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Rome, Dec. 22. N. 3.

THE Pope continues on the mending hand, however there being no likelihood that he will be well enough to perform the Ceremony of opening the Gate of St. Peter's Church, he appointed a Congregation of Cardinals to examine former Precedents in like Cases, who having met accordingly, were of opinion, if the Pope could not himself be present at this Solemnity, that Cardinal Cibo, as Dean of the College of Cardinals, was the most proper Person to supply his Place; but he being likewise much indisposed, this Office belongs to the Cardinal de Bouillon as Vice-Dean; Which the Pope has approved of, and the Cardinal de Bouillon is accordingly appointed to open the Jubilee on Christmas Eve. The Duke d'Uceda, Ambassador from Spain, has visited Cardinal Spada, and the other Cardinals of the Palace; And the usual Visits and Compliments have also passed between him and the Imperial and French Ambassadors, and other Publick Ministers; His Excellency intends in few days to go to Gaeta, to confer with the Duke of Medina Celi Vice-Roy of Naples, and has deferred his Entry till after his return from thence. The Cardinals Imperiali and Cantelmi are come hither from Naples. Count Limburg, Ambassador from the Emperor, is daily expected here from Vienna, part of his Servants and Equipage being already arrived. A certain Astrologer in this City is seized, and committed to the Castle of St. Angelo, for having given out that the Pope will die on Christmas Eve. The Bishoprick of Ancona is given to Cardinal d'Asili.

Venice, Jan. 1. We have received Advice from Rome, that the Pope is much better, and that there are greater hopes of his Recovery than have yet been since his Illness. The Cardinal Bouillon did perform the Ceremony of opening the Gate of St. Peter's Church on Christmas Eve. Our last Letters from Dalmatia say, Signior Grimani, Commissioner from this Republick for settling the Limits between the Venetian and Turkish Territories, who is now at Castel Nuovo, had been very ill of a Fever, but was on the mending hand. The Senate has Published several Orders to restrain the Excesses in Feastings, Publick Diversions, and Wearing Apparel, and particularly the great Expences which the Procurators of St. Mark were usually at in making their Entries, and keeping open House upon their Election, and also the great Expences made by young Noblemen upon their Admission into the Great Council. The Advices from Constantinople say, the Ambassador of this Republick was in few days to have his Publick Audience of the Grand Signior, and that 'twas reported the Grand Signior intended to return to Andrinople in the Spring.

Vienna, Dec. 30. The Arch-Duke Charles has the Small-Pox, but is as well as one can be in his condition. The Count of Wells, whom the Emperor has appointed to be his Envoy to the Court of Sweden, has received Orders to hasten his departure: Great Preparations are making here for the Entry of the Turkish Ambassador, who according to our last Letters from Alba Regalis, was come thither from Essik in his Journey to this

Place. Cardinal Santa Croce, Nuncio from the Pope, is taking his Leave of the Persons of Quality at Court, intending shortly to return to Rome. The Bishop of Lerida, Ambassador from Spain, has had Audience of Leave of the Emperor, and will depart from hence in few days in order to return to Madrid.

Berlin, Dec. 28. The Ratifications of the Treaty lately concluded at Warsaw between the Crown of Poland and the Elector of Brandenburg for accommodating the Business of Elbing, will be sent in a day or two to Warsaw to be exchanged with those of Poland. The Elector of Brandenburg has given Directions for Building several new Apartments, and making other Improvements in his Palace in this City, and 'tis said his Electoral Highness intends, while this is doing, to take a Journey to Prussia. The Count of Denhoff, who has resided at the Emperor's Court as the Elector's Envoy Extraordinary, is made Commissary-General of War, and Monsieur Denhoff, his Brother, High Chamberlain. The Sieur Berchem is declared Counsellor of State.

Dresden, Jan. 1. The King of Poland is gone from this Place to pass some days at Torgau. The Ministers, to whom the Care of Military Matters is committed, meet frequently together to consider of providing Quarters and Subsistence for the Saxon Forces in this Electorate; The King intends in a very short time to return to Warsaw.

Hambourgh, Jan. 3. The Danes continue their Preparations for attacking the Duke of Holstein's new-built Forts; Their Artillery is ready, and the Fleet being come which they feared to expect with some impatience, their Forces begun to march towards Rensbourg, where they are to have their General Rendezvous, but the Weather changing suddenly to a Thaw, has obliged them to defer for the present the Prosecution of this Design; The Princes Mediators continue in the mean time to employ their good Offices for accomodating the Humors of Holstein, before things came to a Rupture by the committing of open Hostilities. The Duke of Wirtemberg continues in this City, and is somewhat indisposed. They are raising Soldiers in the Dutchy of Bremen, to reinforce the Swedish Regiments which are Quartered in those Parts, and 'tis said, these Troops are in a readines to march on the first Order they shall receive, being design'd to join the Duke of Holstein's Troops if there be occasion, and that the Duke of Cell will also assist his Highness in case he is attacked by the Danes. Our Letters from Copenhagen say, The King of Denmark has given Directions for firing out a Squadron of Men of War early in the Spring, as also for providing three Magazines in Holstein, one at Altona, another at Itzehoe, and the 3^d at Oldesloe. They write from Stockholm, that the King of Sweden had given Orders for the raising 2 Regiments of Dragoons, and that Major General Ruseboud and Colonel Clappau who are to Command them, were gone for that purpose to Schonen. The Count of Gallestrad, Ambassador from France, made his Publick Entry at Stockholm the 24th of the last Month, and on the 26th had Audience of the King of Sweden.

Hague, Jan. 11. The States of Holland and Westfriesland continue assembled, but will adjourn on the 14th instant. The Envoy of Morocco is daily expected here from Amsterdam, and soon after his return to this place, will take his Audience of Leave of the States General: Our last Letters from Hambourgh say, Monsieur Cranembourg, who is to assist on the part of this State at the Conferences for adjusting the Affair of Holstein, is a rival thereof, and that Monsieur d'Opdam, Envoy from the States General, took his Audience of Leave of the King of Poland at Dresden on the 31st of the last Month, and intended to return towarth Berlin.

Paris, Jan. 13. N. S. The King has declared the Count de Ponchartrain, Son to the Chancellor of this Kingdom, one of his Ministers of State, and has ordered a Pension of 20000 Livres a year to be paid him on this account. The King has also given Pensions to the Marquis de Signelay, and to Mademoiselle de Gevres Daughter to the Duke de Gevres. The Duke of Lorraine has desired the King's Leave that Monsieur Monfart, Surveyor-General of his Buildings, may go to Nancy to view the Ground, and give Directions for a Palace his Highness intends to build there, who has accordingly received Orders to repair thither. The Treaty for settling the Limits between the French and Spanish Territories in the Netherlands, will shortly be published here. The Royal Regiment of Montferrat, vacant by the Death of Monsieur Nata, is given to Monsieur d'Albergotti, Nephew to Count Magalotti Governor of Valenciennes. A Suit at Law which has been depending a considerable time between the Prince of Conde and the Prince of Bergues about the Succession of the Countess of Bossu, was decided yesterday in favour of the former. On the 8th Instant the Dutches of Nemours was ordered to repair to her Country House at Colombieres, in the Province of Brie, about 14 Leagues distant from hence, and to continue there till further Orders; Because she refused to displace the present Governor of Neuf-Chatel, and to put another in his room who is recommended to her by the King, and is in the Prince of Conti's Interest. The Pope, according to our last Advices from Rome, continuing very much indisposed, the French Cardinals that are here have received Directions from Court to repair to Rome with all expedition, and they will accordingly begin their Journey in 5 or 6 days. Cardinal Coassin, who has not been at Rome since his being made a Cardinal, intends to appear there at this time with a very splendid Equipage. Cardinal Delphino, the Pope's Nuncio, intends to return home in few days; 'Tis said, he will not take leave of any body besides the King, to avoid the Disputes in point of Ceremony, which might arise upon his pretending to greater Honours on account of his being a Cardinal then were paid him before. His Excellency the Earl of Manchester, Ambassador from the King of Great-Britain, went yesterday to Versailles, and paid his Visits of Ceremony to the Princess-Dowager of Conti, the Dutches of Bourbon, and the Dutches of Maine. Mr. Stanhope, His Majesty of Great-Britain's late Envoy at the Court of Spain, went from hence the first Instant on his return to England. The Duke of Turf, General of the Genouefe Gallies in the King of Spain's Service, is come hither from Madrid. Monsieur Jordan, Lieutenant-General of the King of Poland's Forces, and his Envoy Extraordinary to this Crown, is arrived here from Dresden. The Count de Briort is come from Turin, where he resided as the King's Ambassador, and he intends in few days to proceed on his Embassy to Holland. The Marquis de Cascais, Ambassador from Portugal, is on his departure for Lisbon. Letters from Strasburg of the 26th past say, the demolishing of the Bridge on the Rhine near Brisac was in great forwardness, and that as soon as the same is finished, the French will deliver up the Town to the Germans.

Deal, Jan. 6. Yesterday sailed from the Downes the Howland, Captain Prower Commander, the Fame, Captain Brown,

and the Tankerville, Captain Newman, bound to the East-India. The Mary, Captain Hills, for the Straights, the Golden Frigate, Captain Jeffreys, for Guinea; and divers other outward bound Merchant Ships and Coasting Vessels, being in all about 40 Sail.

Hampton-Court, Dec. 30. This day His Majesty was graciously pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood upon Andrew Fountaine junior, of Narford in Norfolk, Esq.

Advertisements.

W Hereas an Irish Man, a Fencer, aged about 30, ruddy, peck-tiotten, speaks several Languages; and a young Gentleman about 19 years of age, well-favour'd, fresh-colour'd, with divers Moles on his Cheek, fine brown Hair, each of 'em had brown Riding-Coats with double rows of Buttons; they hired two Horses on the 22d past, the one a bright bay Gelding about 14 hands and half, mealy Mouth'd, a black Lift down the Back, branded with A on the off Hip; the other a brown Gelding 14 hands and half, with 1 or 2 white hind Feet, a little Star in his Forehead; and have not been heard of since. Whoever brings the young Gent. aged about 19, to his Parents, or to Mr. Guy at the Swan Tavern in Cornhill, London, shall have 20 Guineas Reward; or if he will voluntarily return to his Parents, he shall find favour; The Horses are desired to be sent to the same place, and all Charges shall be paid.

The Wife and Ingenious Companion, French and English, being a Collection of the Wit of the Illustrious Persons both Ancient and Modern; containing their wise Sayings, witty Repartees, pleasant Histories, &c. Calculated for the Improvement of Foreigners, being very useful for the one to understand the French, and to other to learn the English Tongue; By Mr. Boyer, Author of the newest and best French Grammar. Written for the Use of his Highness the Duke of Gloucester. Printed for T. Newborough at the Golden-Ball in St. Paul's Church-yard, and J. Nicholson at the King-Arms in Little-Britain.

The Natural History of Lancashire, Cheshire, and the Peak in Darbyshire, composed by Charles Leigh, Doctor of Physick; containing about 130 Sheets in Folio, illustrated with above 120 Figures of Roman Antiquities, the Wonders of the Peak, &c. engraven on Copper Plates; This Work being now completed, and going to the Press, those that design to Subscribe, are desired to send in their Names to John Nicholson at the King's Arms in Little-Britain, London, or the several Book-sellers in the Country appointed to take in Subscriptions, for there will be no more printed than are subscribed for; the Price to Subscribers 20s. in Quires, and the Money paid when the Book is delivered. Proposals to be had at the Places aforesaid.

The Present State of Europe, containing an Historical and Political Account of the Interest, Pretensions, and Transactions of the several Courts for the Month of Dec. 1699. Vol. 9. To be continued Monthly from the Original published at the Hague. Printed for H. Rhodes at the Corner of Bride-lace in Fleetstreet, Eliz. Harris at the Harrow in Little-Britain, and sold by J. Nutt near Stationers-hall.

A Collection of Greek, Latin, and English Books in all Faculties and Volumes, will be Sold by Auction at Tom's Coffee-House adjoining to Ludgate on Tuesday the 9th Instant, and the following days, at 3 afternoon, by John Bullord. Catalogues distributed Gratis at Mr. R. Parker's at the Royal Exchange, Mr. Buck's near the Temple, Mr. Harding's in Newport-Street, Mr. Barnes's in the Pall-mall, Book-sellers, and at the place of Sale.

Lost the 2d Instant out of Mr. Wm. Legatt's Shop at the Fox and Leg in Cheapside, a Day-Book. Whoever brings it to the aforesaid place, shall have 20s. Reward.

Pascho Jane, about 17 years old, thin favoured, pretty tall, ruddy Complexion'd, with lank-brown Hair, went from his Master William Dyer, of Lantlos Parish in Cornwall, about Nov. 1698. supposed to have gone first to the Water-works in Exon, but hath not been heard of since. If he will return to his Master, he shall be kindly received; Or whoever gives notice of him, so as he be produced, shall have 40s. Reward, paid by Mr. Jos. Sherwood of New-Inn, London, or Edw. Deunys, Attorney, at Liskeard in Cornwall.

Stolen out of Mr. Geo. Holcott's house at Pontefract in Yorkshire the first Instant, a Silver Tankard marked large with I. E. and C. a Silver Bottle marked I. A. 2 Silver Tumblers, a greater and a less, the great one marked G. H. the less E. R. 6 Silver Spoons marked E. R. several large Spoons marked E. P. 2 small Spoons, one marked T. C. the other S. C. 2 Sweet-meat Spoons, one marked E. P. the other N. O. 4 Silver Salts marked G. E. H. on the sides, several other Silts marked A. C. a small Knife, Fork and Spoon with Case and Seal; a black and white Half-Silk Mantua, lined with flower'd black Silk; a Silk Mantua striped and flower'd, lined with black spotted Silk; a Calamanka Waistcoat with Plate-Buttons, and other Goods. Whoever secures the Plate or Goods, with the Person or Persons, shall have a good Reward, giving notice to Mr. Mat. Carville at his Chamber in Clements-Inn, London, or to Mr. Holcott aforesaid.

William Iverfon, alias Howell, about 40 years old, short, and very hairy, thin straight light Hair, with a darkish coarse Cloth Coat, a flower'd black Stuff Waistcoat, Leather Breeches, and grey Stockings, stole the 2d Instant out of Thos. Cockman's house at Hendon in Middlesex between 20 and 30 l. in Gold and Silver. Whoever secures the said Iverfon, and gives notice to T. Cockman aforesaid, or to Mrs. Cooper at the King's Arms in Smithfield, London, shall have 3 Guineas Reward.

TH E Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt against Matthias Glefque, late of London, Merchant, intend to meet at Laurence's Coffee-house in Cornhill on Wednesday next, at 3 in the afternoon, to choose Assignees; and that they have made Jos. Tatum of London, Packer, their Treasurer, to whom the Creditors are to pay their Contribution-money before they attend the Commissioners.