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Whitehal, Jan. 18.

This day was published His Majesties Royal Proclamation for Dissolving this present Parliament, and Declaring the speedy Calling of a New One.

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WHereas this present Parliament which was Summoned to begin at Westminster the Seventeenth day of October, 1679, and by several Prorogations continued to the One and twentieth day of October last, was lately Prorogued until Thursday the Twentieth day of this instant January, The Kings most Excellent Majesty being resolved to Meet His People, and to have their Advice in frequent Parliaments, hath thought fit to Dissolve this present Parliament, And doth by this His Royal Proclamation Dissolve the same accordingly. And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens and Burgeses of this present Parliament are hereby Discharged from their Meeting on the said Twentieth of this Instant January.

And His Majesty is Graciously pleased to make known to all His Loving Subjects, that He hath given directions to the Lord Chancellor of England, for the issuing out of Writs in due Form of Law, for the Calling of a New Parliament, which shall Begin and be Holden at Oxford, on the One and twentieth day of March next, 1680.

Given at our Court at Whitehal, the Eighteenth day of January, in the Two and thirtieth year of our Reign.

Genova, Jan 8. Not any Ships have arrived here this week; and only three French Vessels have Sailed from hence, one for Lisbon laden with Paper, Rice and fine goods, and the other two for the Riviera to lade Oyl. Some disorders have lately happened on the borders of Montserrat between the Subjects of the Duke of Mantua, and of this State, and we are told that some thousands of the Country people are, in Arms; the first news of it was brought hither the fifth Instant at midnight, and the Senate the next morning ordered 300 Horse to march thither; and farther ordered 100 Horse to march to Novi; We have not yet any account of what has been done, but it's not doubted but things will be soon quieted.

Lintz, Jan. 4. A great many Commissions are preparing for the making of new Levies, though it's said they will not be given out till the latter end of this Month. The Emperors journey to Ratisbonne is spoken of at Court, as a thing not very unlikely, though at the same time we are assured that the Emperor will hasten to Vienna, to be so much nearer Hungary, a General Dyet of which Kingdom is to meet in March, as they tell us, in case the Affairs of that Kingdom are in such a posture, as that there

may be ground to hope that that assembly will be able to finish that great work that is in hand for the restoring a lasting Peace and tranquility to that Kingdom.

Lintz, Jan. 6. Two days since arrived here the Marquis of Seppeville, Envoye Extraordinary from the French King: he has not yet had his Audience, nor seen any of the Ministers. We cannot yet tell you what progress is made in the Affairs of the Hungarians; all that we know is, That the Bishop of Sebestini, makes it his whole business; that he is frequently with the Emperor, and with the Chief Ministers, and that every body says, that there is a good prospect of things being brought to a happy issue. There is a report, that the Emperor will go this Spring to Ratisbonne; and that several Princes of the Empire will likewise repair thither, and that some very important Resolutions will be there taken.

Berlin, Jan. 9. Our Elector has put out a Placetz, whereby he forbids the raising of any men for the service of any Prince or State whatsoever, within his Territories, and that under very severe penalties, the reason of which his Electoral Highness declares to be that he intends to increase the number of his Forces, and therefore would have his Subjects preserved for his own service. It is said for certain that our Elector and the Elector of Saxony are to have a meeting at some place on the frontiers, but that the time is not yet fixed; and the occasion of this Interview we are told, is the present State of the Empire, and the designs that seem to be on foot to disturb its Peace. Here is arrived an Envoye from Moscow, who goes from hence to Vienna and other Courts, to desire the Mediation of these Princes for the composing the differences that are depending between the Czar and the King of Poland.

Strasburg, Jan. 10. On Monday last arrived here the Baron de Monclar with a great many French Officers, who having been treated with great kindness and respect, parted again on Wednesday for the upper Alsace, Monsieur de Monclar intending to go and hasten the Fortifications that are making at Lautersheim. The Bayliffs and other Officers that have been cited to appear before the Chamber at Brisac are most of them gone thither with their Registers and Records, and the rest will follow.

Cologne, Jan. 14. The Letters we receive from Bohemia, tell us, that that Kingdom, as likewise Hungary and Moravia, continue to be very much afflicted with the Plague; and that the Magistrates of Vienna fearing the infection may be brought thither again from those Countiees, some of them had proposed that no person should be permitted entrance into their City, who came from Bohemia, Hungary, or Moravia, although they are furnished with Letters of Health. Much is said of a project that