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Vienna, January 7.

YOU have already been informed of the Emperors having on the 19th of the last Month Invested the Duke of *Hanouer* with the Electoral Dignity, but the Publick not having yet had any Particulars of that Ceremony, it may perhaps be a Satisfaction to such as are Curious in these Matters, to have some further Account of it.

There was prepared in one of the largest Rooms of the Emperors Apartment, a Throne of Cloth of Gold, and at a little distance from it, on the Left Hand, a Table covered with Crimfon Velvet, on which lay a Cushion of the same, and upon that the Electoral Bonnet. About Noon the Baron *de Groot*, and the Baron *de Limbach*, the Duke of *Hanouers* Ministers and Plenipotentiaries for this Function, repaired to Court with a Numerous and Splendid Attendance, and having passed through the Great Hall where the Emperors Guards made a Lane for them, they were received at the Door of the Room designed for this Ceremony by His Imperial Majesties great Chamberlain. In the mean time the Emperor came in Attended by the Nobility and his Principal Ministers, and being Seated on the Throne, the two Plenipotentiaries advanced towards it, with three profound Reverences; The Baron *de Groot* made a Speech proper to the occasion, and was Answered in the Name of the Emperor by the Count *de Wallestein*, who declared to them that His Imperial Majesty had in consideration of the many Great and Eminent Services which the House of *Lunenburg*, and the Duke of *Hanouer* in particular, had rendred the Empire, resolved to confer upon him the Electoral Dignity: After which the two Plenipotentiaries came nearer to the Throne, and kneeling on the first step of it, they repeated aloud the usual Oath taken by the Electors, which was Pronounced by the Count of *Wallestein*, lay-

ing both their Hands upon the Holy Evangelists. This being done, the Emperor took the Imperial Sword, which was carried Naked by the Prince of *Schwurzenburg*, Marschal of the Court, and presented it to the two Plenipotentiaries, who Kissed the Pummel of it, and then returned to their first place, where Kneeling again, the Baron *de Limbach* made a Speech of Thanks to the Emperor; after which the Count *de Wallestein*, by His Imperial Majesties Command, took the Electoral Bonnet and presented it on the Cushion to the Baron *de Groot*, who received it with great marks of Respect; and then the two Plenipotentiaries returned with the same Ceremonies with which they came.

Kinsale, Decemb. 30. On the 26th we had Advice from *Kerry*, That a French Privateer was driven ashore and Staved in the Bay of *Ballinskellix*; she had 30 Guns and 180 Men, of whom 50 were drowned. Yesterday came in the *Deptford* and *Portsmouth* Frigats from *Baltimore* with the *Mary of London*, bound home from *China*, and three other Merchant Ships under their Convoy; They came to an Anchor, but it blowing very hard in the Night, the *Mary* was driven ashore: They are now Unlading her, but the Goods are very much Damified. The rest of the Ships in the Harbor Rid it out very well.

Newcastle, January 17. Yesterday Arrived here about 20 Sail of Merchant Men under Convoy of a Dutch Man of War from *Rotterdam*. The Laden Fleet of Colliers, with their Convoy the *Sweepstakes* and the *Smirna-Merchant*, are detained here by contrary Winds.

Yarmouth, January 20. Yesterday came into our Road from the Southward, the *Sun-Prize*, and *Warrington*, two of Their Majesties Ships of War; the first is bound to the Northward, and the other to Convoy several Merchant Ships to *Holland*. This day came into our Road about 100 Sail of Laden Colliers, under the Convoy of