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Stockholm, Dec. 6.

WE are told that the King, after an absence of three or four years, is coming hither, but that he means to make no long stay, intending to consummate his Marriage at *Helmsladt*.

There is a design to restore the alienated Crown-Lands, but it will meet with great difficulty; for all the Nobility is concerned (there being few or none that have not received considerable Donations from the Crown) to oppose it. The last week Dyed *Gastavus Soap* a Senator. The number of the Senate is at present but 26 which not many years since was 40.

Hamburg, Jan. 5. The Bishop of *Osnabrug* succeeds his Brother the Duke of *Hanover*, by Verue of an agreement between them, in all his Territories. The Dutchies of *Bremen* and *Verdun* will be now suddenly restored to the Suedes, who as well as the French, are raising men in these parts. They take into their Service all the Officers which the Elector of *Brandenburg* disbands.

Strasburg, Jan. 1. The French have already executed several places in *Brisgow*, who are wanting in the payment of the Contributions by them required, and will do the like by the rest if speedy satisfaction be not given them, but the poor Country is altogether unable to comply with their excessive demands. The French have likewise set the Country of *Wirtemberg* under Contribution. There has been a meeting of the Protestant Cantons at *Arau*, and among other things they resolved to send Deputies to the French Ambassador Monsieur de *Gravelle*, who resides at *Solorburne*, to let him know, That they were very much concerned at what had lately happened at *Geneva*, and that they were afraid lest the King, being not rightly informed, might repeat the same, and therefore to pray the said Ambassador to represent their request to the Court of *France*, that things might be fairly examined, and that his Majesty would in the mean time continue his favour to the said City; to which Monsieur de *Gravelle* answered, That he believed his Majesty would not approve of the proceedings of his Resident at *Geneva*, on this occasion.

Cologne, Jan. 9. It is said that the French will evacuate *Wesel* on the 25th of this Month, and that in the mean time they demand 270000 Crowns of the Country of *Cleves*. The States of this Diocess are still assembled, but have not as yet consented to the Monies our Elector demands for the raising and maintaining several Troops he thinks necessary for their common security.

Amsterdam, Jan. 11. From *Argiers* we have an account, That those Pirates had taken a Dutch Merchant Ship of 20 Guns, called the *Erf-Stradbouder*, as likewise the *St. John Baptist*, and two others, and had brought them to *Argiers*.

Amsterdam, Jan. 12. From the *Hague* we have an Account, That the States have received Letters

from their Ambassadors at *Paris*, advising, That being sent for by Monsieur *Colbert*, and going to him, he had put them in mind of the many Obligations this State had to the King his Master, and of the particular evidence he gave them of his Affection, in offering them a Peace, in the midst of his Conquests, upon the Terms he did. That he had expected Overtures for them of a nearer Alliance; and, they being wanting therein, had himself, about two or three Months ago, made an Offer of the same, his Ambassador at the *Hague*; That it had been Debated in the Assembly of the States of *Holland*, and that the said States had Adjourned themselves, without coming to any Resolution therein: That the King was much surpris'd, to find them make so small account of an Alliance, which they themselves had sought for in 1660, by an Extraordinary Ambassador, now it was Offered them. That this Alliance propos'd, was onely Defensive, which the States could receive no Prejudice by, but much Advantage. That his Majesty understood, that the King of *England* did oppose the same, while he pretended to make Himself an Alliance with them; and that his Majesty would have great cause to be dissatisfied with the States, if they should refuse the Overtures by him made, to Close with those of the King of *England*. Concluding, That if the States did delay their coming to a Resolution herein, his Majesty would take it for a Refusal. That however, his Majesty would keep the Peace with them, but would look upon them as a State, that did not desire to live in good Amity with him; and would not favour their Commerce, as he would otherwise do.

Hague, Jan. 12. On Wednesday the States of *Holland* met again. The matter of the Alliance propos'd by the French Ambassador has been the great Subject of their Debate. It has been prosecuted by that Ambassador with all the earnestness and Art imaginable, his Excellency not having let a day pass without seeing the Pensioner and the Principal Persons in this Government, to whom he represented how highly his Master would Relent a Refusal from them. At the same time Mr. *Sidney* has not been less Active to shew the States the ill Consequences of their entering into this Alliance with *France*, and the Resentment His Majesty would have of it, which hath had that effect, as that we have great ground to believe the States will reject the said Alliance; Though Mr. d' *Avaux* has given in another Memorial to the States, much more pressing than the last was, but they know too well the Interest the King of *England* has in their Preservation, to be frightened. Of which we may be able to inform you farther in few days.

Swansey, Jan. 1. On Sunday last a Vessel called the *Phoenix* of *London*, bound for *Amsterdam* with Lemons and Oranges, from *St. Remo*, was cast away within 14 Miles of this Port. The men were all saved, who tell us, that between Cape *Spartel*

Spartel and *Cape Fenestre* they saw 6 Turks Men of War who had a Prize with them. They add that they were in *Tangier Road* on the first of the last Month, and sailed from thence again on the third. That then 30000 Moors lay encamped not far from the Town, That Vice-Admiral *Herbert*, who was in the Road with 3 or 4 Frigats, had sent a Body of men ashore to the assistance of the Garrison, which had had several advantageous skirmishes with the Moors. But it's probable that in the report of these Seamen there may be a mistake as to the time, and that they speak of what happened in *November*, which the Publick has already had an account of.

Portsmouth, Jan. 4. The *Woolwich* and *Bristol* Frigats, with the Merchant Ships under their Command, are still detained here by the Westerly winds.

Edenburgh, Dec. 28. The ships, which had on Board them such of the Rebels taken at *Bothwell Bridge* as were ordered to be transported to the Plantations, set sail from *Leith Road* some weeks since.

Edenburgh, Dec. 30. This day their Royal Highnesses, attended by the Nobility and Gentry, were very splendidly entertained by this City, in the great Parliament-Hall. At the Entry into the Court they were received by the Lord Provost and the rest of the Magistrates in their Formalities, and conducted into an Apartment adjoining to the Hall, where the Lord Provost having complimented his Royall Highness, presented him with his Freedom of this City, in a very rich Box of Gold, to which another containing the City Seal was affixed, with three Gold Chains. Then his Lordship conducted their Royal Highnesses to the Hall, at the South end whereof was Erected a Theatre of 42 foot in length, and 40 in breadth; covered with Carpets and rising 5 steps from the ground; on which stood a large Table enclosed with rails, covered with rich Tapestry, where sat their Royal Highnesses, under a Canopy of State, and all the Ladies of Quality. On each side of the Hall was a Table of 60 Foot in length, and 7 in breadth, filled with the Nobility, the Judges, and Gentlemen of Quality. At the North end of the Hall was erected another Theatre of the same Dimensions as the former, where was a Table for the Lord Provost and the Magistrates. The Gates, Doors, and Passages both without and within the Hall were Guarded by some of the principal Citizens, bearing Partizans, while others had the care of the Tables. During the first Service, the Nobility and Magistrates waited upon their Royal Highnesses, and then retired to their respective Tables. About the middle of Dinner the Lord Provost began the Kings Health to his Royal Highness, who immediately stood up uncovered (as did all the Nobility and Gentry) and having pledged it, it went round with great acclamations, seconded with the noise of the great Guns from the Castle. Then were Drank the Queens Health, the Dukes, the Dutchesse, and that of all the Royal Family, the Guns from the Castle being discharged at every Health; the Musick playing, and the Trumpets, and the Kettledrums sounding all the while. After which his Royal Highness was pleased to begin a Health to the Prosperity of the good Town, which went cheerfully round. Their Royal Highnesses Retinue and Servants, according to their several Qualities, were entertained in distinct Rooms, several of the Towns

Council being appointed to have the care thereof. The whole was performed with great Order and Magnificence. After Dinner their Royal Highnesses and the Nobility retired into an adjoining Apartment, where their Royal Highnesses were pleased to express their great satisfaction, and to return their hearty thanks to the Lord Provost and Magistrates in very obliging Terms, and so returned to the Palace.

Whitehall, Jan 6. His Majesty has been graciously pleased to grant a general Pardon unto Mr. *Robert Boldron* of *Shippon*, and Mr. *Laurence Moubrey* of *Leeds*, in *Tork Shire*, who some time since discovered the Treasonable Designs and Practices which *Sir Thomas Gascoigne* and others are accused to have carried on against His Majesties life.

Whitehall, Jan. 7. His Majesty was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood upon *Edward Deering* Esq; younger Son of *Sir Edward Deering* Knight and Baronet Deceased, in consideration of several Services rendered both before and since His Majesties happy Restauration.

Whitehall, Jan. 7. Mr. *Gadbury* having sent to Acquaint the Lords (appointed a Committee for Examinations) that he had some Matters of Moment to Discover to them; their Lordships sent for him this Morning. But, he saying, That he did not expect to be sent for so soon, and desiring farther time to Recollect himself, he was ordered to put what he had to say, with all speed into Writing.

Upon the Information of Mr. *Boldron*, That one Mr. *William Bankes* had Solicited him, with Offers of Money, to withdraw his Evidence against one *Swing*, a supposed Priest, now in *Newgate*, the said *Bankes* was taken into the Custody of a Messenger, and was this Afternoon Examined before His Majesty in Council, and Ordered to give in good Security for his Appearing to Answer to such Informations, as should be brought against him in the Kings-Bench by the Attorney-General.

This Afternoon were read at Council the Instructions to the Justices of the Peace in the several Counties for the putting in execution the Orders that have been made by the Board, for the executing the Laws against the Papists. And the same were approved, and ordered to be sent to the several Counties accordingly.

Advertisements.

Whereas divers persons, do, in contempt of His Majesties Letters Patents, insert the Countries with Lotteries and Games resembling Lotteries (notwithstanding several former Advertisements) some by pretended Authority, others by former Deputations now out of Date, some by counterfeit Deputations; others, under colour of Shows, privately exercising Lotteries; and some (as is informed) by Connivance of inferior Officers, to the great Damage, if not Ruine of several truly Loyal Indigent Officers, to whom His Majesty, for their Sufferings and Services, hath granted all Lotteries for the Term of Thirteen years, with Prohibition to all others: It is therefore earnestly desired that all Mayor, Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Bayliffs, Constables, &c. would carefully inspect all Deputations, and effectually suppress all such Persons as shall Erect or Exercise any Lotteries, or Games resembling Lotteries, other than such as are or shall be Deputed under the hands of some of the Commissioners thereto appointed, and their Seal of Office, with this Inscription *MELIORA DESIGNAVI*. And whereas information is given, That several persons do Exercise a Lottery called the Angel or Fortune Lottery; and another called the New-Invented Figure-board Lottery, the Civil Magistrate is particularly desired, to suppress the same they being a Counterfeit of the *Royal Oak Lottery*, and not at all allowed by Authority.