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Falmouth, March 3.

THe 28 past, came in here Captain *Correll*, in a private man of War, bringing in with him a pretended *Ostender*, called the *Young King of Spain*, being a Vessel of 150 Tuns from *Bruges*, bound for *Bordeaux*, but having aboard her a quantity of Lead, with other Counterband Goods, 'tis believed, upon examination she may prove Prize.

Here is also put in the *Anne of Ostend* from *Nantes*, her lading Wines and Salt: they much apprehend the stop of all Flemish Vessels in the French Ports, from whence she hardly escaped, the reports being generally spread in those parts, of a suddain breach with *Spain*. The *St. Michael* also of *Ostend*, is arrived here from *Bourgneuf* with the same lading, reporting that there is a great press, both in that place, and at *Nantes*, where a Seaman refusing Service, was immediately executed.

Pendennis, March 4. On Friday morning last the *Greenwich*, Captain *Digby* Commander, came into this Port, bringing in with him a Prize of about 60 Tuns, called the *Fortune of Amsterdam*, laden with Wines, Brandy, and Prunes from *Nantes*, and bound for *Amsterdam*; the *Fregat* is again put out to Sea, with some other company, to cruise upon the Enemies Coast.

Malaga, Feb. 15. Our latest Letters from *Algier* inform us, that their Men of War have not of late met with any considerable adventures in their cruising, only one *Ostender*, a *Pink* having fallen into their hands, which they brought in there, and sunk a *Spaniard* off the *Cape Sancta Maria*, that was returning from the *West-Indies*, laden with Tobacco and other Merchandises of those Countreys, to a considerable value, saving only five of her Men. They confirm to us the taking of a lusty *Holland* ship, by one of their men of War, who returning homeward with his Prize, and towing her after him into *Algier* in the night, they fatally struck upon a rock, and went both of them to the bottom.

From *Tangier* they inform us of her thriving condition of that Garrison, and the success of their Vessels, which in their cruising have lighted upon several Prizes. Some few days since their *Sayria* returned home with three Vessels, one of them conceived to be worth near 40000 pieces of Eight, having, likewise near *Thoulon*, forced on shore a French *Sayria*; and worsted a Spanish Vessel that came in to her rescue. Another of their Vessels, called the *Loyal Henry* took at Anchor in the Bay of *Gibraltar*, a French Ship of 100 Tuns, having in her, besides other considerable lading, nineteen Guns, with which they intend to fit out another Privateer for the use of that Garrison.

They tell us likewise, that Capt. *Wells* formerly Commander of the *Loyal Henry*, going aboard in his Boat, with his Master and nine other persons, were unfortunately cast away, and is much lamented by that Garrison, in which he had given frequent proofs of his civility, prudence, and valour.

Warsaw, Feb. 5. Upon the late Incursions of the *Tartars*, complaints from this Crown have been made to the *Cham*, and satisfaction required for those hostilities which have been acted contrary to the agreements between both Nations, upon which, he excuses the late proceedings, upon several provocations, which he pretends have been given them by the *Polanders*, by plundering and burning divers Villages within his Dominions; though 'tis believed the arrears of Moneys that were formerly wont to be paid, but principally the neglect of a timely, but expected Ceremony

of complementing him upon his establishment, as *Cham* of *Tartary*, induced him to this Rupture. We are here impatiently expecting the success of our several Ministers, dispatched to the Courts of our neighboring Countreys, without whose assistance this poor Kingdom will, in all probability, be reduced to great streights and much hazard.

The *Sieur Radziemsky* is also suddenly expected here from *Dantzick*, in order to his designed Embassy to the *Ottoman* Court, which is intended to be performed with all the splendor and magnificence that may be, near a thousand persons being designed to make up his Train, and amongst them, many considerable persons of the highest Bloud in *Poland*; carrying with him a Present of a more than ordinary value, intending to omit no Arts that may honourably be used for diverting the War threatened us on that side.

His Majesty is upon his return for this place, and for the security of *Kamienek*, has ordered Colonel *Fesin* with four Regiments of Foot, in all about 2000 Men, to march into that Town, which with the Garrison and Townsmen will be able to defend the place against any attempts of the Enemy, being excellently fortified both by Nature and Art.

Elfenour, Feb. 19. The King and Prince have for several days diverted themselves at *Helsingburg*, and other places, and are since gone to *Fredericksberg*, and from thence intend to return for *Copenhagen*.

The sharpness of the winter has covered these Seas with Ice, which in great quantities has been driven in from the Eastwards, and with such force, that it ran two Ships astoar much damaged, which lye frozen in before *Helsingburg*, and will in all probability make these Seas unpassable; at the least for this moneth: However, Vice-Admiral *Adelaer* has received Orders to have all things in readiness to put to Sea by the beginning of *April*, where he is to command the *Holland* Ships that are in those Seas, and six of the biggest Ships belonging to this Kings Fleet, and with them to sail for the *Low-Countreys*, to joyn with the *Dutch* Fleet; leaving behind him a Fleet judged sufficient for the defence of the sound.

Zurich Feb. 19. The Duke of *Savoye*, in prosecution of his pretensions upon *Geneva*, has drawn his Forces together, and 'tis confidently given out, that the *French* intend their assistance, for the reduction of that City to a compliance; which if true, may probably engage the *Swissers* into action.

Our last Letters from *Germany*, confirm to us, that his Highness the Elector of *Mayence* has lately discovered a design, laid by the Duke of *Saxony*, for the surprisal of *Erford*, having corrupted the Governor thereof by large promises of reward; but upon timely information; the Governor was upon a private pretence, drawn out of the Town, and by his Highnesses Order taken and secured.

The differences between this Elector and his Highness the Elector *Palatine*, are so far determined, that Monsieur *Courrin*, Extraordinary Ambassador from *France*; with the Extraordinary Envoy from the Crown of *Sweden*, have signed the Sentence of Arbitration, which they afterwards sent to the Plenipotentiaries of the Confederates on both Parties: Monsieur *Courrin* engaging likewise for the King of *France*; his Masters Confirmation of the Sentence, Since when, some reports are blown abroad, that all parties not being satisfied with the Sentence, the whole business is like to fall under a new dispute, which may involve those Countreys in fresh calamities. The truth whereof we must expect hereafter

hereafter, no Paquets arriving this week from any of those parts.

Venice, Feb. 26. The Senate sits close, and are employing themselves with all the prudence and diligence imaginable, for the defence of their territories, against the more than usual preparations of the *Turks*. The Convoy under the Command of his Excellency *Morosini*, we suppose, by this are near arrived where they were intended, having been met some time since near *Istria*, sailing with a very fair wind, and will be in few weeks followed by another Squadron, that are fitting up for that service, and are to take in considerable quantities of Provisions and Ammunition for the supply of the Fleet, which with our Admiral, continue still at *Paros*, where the Gallies and Galleasses are refitting and furnishing, with all things necessary, and will in few days part hence for *Candia*. Our two great Vessels that have been for some weeks upon the Stocks, will, in less time than was expected, be fit to be launched, they are much larger than any ships that have been hitherto built in these parts, and we doubt not, but in the service in which they are to be employed, they will fully answer our expectations.

The Prime Visier is returned to *Danea*, where 'tis believed he will continue some time, as in a place of greatest security for him, during the Infection of the Plague, which rages violently in his Camp. Their Admiral *Bassa* is retired to the *Dardanello's*, with the greatest part of their Fleet, leaving only ten of his nimble Gallies at *Napoli de Matussia*, to attend upon those Forces that are designed to be sent into *Candia*, and four others at *Nigropont*, to wait their opportunities of supplying them with Provisions, which our Squadrons, by their constantly plying upon these Seas endeavour to prevent. The great want of Rowers, that the *Turks* are sensible of, they hope will be supplied from the *Tartars*, whom they have ordered to send all the Slaves they take in their Incursions, into their service, to be employed aboard their Gallies.

Paris, March 9. Our Martial preparations are still advancing, and Monsieur de *Louvois* ordered to give an account to his Majesty of the number of what Soldiers are already under pay, of whom we find, that at the least 3000 have within these two months deserted the service. His Majesty has given Command for the making of 12000 Belts, against the 25 of this month.

Several Commissioners are nominated to visit the principal Towns and Forts upon the Frontiers, and to take an account of the Artillery and other Provisions for the War, with power to turn several Officers out of their places, whom they shall find incapable of well executing the Charges they have undertaken.

Monsieur *Colbert* is lately arrived here, where he has taken some pains about the regulation of the Taxes; and had some Conference with sixteen of the most principal persons interested in this affair, whom he has acquainted with his Majesties design to take up four Millions upon that security, for which sum they shall have interest paid them for four years.

Some few days since, Monsieur *Colbert* went to the Parliament, where he made a motion in behalf of the *Sieur Simonet*; that they would please by their Order to prohibit his Creditors from any further rigorous proceeding against him; assuring them, that he was not broken and bankrupted, as was too generally believed, but onely retired for a while, to take order about his affairs of concernment.

On Sunday last the Prince of *Conde* was brought from *Chautilly* to this City, in a Litter, in a weak condition. About a fortnight hence his Majesty intends to be at *Versailles*, where he intends to make his Carrousal in the same Splendor and Order, as formerly in the Carnival. The *Chateau de Vincennes* is ordered to be prepared for his Reception, where he intends to entertain himself the next Spring.

The Count de *Duras*, Lieutenant-General of his Majesties Armies, formerly professing the Reformed Religion, hath made his formal Abjuration at *St. Germain*, and 'tis

said, is to be made Captain of his Majesties Guards, in the room of the Count de *Charoff*.

'Tis here discoursed, that the Swisse Canton of *Berne*; bordering upon *Geneva*, has sent 2000 Men to assist that City against the Duke of *Savoy*, whose Forces have past the Mountains, and expect the conjunction of 6000 men, ordered thither, under the command of Monsieur *Pradell*; but the foundation of this report is much suspected.

Here is lately arrived from his Majesty of *Poland*, Monsieur *Morsain* Great Referendary of that Kingdom, earnestly pressing his Majesty for his assistance against their powerful enemies, the *Turks*, *Tartars*, and *Cossacks*; what success he is like to have upon his desire, is not yet known, though much doubted.

The publication of the *Code Louis*, with a Declaration for the reformation of abuses in the Courts of Justice, is with some impatience expected, and 'tis believed will be accordingly finished before *Easter*.

Portsmouth, March 7. The Captain of the Fire-ship was according to his Sentence, shot to death aboard his own Vessel, where he died with much penitency and courage; his Body was yesterday brought thence into this Town to be interred.

Alborough, March 7. On Tuesday in the afternoon, passed by to the Southwards, a Fleet of laden Colliers of 150 sail, with the *Pearl*, and two other Fregats their Conroy; since which the wind hath blown hard at North-east, but we hope they will arrive safely.

Whitehal, March 8. This day His Majesty by the advice of his Privy Council, ordered his Proclamation to be issued out for the discovery and apprehension of *George Duke of Buckingham*: Importing, that forasmuch as it appears to His Majesty, that the said Duke, who was of His Majesties Privy Council, and otherwise employed in great Trust, relating to His Majesties Person and the Publick; and not onely bound by common Duty and Allegiance, but farther obliged by especial and extraordinary ties of Gratitude and Fidelity to the Crown; hath notwithstanding held and maintained secret correspondencies by Letters and other Transactions, tending to raise mutinies in some of His Majesties Forces, and stir up sedition amongst his People, and other traiterous designs and practices; and whereas for prevention of the mischievous Consequences, that might thereupon ensue, especially as the present state of affairs now are; and intending the matter might be examined, and the said Duke be brought to answer what should be objected against him, His Majesty gave order to one of His Serjeants at Arms, to use all diligence to apprehend him: in execution of which Command, His Majesties Minister was ill treated, and contemptuously resisted, not without the knowledge of the said Duke himself; as His Majesty hath just cause to believe, and he (as conscious of his Demerits) secretly escaped, and hath withdrawn himself, and doth hide and obscure in places unknown. His Majesty therefore by His Proclamation, doth enjoyn and command the said Duke with all speed, after the Publication thereof, to render himself to one of His Majesties Secretaries of State, or his Lieutenant of the Tower; straitly charging and commanding all Justices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bayliffs, Constables, and other Officers and Subjects whatsoever, to be diligent, and use their best endeavours to search for, and apprehend the said Duke, and safely to convey him to one of His Majesties Secretaries of State, or His Lieutenant of the Tower; further declaring, That if any person or persons, after the publication thereof, shall directly or indirectly conceal or harbor the said Duke, or shall not use their best endeavours, for his discovery and apprehension, they shall be proceeded against with all severity.

We are ordered to give Notice,

That His Majesties Exchequer, in pursuit of the payment of the Loans, upon the late Act for 1250000 *l.* are now paying the 136 Order in Number, and so are proceeding to the ensuing Numbers, as they stand Registered in court: according to the Act, so fast as the Tax comes in.