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## A LIST of the Sheriffs appointed by His Majesty for the Year ensuing.

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Cracow, Dec. 2. N. S. The King of Poland has Declared his Resolution of removing the next week to Warsaw; There will be left here a Garrison of Saxon Troops; Those of Poland are now marching to their Winter Quarters; and as many as can be conveniently, will be lodged in the Frontier Provinces, for their security against any suddain Inroad of the Tatars. The Brandenburg Minister, residing at Warsaw, who has contributed very much, by his good Offices, to bring Prince Sapieha and other Persons of Principal Rank over to the King's Interests, has within these few days acquainted this Court, that the Bishop of Plosko, and the Palatine of Czernicho (who have all along very zealously adhered to the Primate) do now desire his Mediation, to make their Peace with the King, with a promise to employ the Credit they have with the Primate, to dispose him to the like Submission. The Circular Letters will be given out in a short time for summoning a General Dyet, to settle the Affairs of the Kingdom. The King has been present this Week at several Councils, where among other things it was considered, how to provide for the Security of the City of Dantzick, in case the French should make any attempt upon it.

Vienna, Dec. 7. This week arrived here an Express, with Letters from Transylvania, which give an account of the Advices they had received from Turkey, concerning the late Battle at Semp, and what happened afterwards. They say, That on the 11th of September, in the morning, the Grand Visier, who was posted on this side the River Theysse with all the Turkish Infantry and some Horse, received notice that the German Army

were marching towards them; whereupon he sent out 500 Spahis commanded by the Bassa of Romelia, to get Intelligence, but these meeting with a stronger Party of Imperialists, were all cut off or taken Prisoners, except a very small number, who acquainted the Visier, that 6000 Germans were advanced near the Ottoman Camp; Upon this, he immediately gave Orders to send the heavy Baggage and Provisions over the Theysse, intending to follow leisurely with the whole Army, which he believed he had time enough to do; But the News of the approach of the Germans occasioning much confusion in the Camp, a great number of People crowded together to pass the River, notwithstanding the Guards that were placed to prevent it; About three in the afternoon the German Army appeared in sight of the Turks, who presently abandoned their first Intrenchment, and posted themselves so, as best to defend the second; The Imperialists made their Attacks with great fury, and in the space of two hours had forced all the Works, and were entirely Masters of the Turkish Camp; The Soldiers endeavoured to fly over the Bridge, but that broke, and many thousands were drowned, and all that remained on this side cut in pieces; Among the slain were the Grand Visier, Aga of the Janisaries, the Bassa's of *Anatolia*, *Temeswaer*, *Diarbeckir*, and 12 other Bassa's of lesser Note; all their Artillery, consisting of 84 Pieces, were taken with their Baggage and Provisions; And the Turks confest themselves, that they lost between 30 and 40000 men of their best Troops; The news of this Defeat being brought to the Grand Signior, who lay with 12000 men, most Horse, at some distance on the other side of the Theysse, he retired with such haste and precipitation to *Temeswaer*, that though this place be 10 Hugarian Miles from the Theysse, he arrived there the 13th in the morning, having left all his Baggage and Tents behind him; The Grand Signior stayed two days at *Temeswaer*, and went from thence to *Belgraze*, where he arrived the 20th. There he created divers new Officers, *Huffin* Bassa of *Belgrade* was made Grand Visier, and the *Caimacan* of *Constantinople* Aga of the Janisaries; The 28th he came to *Adrianople*, avoiding a publick Entry, and not permitting the *Sultana* his Mother to come and meet him. Some days after he called a great Council, where the whole Blame of the ill Conduct and Disgrace of the last Campaign being laid upon the late Grand Visier, and upon the *Mufti*, the *Efendi* of the *Divan*, and the Bassa's of *Bacylon*, *Jerusalem*, and *Egypt*, these five last mentioned being all present, were immediately seized, and beheaded by the Sultan's Order; Count *Teckelej* was summoned to the same Council, but excused himself from giving his Attendance, by reason of his being very ill of the Gout; Though 'tis made a Question, whether his Absence will save him from the same Misfortune. These Letters add, That the Consternation and Murmurs of the People in *Turkey* are very great; And that 'tis believed the Grand Signior will for this reason continue all the Winter at *Adrianople*.

Paris, Dec. 20. All the Foreign Ministers residing here, have made their Compliments to the King upon the Duke of Burgundy's Marriage. There have been great Rejoycings for the Peace in all Parts of this Kingdom. The King has named the *Marquis de Villars*, Lieutenant General, to go his Ambassador to the Emperor; The Count de *Chamilly*, *Marschal de Camp*, (and Nephew to the *Marquis* of that Name, who is Governor of *Strasbourg*) is to have the same Character to the King of Denmark; *Montieur des Alleurs* is to be Envoy Extraordinary to the Elector of Brandenburg; and Ministers are likewise appointed to reside with the Electors of Cologne and Mentz, the Princes of Brunswick, Bishop of Munster, and other Princes of Germany, as also at *Ratisbonne*. The *Sieur de Coelogen* arrived the 5th of this month with 5 Men of War at *Toulon*, having been near two months in their passage thither from *Brest*; The two other Men of War, of their Company, were separated from them in a Storm off *Cape St. Vincen*.

Brussels, Dec. 18. The French have evacuated *Ath*, *Charleroy*, and *Mons*, and Spanish Garrisons are entered into these places; but before they marched out of *Mons*, which was yesterday, they obliged the Inhabitants to pay a considerable Sum of Money. The Count d'Autel, who is named by the King of Spain to be Governor of *Luxembourg*, stays here, till the French appoint a day for delivering up that place, and then he will march thither with 4 German Regiments, that are in the Service of these Countreys.

Hague, Dec. 24. N. S. The States of Holland are adjourned till the 14th of the next month; 'Tis said *Montieur Heemskerke* is designed to reside as Ordinary Ambassador from this State, at the Court of France. The French Ambassadors, *Montieur Verjus*, and *Montieur Calliere*, intend to depart from D. 15