Elector of *Mentz*, and the Duke of *Saxony* renounce all pretences of Right and Protectorship to them, in lieu whereof he shall be gratified with a sum of money. Secondly, The house of *Saxony* shall hold in possession seven Lordships, which the Elector of *Mentz* made pretension to. Thirdly, All pretensions of 200 years standing or more, shall be void. Fourthly, That the Religion shall remain unmolested according to the *Ausburg* Confession. Fifthly, That the two Electors shall enter into Alliance Offensive and Defensive.

*Wesfel*, Dec. 23. Some Designs have been laid against *Boeckholt*, but the Enemies early intelligence has rendred them fruitless. Last Sunday march'd from hence four Regiments of Foot, under *Ittersum*, *Nieuwant*, *Hoenderbeck*,

and *Koets*, with 6 Troops of Horse, who 'tis said, are to joyne with Prince *Maurice*; and the French to meet the *Lunenburgh* Forces, who, as some Passengers from *Exemen* report, make a stop about the *Vecht*, in expectation of further Orders; Towards which another supply is drawn out of the Garrisons, and ours have rais'd the Le guer, for finding the besieged so obstinate, we think it best to quit them, and play this new game. In the mean time the Bishop's Forces hath taken away all the provisions where we are to pass, so that we are forced to send for bread, Oates, Hay, &c. for our whole Army.

Four hundred Horse went out of *Deventer*, under the command of one *Winnewood*, who are totally routed by the Bishop's Forces, and *Winnewood* himself wounded and taken; with several of *Amsterdam*, who were Volunteers with him.

*Groningen*, Dec. 22. Our Leaguer is broke up, and the whole Army marching toward the Bishop of *Munsters* Country, intending directly, as is said, into *Westphalia*. The Bishop has drawn his Forces in a Body, and it is expected, that, to stop our March, he will bid us battail.

*Hague*, Dec. 24. There has not one day past, in which the afternoon hath not been spent, in conferences with the *Danish* Ministers, and all, as far as we can see, without the least effect; for *Hannibal Sehested*, their Ambassador Extraordinary, went hence Yesterday, taking his way through *Brabant*, to go for *England*. The Treaty with *Brandenburgh* is come to nothing yet neither, though it is given out to the people that it is upon the very point of conclusion. 'Tis said an Envoye is arriv'd from Duke *Augustus* of *Brumswick Wolfenbutel*, whose business, though not yet known, is buzz'd about, as what they know will please the people, to be to endeavour a mediation betwixt the Bishop of *Munster* and the States General. The States of *Holland* and *Westfrizland* will assemble again the 12th of next month, and on the third of the same the Lieutenants and Ensignes places will be disposed, as well of those Regiments that go to Sea, as those that stay at Land. The other day, and yesterday, the chief Officers took their Oathes before the Council of States.

*Paris*, Dec. 26. The Jesuits de la *Mission* de *St. Louis* of this place, sending cunningly for le *Pere le Clerc*, their Procureur General to *Rome*, caus'd him to be seiz'd in the way at *Orleans*, thereby to oblige him to bring in an account for 500000 *Lievers*; which he received to pay the debts of their Collidge, and has as yet paid only the Arrears.

The King has constituted in every Jurisdiction and *Balywick*, two Sergeants at Armes, who are to wear Blew Coates, with Commission to prosecute and sentence Duellists.

The Marquess of *Sauze*, the *Portugal* Minister, is still here, and will dispatch the business of his Masters Marriage with *Madamoiselle D'Anmale* (as is thought) within few dayes, and then 'tis said, that he will goe for *England* to use his endeavors for the making a peace betwixt *England* and *Holland*, and in his return conduct his Masters Consort for *Portugal*.

*Copenhagen*, Dec. 2. Here was an Accident which hath staggered all the Philosophers in these Parts; and is look'd upon little less than a Miracle. The Sea in one night forsook this Town, so much, that the greatest Ships did lie all dry in the Harbor, and the next morning the Waters were higher then ever they were known before, they never using to rise or fall above two or three foot in this Sea, and all this when there was no wind stirring, that might contribute any thing to such an effect.

*Cleve*, Dec. 22. The Emperor's Envoy is return'd from the Bishop of *Munster*, but what is the issue of his Errand, is yet private. The Bishop hath drawn most of his Troops into the considerable Towns of his Country, keeping onely Two thousand Horse in a Body, so disposing them, that at present they