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Deal, Dec. 15.

**H**ere are now in the Downs (besides divers others) 12 sail of Dutch Merchant ships, with Two men of war, their Convoys, bound for Spain: his Excellency the Hon. *Van Beverning*, their Ambassador to the Court of Spain, who was embarked upon one of the men of war, came this day on shoar, with several Commanders and Masters of ships to refresh himself, intending to take the opportunity of the first fair wind to sail in pursuance of his voyage.

Rome, Nov. 26. Yesterday arrived here the Ambassadors of Obedience from the City of *Bologna*, who (upon some notice given of their approach) were met upon the way and attended into Town by a Train of more then Fourty Coaches.

*Don Pedro d' Arragon*, Viceroy of *Naples*, designed Ambassador of Obedience from his Catholick Majesty, has sent hither before him, many of his Horses with the Servants belonging to his tables, and part of his baggage, but will not arrive in person so soon as was expected, He having deferred his departure from *Naples*, till the end of *December*. He intends to make his appearance in this City with extraordinary splendor and Magnificence, every way suitable to the Dignity of his person, Character and Employment, attended by a Train of above Two hundred persons, and will continue Two Moneths here, and afterwards to return home for *Spain*, where he is designed to one of the Three Charges, either of Governor to the young King, Great Master of the Household, or Master of the Horse, beside the Command as Colonel to the Regiment of Guards.

This last week was held a long Congregation about the affairs of *Portugal*, which were there debated much to the satisfaction of their Ambassadors, and tis believed the Pope will find an expedient to satisfy the Prince Regent in the Confinement of the Bishops nominated for the succession in the so long vacante Sees of that kingdom. This Congregation ending a Courier was immediately dispatched to *Segnior Ravizza*, to order him to go forwards on his way for *Lisbonne*, where he is to appear with the Character of the Popes Nuncio.

The Extraordinary Ambassador from *Savoie* has not yet taken his leave, nor do we hear any thing as yet of the departure of the *Flence* Ambassador Extraordinary, which tis supposed, depends upon the return of the Couriers, which both those Ministers have lately sent to the Princes their Masters, to give them accounts of the late disputes between them in point of precedency.

The *Savoie* Ambassador has not yet been admitted to an Audience from the Pope, since his refusal to take out a Brief of Absolution from the Excommunication he incurred for the late breach of the peace, in which refusal he yet persists, though the Commander *Solari* has strongly pressed him to a compliance in that, upon the account of Religion.

Cardinal *Cerry* is gone to exercise his Charge as Legate, to *Urbine*. and Cardinal *Buoncompagni*, to his Archbishoprick of *Bologna*.

In *Naples*, the whole City is full of joy upon the arrival of a Courier from hence, bringing them the news of a Decree passed by the Pope in Congregation, for the Canonization of a new Saint, *Cajetan*, for whom they have a great veneration, he being one of the Protectors of that City; upon which occasion, the Viceroy, with all the Councils Royal, met the 16th instant in the Great Church of *St Paul*, where *Te Deum* was sung with excellent Musick, and at the same time all the Great Guns were fired from the several Forts, and the Foot, who were drawn up in divers Battalions, gave several volleys of shot.

*Madrid*, Nov. 26. His Excellency the Marquis *de Gouea*, Ambassador Extraordinary from the Prince Regent of *Portugal*, is now Treated upon the account of his Catholick Majesty, which according to the custome of this place, to persons of his Character, is to continue for Eight days, after which he is with the usual Ceremony to be conducted to his solemn Audience. The Count *de Humanez* has at the last accepted of the employment, as Ambassador to the Prince of *Portugal*, in order whereunto he is making due preparation, and may in few days be in readiness to set forwards on his way towards *Lisbonne*.

Tis not yet certainly known who is to succeed in the Vice-Royalty of *Gallicia*, the Option whereof has been given to *Alexander* Prince of *Parma*, who is not yet resolved, whether it be his interest to accept of that Charge, and to leave that which he has long enjoyed, of Lieutenant-General of the Horse.

The Marquis *Corsini*, Envoye from the Great Duke of *Tuscany*, has this day had his last Audience, to take his leave of their Majesties in order to his return home; he seems much satisfied with his entertainment in this Court; he was the last week very liberally entertained by the Archbishop of *Tolouse*, the French Ambassador Extraordinary, and after dinner diverted with a Comedy.

The Bull-Feasts, and other sports, intended for the diversion of his Majesty and the Court, are deferred, by reason of the badness of the weather.

The Queen has been lately pleased to confer the Honour of Counts of *Castille*, upon several persons, amongst whom are *Dom Pedro Fernandez del Campo*, *Dom Maria Ronquillo*, *Dom Sarmiento* a Nephew to the Inquisitor-General, and *Dom Fernando de Prado*.

The Constable of *Castille* has lately made a Present to his Majesty, of a little Coach, very artificially made of Silver, and richly furnished, drawn by Six little black horses excellently shap'd, and Three Dwarfs; Two whereof serve in the place of Coachman and Postillion; and what added much to the Present, the Coach was filled with several sorts of Rarities and Curiosities.

*Venice*, Dec. 6. Our Letters from the *Levant* inform us, that the plague is much abated in all parts of the Turkish Dominions, which encourages the Turks to fit up their broken Army, and return again to the management of their Trade, to repair the losses they received, not only by this years infection, but by the longer interruption occasioned by the late wars with this Republick.