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Bristol, Octob. 10.

THe *Amity* of this place lately returned from *Mevis* informs us, that there lately happened a great Earthquake in the *Caribees*, which they fear may be a fore-runner to an Hurricano.

A coaster of *Tinby* is reported to be lately cast away in this Channel, with 11 Passengers. The *Edgar*, a man of War lately built here, lies well manned and equipped in *Kings-road* expecting a fair wind. Several ships lye also ready for *Spain* and *France*, and others for the *Barbadoes* and *Virginia*.

A ship lately arriving from *Malaga* tells us, that a month since, Sir *Thomas Allen* with his Squadron made a days stay in that Road, and then went off for *Argier*, having some time before sent two of his men of War to lye before *Sally*.

Venice, Octob. 6. Letters from *Candia* inform us, that the Turks continue their Siege with much obstinacy, and by their Mines and Galleries have made neer approaches to the Forts of *Sabionera* and *St. Andre*, in both which places they have made considerable breaches, and by frequent Assaults endeavoured to enter, but have been as often bearen off by the Defendants with much slaughter. That on the 29th of August the Enemy fell with much eagerness upon the breach in the *Sabionera*, where they came up, and for some time disputed the Entry with their swords, but they were so lustily oppoed by Segnior *Cutarini Cornaro*, to whose care the defence of the Fort is committed, that they were forced with much loss to give over the attempt.

At the Fort *St. Andre*, a Granado discharged from a Mortar-piece of the Enemy fell into the Powder-room in the Redoubt, which blew up and set fire to a House, which the Turks perceiving, plyed hard their great and small shot, and endeavoured by giving Allarms to several parts of the Town, to hinder the Defendants from quenching it; but the Marquis de *St. Andre Montbrun*, who commanded that Post, had so well prepared against all accidents, that leaving strong Guards to attend the motion of the Enemy, he employed the Townsmen with such diligence about the Fire, that it was in little time extinguished with the loss onely of one man killed by the Enemies shot.

An Express arriving with Letters by the way of *Otranto* tells us, that the Turks make frequent Assaults upon the Town, by which many principal Officers have been killed and hurt, and particularly, Colonel *Proflis*, the Governor *Tadco Motta*, and Colonel *Venturini*, were unfortunately killed with one common shot; and that the besieged had made a stout rally upon the Enemy, falling upon their Works, killing great numbers of the Enemy, and returning with some of their Baggage into the Town, but had lost about 50 men in the service, and amongst others, a Nephew of the Marquis *Villa*, with three other persons of Quality.

Other Letters of the 5th past from *Candia* further tells us, That the Turks had sprung two Mines under the Walls of the Town; after which they made a general assault, but met with so stout an opposition from the Garrison, which consists of about 8000 Men, that they were forced to retire, leaving 1200 of their men dead upon the place; Of the Christians were killed about 60, and amongst them several Officers, of whose loss they are very sensible.

The Senate have dispatch away Seigneur *Tades Morfini*, the new Captain of the Gallies, with 5 Ships which set

sail on Tuesday last with great quantities of Provision of all sorts, and 500 men for the succours of *Candia*, together with large quantities of Medicines sent by the Popes Nuncio. Several Ships are also fitting up for the transportation of the German Forces.

Seigneur *Pietro Valier*, General of the three Islands, informs us of his arrival at *Zante*; from whence he is dispatching away all the Forces he is able to get together, for *Candia*, intending, if need require, in person to follow them with his two Gallies, and that the Proveditor of the Fleet was with seven Gallies at *Standia*, expecting Orders from the Generalissimo.

The Grand Seigneur is in *Morea*, encouraging the transportation of his Souldiers to the assistance of the Visier, threatening to employ the whole force of his Empire for the taking in of *Candia*.

Vienna, Octob. 7. The Bishop of *Strasbourg* has solicited his Imperial Majesty, and obtained leave for the passage of 500 men through the Hereditary Countreys, on their march for the assistance of the Venetians, with whom may be joyned some other Companies from the other Princes of the Empire, intended for the same service.

The Emperours Officers continue the reformation of their Companies according to their Orders. The 3000 Foot which were sent away for the service of the Republick of *Venice*, are far advanced upon their march, and care is taken by their Officers to prevent disorders on the way, and as well as they are able to keep up their numbers, which they have found to be a matter of some difficulty, many of them having deserted the service.

The Muscovite Ambassador, who sometime since passed by this place for *Venice*, is again returned hither, where he expects likewise the arrival of those persons which were by the Czar employed under the same Character into *Spain* and *France*, one of which is order'd to continue here as Ambassador in Ordinary, and has accordingly taken an House in this City.

The Emperour having taken into his consideration the ill consequences which threaten the Empire, by the continuance of the War between his Highness the Elector Palatine, and the Duke of *Lorraine*, has thought of speedily dispatching his Circulatory Letters to the Electors and Princes of the *Rhine*, to enterpose in that affair, and to endeavour a Reconciliation of all differences between them.

The Count *Curiani*, who arrived here some few dayes since from *Naples*, is again returned by Post, with Orders for the Count *Starembergs* Regiment of Germans, which is now in that Kingdom, to be sent with all convenient speed for *Candia*.

The Turkish *Chiaus* has since his arrival, had his first Audience of the Count de *Montecuculi*, President of his Imperial Majesties Council of War, wherein in the name of the Bassa of *Buda*, he made many complaints against the *Hussars* and *Hayduques*, for several Violencies lately committed by them in their incursions upon the Countreys belonging to the Ottoman Empire.

On Wednesday last, the Emperour was pleased to declare the Baron de *Faroockin* to be elected by him to exercise the charge of Chancellour of the Dutchy of *Silesia*.

Dantzick, Octob. 10. From *Warsaw* we are told, that the States of that Kingdom have been somewhat dissatisfied, that his Highness the Elector of *Brandenburg* hath taken possession of the *Starosty* of *Drahelm* upon their Frontiers; but the Sieur *Overbeeke* his Envoy having represented to them, that this place was granted to the Elector his Master, by the