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Lisborne, Nov. 1.

A Person that came a Passenger upon a French Vessel from *Marseilles*, reports, That they met a Ship of *St. Malo's* off of *Cape de Gas*, bound from *Teneriffa*, one of the *Canary-Islands*, which told them, that the day before they sailed from *Teneriffa*, two English Frigats brought in there three Algerine men of War, one of which was Commanded by that notorious Pirate *Canary*, which we with may prove true.

Madrid, Nov. 20. It is reported from several parts, that some of the English Frigats have taken *Canary*, Admiral of *Argiers*, of which we expect a Confirmation.

Genova, Nov. 16. Yesterday the eight French Gallies under the Command of the Chevalier de *Noailles* returned hither from *Leghorne*, and this Morning sailed again for *Marseilles*. We are expecting here an Envoye from *France*, who it's said, is already arrived at *Turin*; and we are told, that he comes to assure this State, That his Majesty intends to live in a perfect Friendship with them; and that he has Orders to Treat with the Senate concerning the pretensions of the Counts de *Fiesque*. The Prince of *Monaco* is now here, and the Duke of *Mantoua* is suddenly expected.

Strasbourg, Nov. 26. The 20th Instant the French Ambassadors intimated to those of the Emperor, that they desired the next day to confer with them, and left it to them to name the place; the Imperial Ambassadors answered they designed next Morning to be at *Mals* at the *Carmelites*, and should be glad to meet them there. They met accordingly, and after the first Compliments, the French Declared, That the King their Master desired nothing more than to live in a most sincere and perfect Friendship with the Emperor and the Empire; That it was not His Majesties fault the Conferences began not three Months sooner; his Ambassadors having long expected the Imperial Ministers. That during that time the state of things was very much altered; That notwithstanding the King was willing the Conferences should be gone on with; provided he might be left in the quiet enjoyment of the Lands and Places he was at present possessed of, which would be the means of establishing a firm and lasting Peace between his Majesty, the Emperor, and the Empire. The next day the Imperial Ambassadors imparted to the Ministers of the Elector and other Princes, the Propositions the French had made to them, which they appeared much surprized at, and desired it in Writing; To which the French agreed.

Strasbourg, Nov. 19. We have Letters from *Metz* which say, that Monsieur de *Buffy* arrived there the 16 Instant, and that he brought Orders with him, for the marching of the Horie in those parts to *Thionville*, as also for the drawing a Body of Foot together; many are of opinion that the French have an

eye upon the City of *Cologne*. The Magistrates of *Worms* have written to the Elector Palatine, their Protector, to acquaint him, That they have received Advice, that they shall be very suddenly obliged to receive a French Garrison, and to know of his Electoral Highness, how they are to behave themselves in that case. The Count de *Homburg* has sold his Castle of *Homburg* to the French, for 6000 Pistols, and they have demolished it.

Cologne, Dec. 2. The Deputies of the City of *Liege* have not as yet been able to obtain an Audience of his Electoral Highness, but their desire of having Commissioners appointed to Treat with them is granted; the Bishop of *Strasbourg* we hear, is to be the chief of the Commission. From *Ratisbonne* we have an Account, That on the 22 past the Colledge of Princes made choice, with the Emperors approbation, of Count *Waldeck*, to be Marechal de Camp-General of the Army of the Empire, and that it was believed the Count of *Nassau Sarbrucke* would have the Command of Major-General of the Foot. From *Francfort* they Write, that nothing of moment had passed, since the Proposition that had been made by the French Ambassadors to those of the Emperor, concerning the Emperor and the Empire's renouncing all Right and Title to the Lands and Places which the French King is now possessed of; to which the said Ambassadors Demand a speedy and positive Answer, and will not have any more Conferences till they receive it. In the mean time the Imperial Ambassadors are expecting Orders from *Vienna* how to proceed.

Hague, Decemb. 5. There has been much discourse within these two or three days of a Conspiracy that has been discovered here, whereof the true Account we have of it is, That some persons, of which the chief was a French Player, having formed a design to seize a French Gentleman, the Count de *St. Pol* (who some time since retired into these Countreys) and to carry him for *France*; they provided a small Vessel, and several armed Men, which it's said were Soldiers of the Garrison of *Ipre*, and sent a false Message to the Count de *St. Pol*, that the Prince of *Orange* desired to speak with him at *Soubst-dyke*, with intention to seize him in his way thither; but the design by some accident or other miscarrying, the Principals that were concerned in it, fled, and eight or nine of the others were taken, and committed to Prison, where they now are; and have confessed the thing as is above related.

Paris, Decemb. 10. There is a discourse as if the King would very suddenly take another journey towards *Germany*, but what ground there is for it, time must shew.

Yesterday the King, accompanied with the Dauphin, and the Duke of *Breghons* came hither, and was at the *Louvre*, and other places. Orders are sent to *Thoulon* to fit out eight men of War with all the diligence possible, to be employed against the Algerines; and in the Spring the King intends to have

have a very considerable Squadron at Sea to make War upon those Pyrats.

Whitehal, Dec. 2. An humble Address was some time since presented to His Majesty by Sir *John Buckworth*, Deputy-Governor of the *Turkey-Company*, from the Clothiers of *Worcester*; which His Majesty was pleased to receive with his wonted Goodness, and with Expressions of his Gracious Remembrance of the Loyalty of that City.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Master, Wardens and Assistants and Commonalty of the Corporation of Clothiers, of Your Majesties Loyal City of Worcester.

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That being highly sensible of the wonderful hand of providence which in the year of our Lord One thousand six hundred fifty and one, which so miraculously preserved Your Sacred Person at this Place, from the Power and Malice of Your Enemies; and retaining fresh in our Memories, the calamities that the late Civil Wars did introduce, and bring upon us, in the miserable effects thereof to all Your Majesties Loyal Subjects, as the Burnings, Plunder, and Devastation in this City can abundantly testify; all which were totally extinguished by Your Majesties most happy Restauration; by which, and whose happy Reign we have enjoyed the Blessings of Peace and Unity, the free Exercise of the Protestant Religion, by Law established, the Protection of our Selves from Arbitrary Power, and the free Current of the Law; and in a more particular manner, That Your Majesty was graciously pleased to give Your Royal Assent to a late Act for the better support of this ancient Staple Trade of the Kingdom in this Corporation, and the Countenance Your Majesty hath given to the *Turkey-Company*, whereby Your Addressors are greatly encouraged, which may well require of us a continued Thankfulness to the Almighty, who is King of Kings; and to Your Majesty, whom He hath been pleased to make the happy Instrument of conveying of all the Blessings unto us; the consideration of which, and more especially of Your Majesties most Gracious Declaration, so happily published to the satisfaction of Your Subjects; by which Your Majesty out of Your Paternal care over us, hath assured us, of the continuance of this Your happy Government in Church and State; which is enough by Gods Blessing, to make this Nation flourish, and all Your People happy; as in Justice it obligeth us, so with all sincerity of Loyalty, we do in all Humility return Your Majesty, not only the Thankfulness of our Hearts, but the Obedience of our Lives; and hope we shall so faithfully discharge our Duty herein, as that Your Majesty shall never have cause to distrust us in the same; and do assure Your Majesty we shall still be ready with our Lives and Fortunes, to Assist and Defend Your Sacred Person, the legal Succession of the Crown, the preservation of our Religion, as by Law established, the suppression of Popery and Fanaticism, and the preservation of our just Rights and Privileges; In the doing whereof, we doubt not of the continuance of Gods Blessing upon us and all Your good Subjects, the true and hearty Lovers of the English Monarchy and Hierarchy; all which we humbly Assent under our Common seal, and by Subscribing our Names in our Common Hall, faithfully promising to live and dye

Your Majesties, most Faithful, Loyal,
And Obedient Subjects,

Whitehal, Nov. 20. This day an humble Address from the Burrough of *Stafford* was Presented to His Majesty, by *Sampson Byrch*, Esq; the Mayor, Mr. *John Taylor*, Mr. *Edward Byrd*, Town-Clerk, and Mr. *Walter Higgs*; His Majesty received it very Graciously, and was pleased to tell them how satisfied he was with the testimony of their Loyal Affections to him and the established Government.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common-Council, Inhabitants, and Burgesses of the Burrough of *Stafford*, agreed upon at the *Guild-Hall* there, the 24th day of *October*, in the Three and thirtieth year of Your Majesties Reign, Anno Dom. 1681.

May it please Your most Sacred Majesty,

WE Your Majesties most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, duly considering the Power of Calling and Dissolving Parliaments, is a Branch of Your Royal Prerogative; do with most Obedient and cheerful Thanks, acknowledge your late Gracious Declaration of the Reasons for the Dissolving the two last Parliaments; whereby the Minds of your Majesties Subjects are, or may be quieted, which lay under amazements, by the frequency of false and seditious News and Pamphlets; And we are by the same Declaration, firmly satisfied of your Majesties Pious and unalterable Resolutions to defend and maintain the true Protestant Religion, as now by Law established, against all Popish, Arbitrary, and Illegal Innovations; That we shall be secured by your Majesties Princely Conduct of Affairs, from the dire Effects of a Civil War, and that we shall not want encouragement to oppose and suppress all illegal and Schismatical proceedings, under pretence of Religion, or any bold appearances to diminish your most Sacred Majesty's Person or Regality; For all which your Majesties most Gracious assurances, we do with all Loyalty and Duty, offer and engage our Selves and what we have, as sincere Pledges of our readiness and reality to stand for, and stand by your Majesty, in defence of the true Protestant Religion, your Sacred Person, Prerogative, and established Government, and your lawful Heirs and Successors; all which we value above our Lives, Liberties, and Properties (to which we were happily restored by your Majesties miraculous Restauration) well knowing, that none of all these can be secure, if your Majesty or Monarchy ever suffer violation; To which we humbly add the Subscription of our Names, and the Seal of the said Burrough.

Plymouth, Dec. 1. The 28th past came in here his Majesties Ship the *Pearl*, Captain *Williams* Commander, from Cruising.

Whereas in a Pamphlet lately Printed, Entituled, A Second Part of no. Protestant Plot & There is mention made of one *Sir James Hayes*, who is represented under a most infamous Character. It is thought fit for the vindicating the Honour and Reputation of *Sir James Hayes, Kt.* who was formerly Secretary to His Highness *Prince Rupert*, and Married the *Lady Viscountess of Falkland*, to give Notice, That he is not the Person thereby intended.

Advertisements.

The Proceedings at the Sessions-House in the Old-Baily, London, on Thursday the 24th day of November, 1681. before His Majesties Commissioners of Oyer and Tenner, upon the Bill of Indictment for High Treason against *Anthony Earl of Shaftsbury*. Published by His Majesties special Command. Sold by *Samuel Mearne* and *John Baker*.

Lost the third of this Instant December, between *Kings-street* and the *Old Palace-yard, Westminster*, a Silver Watch going with a Chain, a studded Case, made by *Thomas Sofflaw*, with two Keys, and a Gold Seal with two Coats tyed to it with a Pink colour Satin Ribbon. Whoever will bring the said Watch, or notice thereof, to the *Buffe-head Tavern, Westminster*, shall have a Guinea reward.

Lost on Friday the second Instant, at or nigh the *Cross-Keys Inn* in *Grace-Church Street*, a small Portmanteau, therein was 20 l. in Money, put in a sheet of Brown Paper, and three Pocket Books of Account, and a Letter Case in a Money-Bag containing several Bills and Bonds, and in a Paper divers other Bills and Bonds tyed up, all payable to Mr. *John Street* of *St. Dunstons Church* in the *East*, and also a little parcel of Point Lace, with other trivial things, and divers other Writings. Whosoever shall discover the same, so that they may be restored to the said Mr. *John Street*, or to Mr. *William Billham* of *London*, Merchant, nigh St. Dunstons Church in the *East*, shall have Ten pounds reward.

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