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Falmouth, Jan. 10.

T Here were lately found about *Penzance*, two Balls of Shewmake, and some tackling, which are ghueft to be parts of a wreck of a Ship come from *Lisbon*.
Dover, Jan. 11. Yesterday a ship bound from *Holland* to *France*, was brought in hither; in which are some Silks, &c. Last night Monsieur *de Maes*, late Agent for the French Merchants and Traders, set sail in a Shallop for *Newport*.

Paris, Jan. 16. The Deputies of the Clergy are very urgent with the King to disannul the Decree of the *Chambre des Grandes Fours* against the Prelates of *Auvergne*, and to that purpose have proposed two ways how His Majesty may do it; but it is not yet found that the King will hearken to either of them.

The Dutch are much troubled to see *de Ruyter* and *de Wit* draw two ways; the former would have the sole command of the Naval Forces as Admiral; the other would have always Commissioners to oversee the Fleet, who should have votes in the Council of War, and represent the Body of the States General. Were the Fleet in a readines, this heat might break into a flame, but in the Posture it stands, there is time enough to cool; for the scarcity of provisions, and want of money, hath been so great among them, that it is said, some of the great *Hogens* have been forced already to melt down their Plate to raise money for the Soldiers.

The Chevalier *de Clermont* passing over *Pont*, about 9 or 10 a clock, met with Monsieur *de la Feuille* in his Coach, whom he provoked to draw his Sword; and after two or three passes, and a wound received in his body, was parted. The Count *de la Feuille* went to the Court to report to His Majesty what had pass, presenting him the broken Sword, which he had taken from the Chevalier *Clermont*, with an account of the provocation received; with which it is said, the King rested well satisfied, and acquitted him of that part he had in it. The Count *de Clermont* absents himself upon the matter.

The King makes frequent visits to the Queen Mother, expressing great sorrow for her indisposition; which every day increases much upon her.

Hague, Jan. 12. The people are not at all satisfied with Prince *Maurice's* managery of the War, who with 18000 men hath done nothing considerable. The Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel, and Major of the Sea-Regiments, are each to command a Man of War. Those whom the States have employed to treat with *Denmark* and *Brandenburgh*, finde themselves much mistaken, and that now they thought the Treaty as good as concluded, we are told it is as far off as ever. The ill carriage of their Statesmen have given the Ministers occasion to deliver their opinions in the Pulpit, which relishes so ill, that one is secured for it at *Delft*, and the rest are muzzled by a *Placet*; that they shall not open about States matter for the future.

Brussels, Jan. 12. The report of this Town is, that the Prince of *Munster's* Troops have given a very considerable defeat to the Dutch about *Groningen*, having intercepted a considerable Convoy under the Guard of 4 or 500 Men, which was designed for *Coevorden*, by which that place is likely to be much streightned; but in regard no Letters are yet come from *Munster*, little credit is given to it. The Prince wants neither strength nor courage, and his supplies are so considerable, as to put him in a capacity to resist the force the States can make against him.

Hague, Jan. 15. The noise of the Duke of *Brumswicks* Mediation is stopt with the *Lunenburgs* forces march; and the discourse runs now of the Duke of *Newburghs* levies, and the Elector of *Mentz* being in readines, as is said, to assist the Bishop of *Munster*. *Van Gsch*, and Monsieur *Cunens*,

are safely arrived; and yet Mr. *Oudart*, Mr. *Gringim*, and Mr. *Corney*, are still kept prisoners.

Cleve, Decemb. 31. There is to be a meeting betwixt the Bishop of *Colen*, this Elector, and that of *Mentz*, the Duke of *Newburgh*, and the Bishop of *Munster*, concerning the affairs of the Circuit of *Westphalia*, which it is thought may give some jealousy to *France*. Monsieur *de Moulins*, the French Envoy, hath neither complemented the Imperial nor English Ministers, who are observed to hold a good understanding with each other; and by that, some will adventure to give a ghueft at the Friendship of their Masters, Monsieur *de Moulins* errand, it seems, is little more then bringing a Letter, and the main business is left to Monsieur *de Esirades* who is suddenly expected here, though some conceive the French might have found out a person more acceptable to the Elector, by reason of a dispute between his Highness and *de Esirades*, about giving the right hand in his own house; concerning which, it is said, there pass some words betwixt *de Moulins*, and the Baron *Saxerin*.

Paris, Jan. 16. The Duke of *Chaulnes* hath spent some time in the preparation for his Embassy for *Rome*, and yet now it begins to be a question, Whether he shall be employed upon that Negotiation, in regard here are some strange apprehensions of his Holiness, who, it seems, hath permitted some part of the Pyramid erected against the *Corfes*, to be broken down, without calling the Actors in it to an account. The Ambassador from *Venice* is to make his entrance to morrow into *Paris*. The Court talks here of a Peace between *Spain* and *Portugal*, but the people are ill at ease in expectation of what will be the issue betwixt us and *England*, as that which doth much more concern their Commerce.

Vienna, Jan. 6. The French Envoy, Monsieur *Gramonville* hath instructions to own himself by whatever Title the King of *England*, or the King of *Spain's* Minister, shall appear in that Court.

Count *Peter Serini* hath, by an Express, given notice to the Court, That the Bassa of *Canissa* is repairing an old Castle beyond the Turkish Borders, with an intent to garison it, and force the Countrey to Contribution; upon which, his Imperial Majesty ordered him to put a stop to it, and directed the Count *Montecuculi*, Governor of *Raab*, to give notice to the Vizier at *Offens*, to issue forth his Orders to the said Bassa to desist from that undertaking, and take care that no encroachments be made upon any of the Emperors Territories. The contest betwixt Count *Peter Serini*, and the Relict of Count *Nicholas*, is happily reconciled by the Commissioners the Emperor appointed for that purpose, to the satisfaction of both parties; he shewing himself very handsomly to that occasion, in a free and voluntary surrender of such places as were conceived of right to belong to her, or her son, as the Heir of his Brother. The Emperors Exchequer is now very buisie, in paying off the Ransom for the Dukedoms of *Ratibor* and *Oppelen*.

Rome, Jan. 6. This whole Court is very much pleased at the Election of the Cardinal *d'Arragon*, for the Government of *Naples*, whom they conceive a very fit person for his parts, that justly qualifie him for that employment, and as one that will be a good friend, having hitherto kept a very strict correspondency with them. His Holiness hath been observed to take a very particular satisfaction in his Conferences with him, spending more time then is usual upon the like occasions, and making particular enquiry of the health and hopes of the young King of *Spain*. The time of his departure hence, is not fixed, in regard he hath not yet performed all the solemnities for his late deceased Master; nor is it thought he will move hence, till another Ambassador come