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Genoa, December 30.

This week arrived here the *Hannibal* bound for the Coast of Spain and Lisbonne. We have advice that the Centurion Frigate, Captain Wren Commander, hath been obliged by contrary Winds to put into Messina, being ordered for Tunis and Tripoli. The *Crown*, the *Free Stone*, the *Mary*, and the *Hawke* are still in this Port, but will sail with the first fair weather. It's said great preparations are making at Thouton; And here they are providing for their defence, but without are not without hopes of an accommodation.

Milan, January 2. Our Governour the Count de Melgar returned hither the last week from Genoa. He had during his stay there several Conferences with the Chief Men of that Government, and gave them, it's said, great assurances of assistance. Since his return his Excellency has been present at a review of the Regiment of Swislers lately raised by Colonel Beroldingen, which at the same time received a months Pay. The last Letters from Spain told us, that the Catholick King had given out Commissions for the raising two Regiments of Foot for the service of this Country. The Prince of Savoy, who served the last Campaign in Hungary, passed lately through this place in his journey to Turin.

Venice, January 6. On Thursday last was launched a new Ship built in this Arsenal, which is called the *St. Nicholas*, and will carry above 70 Guns. The new Gallies will be finished the next month; And several Vessels are Building to carry Mortars. We have advice by a Vessel arrived from the Levant, that the Grand Visier had sent a Chiaus to Argiers, Tunis and Tripoli, with Orders to those Governments to fit out a certain number of Ships to joyn the Grand Signior's Fleet in the Spring. The Turkes make great preparations for the next Campaign, and are drawing their Forces from the remotest parts of that Empire to serve in the present War. The Letters from Dalmatia tell us, that the Provéditor-General Valier was very ill of a Fever; And that the Prince of Palma was preparing to return hither. That the Turkes had made an Incurision into the Country about Zara with 2000 Horse, and had plundered and burnt several Villages. And that the Enemy had drawn some Troops together to make an attempt to recover the Forts of Marina, which was lately taken by the Forces of the Republick, but that the Provéditor-General Valier having notice of it, had sent thither a good supply of Men and Provisions before the Turkes were in a condition to execute their design, which they had thereupon quitted.

Vienna, January 14. The Count de Hobenloe has declared to the Imperial Ministers, That the States of Franconia do desire that the Troops they lend to the Emperor's assistance may take their march through Bobemia, and that Commissaries may be appointed to make the necessary provision for them in their march. The Count of Wallastain returned hither the 12th Instant from his Embasie in Poland. The Ambassador of Venice has received a Commission from the Senate to raise here a Regiment of Dragoons. General Rabia, who is gone for Hungary, has orders to make some alteration in the Winter-quarters, several of the Troops complaining very much of those they are now in. All the Officers that are here are commanded to repair immediately to their Commands. We have an account from Gran that 400 Imperial Horse have made an Excursion as far as Buda and have cut in pieces and taken prisoners above 200 Turkes, and released a great many Christians. We cannot yet learn what is the Errand of the Armenian that arrived here the last week; but in the mean time there is much discourse of a Peace or a Truce.

Raisbonne, January 11. The Imperial Commissioners do very much press the Dyet to assist the Emperor, and have intimated to the Deputies that his Imperial Majesty desires they will do it in Money, having already treated with several Princes of the Empire for their Troops, which will together make a great Army; But the States of the Empire seem to be more willing to send a Body of Men; But they have not as yet taken any resolution in it. On Tuesday last the Count de Crecy, Plenipotentiary of France gave in a Memorial to the Dyet, wherein he declares that the Commissioners the King his Master has appointed to meet and settle with those of the Emperor and the Empire in pursuance of the late Treaty of Truce, the Limits between the Empire and the Crown of France, have no other orders than to execute the said Treaty of Truce; And that his Most Christian Majesty will not send them in case the Imperial Ministers do pretend to treat of any other matters which have not yet been spoken of, or have been already determined, or are contrary to the Truce. They write from Vienna that the Court will remove from thence because of the great scarcity of all sorts of Provisions. The Troops in Hungary suffer very much, and are extremely weakened, Those of Suabia which were reckoned to be 4000 men when they past by this place the last Summer, are, it's said, reduced to 7 or 800 men; and the Company of this City to about 20 men, the Captain whereof died of sickness, and the Lieutenant was killed before Buda. The Ice has broken down one of the Bridges at Vienna; and nine persons that happened to be then upon it were drowned.

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