

any way Privy to, or Instrumental in the Printing or Dispersing the said Libel, shall Discover the Author or Authors thereof, so that he or they may be brought to Justice, the Person making such Discovery of the said Author or Authors, shall not onely have the said Sum of Two hundred Pounds, as aforesaid; but also Our Gracious Pardon for his said Offence. And We do hereby strictly Charge and Command all Our Loving Subjects, as they will answer the contrary at their Perils, that they do not any ways Conceal, but do their utmost Endeavours to Discover and Apprehend the said David Edwards, and the Author or Authors of the said Libel, to the end they may be proceeded against with the utmost Severity according to Law.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Twentieth Day of December, 1705. In the Fourth Year of Our Reign.

GOD Save the QUEEN.

Florence, Dec. 5. N. S. Letters from Leghorn, which came in yesterday, give an Account, That about 3 days ago an English Merchant-man of 26 Guns, and 70 Men, met in these Seas a French Privateer of 34 Guns and 236 Men, and fought her 5 hours: The English Ship was Boarded several times by the Enemy, but all their Men who entered her were killed except 9, that were taken Prisoners; And the Privateer's Fore-mast being shot down by the Board, she had certainly been taken if another French Privateer of like Force had not come in to her Assistance, with whom the English Merchant-man exchanged three Broad-sides, and then made into the next Port, which was that of Corsica, to refit, having in this Engagement had 5 Men killed and 17 wounded: About 50 of the French were killed, and a great many wounded.

Venice, December 12. Letters from Lonato of the fourth Instant give an Account, That Prince Eugene having Advice that the Enemy were marching towards this Place, he decamped the 28th past from Montechiaro, marched to Lonato, and prevented the Enemy's possessing themselves of that Post, which is of great Importance for the preserving of his Communication with Germany. The French are encamped within a small distance of him. Prince Herculani, the Emperor's Ambassador to this Republick, is lately arrived here from Vienna. Letters from Turin of the 2d Instant say, That Colonel Hamilton was arriv'd there from Barcelona, with Letters from the King of Spain to the Duke of Savoy, giving an Account of his Majesty's Glorious Successes in Catalonia. The Dutchess of Savoy was safely delivered of a Prince the first Instant. They write from Nice of the 26th past, That the Garrison of that Place had made another successful Salley, wherein they ruined the Enemy's Works, and killed a great many of their Men.

Grano, Dec. 5. On the first Instant several Deputies arrived here from the Forces of the Crown, to Compliment the King on his happy Return from Saxony. The Czar will be going from hence in 2 or 3 days towards Moscow.

Vienna, Dec. 12. A Courier arrived here Yesterday, with Letters from the King of Spain to the Emperor, dated at Barcelona the 6th of the last Month, giving an Account, That his Catholick Majesty was then ready to make his publick Entry into that City, and to receive the Homage of the States of Catalonia, that whole Province (the Town of Roses excepted) being reduced to his Obedience. These Letters add, That on the 29th of October the Earl of Peterborow took a Review of the English and Dutch Forces there; and it appeared, that not above 130 of them had been killed during the whole Siege of Barcelona. Count Guido of Staremberg, who commands the Imperial Forces in Piedmont, is arrived here from thence: He has been to wait upon his Imperial Majesty, and was very graciously received.

Frankfort, December 20. Two Imperial Regiments are marched from these Parts towards Bavaria, and Four more are to follow. The Prussian Horse, which are returning from Italy, have Winter-Quarters assigned them in that Electorate; and it is hoped, that the arrival of these Troops will soon put a Stop to the Insurrection in those Parts. They write from Hagenau, That the Enemy's Troops on that side had been in Motion, with intent, as was believed, to endeavour to bring a Supply into Fort Louis, which is in a manner blocked up by our Forces posted in the Neighbourhood of that Place; but upon Advice of the good Dispositions made for the preventing of any such Design, they have thought fit to lay it aside. A great part of their Troops have taken Winter-Quarters in Lorraine, for the better securing of which they are Fortifying the Town of Bisché, which is look'd upon as an Infraction of the Neutrality they had consented the Duke of Lorraine should observe between the several Powers engaged in the present War.

Hague, Dec. 25. N. S. The Duke of Marlborough continues his frequent Conferences with the Deputies of the States General. His Grace intends to embark for England as soon as his Convoy arrives from thence provided the Wind be fair. The States of Holland and Westfalia Adjourned yesterday till after the Holidays. The Letters from France, which came in this day, bring no manner of News. Levies are making every where for the Recruiting of our Troops, the Officers being order'd to have their Regiments compleat by February next.

Corke, Dec 16 Her Majesty's Ship, the Arundel, Caprain Dering Commander, arrived here the 8th Instant, with two Transport-Ships, after a violent Storm, which had dispers'd several other Transport-Ships that were under his Convoy; but they are all since come safe into this Port, and into Kinsale.

Dartmouth, Dec. 18. Two Dutch Men of War, with two Transport-Ships from Barcelona, put into Torbay this morning, having been separated in bad Weather from Admiral Allmonde's Squadron, which is now at Spithead. The Agées of this Place was also forced into Torbay, laden with Salt, from Jersey: The Master of which Ship reports, That the Privateers belonging to that Island have of late taken many French Prizes.

Bristol, Dec 19. This day arriv'd here the Lucretia of Corke, Joseph Richards Master, from Jamaica, but lost from Ireland.

Yarmouth, Dec. 21. Several of the homeward-bound East-County and Hamburgh Fleets, with some of their Convoys, are put back into our Road by contrary Winds and bad Weather.

St. James's, December 20. Her Majesty has received the following Letter from the City of Barcelona.

Sacred and Royal Majesty,
THE City of Barcelona having gained great Advantages, both by the Happy Arrival of our most beloved King and Lord, Charles III (whom GOD preserve) and by their being under his ease and Lawful Dominion; they acknowledge that they owe this their unexpressible good Fortune to the generous Protection of Your Majesty, and the whole English Nation, and to the Assistance of Your great and powerful Fleet, and Your brave and valiant Troops, under the Direction of the Earl of Peterborow, Your General and Commander in Chief, to whose Conduct and Skill in Military Affairs may be attributed these Glorious Progresses, being seconded by the Regularity and good Discipline of Your Troops: (Virtues ever worthy of being eternally fix'd in the

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