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At the Court at St. James's, December 10.

PRESENT,

The Queen's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

SHERIFFS appointed for

Surrey, Walter Kent, Esq;
Derby, Thomas Stubbing, Esq;
Northampton, Lucy Knightly, jun. Esq;

Caire, November 25. N. S. The Congress of the Heads of the three Leagues of the Republick of the Grisons, which was lately assembled here, have written a Letter to Mr. Manning, her Britannick Majesty's Secretary, complaining of several Grievances which they lye under from the Imperial Court, particularly relating to their Commerce with the Circle of Swabia, wherein, as it is alleged, they suffer Hardships, contrary both to the Hereditary Union, and the late Treaty for the Passage of the Troops of the Allies through their Country. The Imperial Envoy, Monsieur de Greuth, had given them hopes of some Redress; but as the Grisons have hitherto found no effect of those Promises, they have applied again to her Britannick Majesty to repeat her Interposition at the Court of Vienna, to procure them Satisfaction in their just Demands. The Affair of Monsieur Maffers's seizing the Grand Prior of France being to be examined and determin'd. by the three Leagues, that Gentleman has wrote a Manifesto, and address'd it to them in vindication of his Proceedings. The Imperial Minister, who has Orders from his Master to espouse and Support Monsieur Maffers's Cause by all Means possible, has presented a Memorial in his Favour, and her Britannick Majesty's Secretary has likewise given in one upon the same Subject, in order to protect a Person who has been very serviceable to the Allies, against the Intrigues and unjust Designs of the Common Enemy.

Vienna, November 29. N. S. Lieutenant-General Palmes, her Britannick Majesty's Envoy-Extraordinary here, having presented a Memorial to the Emperor for a free Importation of the British Woollen Manufactures into the Imperial Hereditary Countries, and for taking off the Restrictions made on Account of the Manufacture at Lintz in Austria; he has obtained a Decree from his Imperial Majesty, that there shall be a free and open Trade for Woollen Stuffs, call'd Crownraches, between the Subjects of Great Britain, and the Inhabitants of Bohemia, and the Territories depending thereon, as the Marquisate of Moravia, and the Dukedom of Silezia; and Mr. Palmes will continue to make further Instances at the Imperial Court, in order to obtain the same freedom of Selling that Commodity in the Country of Austria; in which it is hoped he will succeed, since the Cloths manufactured at Lintz are found to be so bad, that the Merchants of Austria cannot find

vent for them. The Count de Metternich, who was formerly employed by the King of Prussia in the Affair of the Principality of Neuchâtel, is expected here very suddenly from Ratisbon. It is said his chief Business is to represent to this Court his Master's Interests in relation to Quedlinburg, and the Election of the Princeps of Holstein to be Abbeys there. The Princess of Saxe Meinungen, who was a Competitor for that Abby, is said to have withdrawn her Pretensions; and the Princess Dowager of Saxe Mersburg has sent a Gentleman hither, to let this Court know that she intends to set up some Pretensions to be chosen at Quedlinburg; but as the Chapter there hath already made choice of the Princeps of Holstein, and desired the usual Confirmation from the Imperial Court, it is hoped that when some Difficulties are removed, the Emperor will not defer granting it. The Muscovite Minister here is making Instances to have his Czarish Majesty treated upon the foot of Emperor of Russia, with the Title and Ceremonial of Imperial Majesty. Orders have been sent to remove the Grand Prior of France to Inspruck, where he is to remain a Prisoner till some further Resolutions are taken in that Affair. Lieutenant-General Meyerfeldt arrived here the 26th Instant from Stockholm, and has been several times in Conference with the Ministers of this Court. He intends to leave this Place in a few Days, having Dispatches to carry to the King of Sweden at Bender, from the Regency of that Kingdom.

Frankfort, December 7. N. S. The Count de Gronsfeld came hither the 23d of the last Month, and having made a short stay here, he set out for Bruchall, where he is to give some Orders in relation to the Winter Quarters for the Troops of the Empire, and will proceed from thence to Vienna. The Count de la-Tour is made Commander in Chief of the Forces of the Empire during the Absence of that General, and has been to visit the Lines of Etlingen, where he has ordered several Reparations and new Defences to be made, and erected a great Magazine of Provisions. The French have likewise provided a considerable Magazine at Croon-Weyssenburg, and perfected the new Redoubt they have been raising at that Place. The Troops of the Circle of the Upper Rhine are quartered at Landau, and such as are to remain here this Winter arrive daily. They write from Alsace, that that Province will be obliged to supply the French with several thousand Horses, in order to remount their Cavalry against the next Campaign; and that the Tenth Penny on all the Revenues in that Province is levied with much rigour, which gives a general Discontent to the Inhabitants. Our Letters from Ratisbon advise, that the Count de Metternich, his Prussian Majesty's Plenipotentiary at the Diet, had receiv'd Orders from his Master to repair to Vienna, and that the Electoral College, and that of the Princeps had agreed upon the number of Deputies that are to assist in their behalf at the next Treaty for a general Peace. The Diet of the Empire has for some time had the Neutrality of the North, and the