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Plymouth, Feb. 1.

Here are lately come in 3 ships from the Southwards, one from the *Barbados*, and one from *St. Malos*; the last telling us that the French are much concerned for the loss of a great Man of War coming out from *Havre de Grace* and designed for the *East Indies*. Several ships are here fitting up to be employed in the Fishing trade to *Newfoundland*.

Dover, Feb. 5. The continuance of cross winds and ill weather, keeps off all Commerce from this Port, except of some few ships which have been forced into this Harbor for shelter. We expect daily the news of some ships wreckt upon the Seas; many pieces of Planks and other materials of broken Vessels having been lately taken up near this place.

Mosco, Dec. 25. The Great Duke being returned hither, and declaring his inclinations to marry, several proposals have been made to him of the greatest beauties within his Dominions, amongst the rest, two onely seem to be favoured by the Great Duke, one of them a Merchants daughter, and in greatest probability of being preferred to his bed.

The Treaty between the Great Duke and Tartars is said to be concluded with some advantage, the Tartars being content to receive 200 thousand Liures tribute for three years, whereas they pretended to an arrear for 13 years; by this Treaty they are also obliged to restore Colonel *Scheremetz*, a General of *Russia* formerly taken prisoner by them, to his liberty; upon the payment of 7000 Rixdollars for his ransome: the Great Duke intends suddenly to dispatch away an Envoy to the Tartars to be present at the ratification of this new Treaty; upon the conclusion of this peace, several prisoners of quality taken by our people are to be also set at liberty.

The late rencounter on the frontiers between a party of our forces and the Tartars has not at all prejudiced this Treaty, especially since it appears that the greatest loss has fallen upon some German Companies.

The Great Duke has of late made an inspection into his Treasuries, and a considerable reformation and retrenchment in his expences in the Army, reforming several Companies both of Natives and Forraigners, and lessening the pay of his Officers, the Old Colonels having for the future an allowance onely of 200 Rubels a year, and the new onely 150.

Vienna, Jan. 17. This Court is at present as much filled with joy at the Emperours recovery, as it was oppressed with sadness and melancholly at his sickness, which seized him the 21. last as he was diverting himself with his Court and Spanish Comedy in Musick, a kind of Opera on the day which was solemnized here for the Emperesses birth-day; it first began with an extraordinary coldness and shivering, and turned into a violent Feaver which held him 10 or 12 days; in which he was thought to be in great danger, and for which amongst other remedies he was five times let blood; and according to the custom in times of greatest extremity, the Sacrament was exposed in all the Churches, and solemn prayers made for his recovery. On the 4th instant he was so well recovered, that Te Deum was sung in the Cathedral, and His Imperial Majesty dispatch away a Courier to the King and Queen of Spain to give them the news and that demonstration of his recovery.

The Emperess *Eleanor* has ordered a List to be given her of above 400 persons who are designed to attend her as her Train in her journey to *Poland*, which List is to be given to be so ther considered of by the President of the Chamber, who is believed will make some retrenchments; amongst other persons designed for that journey, His Imperial Majesty has ordered twelve of the Gentlemen of his Chamber to prepare themselves to attend the Arch-Duchess his Sister, whose departure is said to be deferred till the 4th of *February*; the Emperour intending for all the honour that may be in her journey, and before her departure to entertain her with an excellent Comedy which is preparing for her.

The Envoy from the *Bassa of Offen* was very zealous in his complaints against the *Hussars*, and as importunate in representing to the Emperour several reasons to dissuade him from entering into any new Alliance, principally intending that with *Poland*, which he pretended was inconsistent with the Treaty between the two Empires, which has not a little surprized the Court, and increased their jealousy that the *Turks* have a design to break with us, and are this way endeavouring to raise a quarrel.

The Nobility of *Hungary* are in great apprehensions of them, which has obliged the Deputies of the States of the *Upper Hungary* to renew their addresses to His Imperial Majesty, and to remonstrate the danger they lie under of being over-run by them, especially, considering how much the division amongst the people in point of Religion, may concur to their ruine, unless the Emperour be pleased to send a considerable strength amongst them, which will be the most effectual remedy to prevent the *Turks* from pressing the Countrey to do Homage to the *Osman Court*; which if they should now attempt, that Province would in all probability be obliged either to comply with the *Turks* or to quit their habitations.

Letters of the 7th instant from *Presbourg* tell us, that some few days before, a considerable body of the *Turks* were got about into the *Low Countrey*, where they committed many insourences, and had the confidence to show themselves near the Gates of *Fillek*, but the Sentinel giving the alarm, a party of 200 *Hussars* immediately issued out of the Town, and fell so buskily upon the *Turks* that after a short resistance they beat them off with much disorder and confusion, forcing them to leave behind them the most considerable part of their booty, with about 40 of their number dead upon the place, and many prisoners.

Madrid, Jan. 22. The *Marquis de Lichez* who had prepared himself for his Embassy to the Court of *Portugal*, and had all his Train and Equipage in readiness for his journey, has put a stop to his journey, by the late death of his Lady Daughter to the Duke de *Medina del Rio* whose body three days after her decease was honourably attended in the evening to his Countrey of *Lichez* about 2 Leagues distant from this City, with a Train of above two hundred Gentlemen on horseback, all of them persons of quality and nobly related to the deceased *Marquis*; it is believed the *Marquis* may in single time realize his former resolution of going for *Portugal*, the principal subject of his Embassy relating to the Restauration of the Estates of such persons subjects of *Portugal*, who during the late wars retired themselves into the Spanish Quarters; for whom a particular care and provision was made by the late Treaty of peace, though as yet not put into execution in so full a manner as is desired.

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