

should permit the *Tripolines* to seize a *Venetian* Ship under the command of his Guns. This Message had so good effects upon the Governor, that he presently obliged the Corsairs to leave the place, who returned again towards the Coasts of *Barbary*, fearing to fall into the hands of our Men of War, who are cruising about the Gulf of *Sapienza*.

Vienna, Dec. 14. The Emperor with some impatience expects the return of a Courier which was sent to the Ottoman Court, amongst other things, to make some discovery (if possible) of the designs of that Empire, and against what Prince all these great preparations are intended.

We are daily more and more apprehensive lest the Rebels in *Hungary* may at the last receive some countenance from the Turks; the Duke *Abassi*, Prince of *Transylvania*, has lately called an Assembly of the States of his Countrey, to consult with them about the best methods of confirming the peace and quiet of those parts, and the easiest way of raising Moneys for the payment of the Tribute due to the Ottoman Court; which being in readiness, he can with greater confidence appear before the Grand Signior according to his summons.

The Count *d'Escherhaz*, the Emperors Envoye into *Hungary* has been so successful in his Negotiations there, as to prevail with the Counts *Tockelej* and *Paragosky* to lay down their arms, and to persuade the people to take in an Imperial Garrison. The said Counts have thought fit to commit their persons to his hands, who is with them suddenly expected here, where tis believed he may with little difficulty prevail with his Imperial Majesty for their pardons: he brings also with him Eight other persons, who upon the account of the same rebellion, were committed prisoners to *Leopold*.

The Inhabitants of the lesser *Comorra* have been lately upon the point of taking Arms against the Governor upon the account of some new Impositions charged on them; Count *Forgatz* being informed of the dispute, is gone thither, but finds it a matter of much difficulty to compose it to the satisfaction of all parties.

Brussels, Dec. 28 Our Letters from *Tournay* and other parts of the French Quarters, speak of nothing more then preparations for war, the storing of the Magazines with all sorts of Provisions and Ammunition, and the putting all the Garrisons into such a posture as may give satisfaction to his most Christian Majesty at his arrival in those parts, where he is expected about the end of *March* or the beginning of *April*.

The 26th instant in the evening arrived here the Baron *de Bergheich* from *Lille*, where the conference between the Deputies from both Crowns is still continued, though at present only Monsieur *de Houines* is there on the Spanish part, and only one Commissioner of the French side: the greatest difficulty which remains unconquered is, that the Spanish Commissioners scruple the signing of the Papers concerning the dependencies to which the French have put in their pretensions, before the French Commissioners shall think fit to accept of their Contrepensions.

The French forces in *Lorraine* are commanded to be in readiness to march, upon the first Orders they shall receive after the first of *January*; but their design admits of various conjectures.

Monsieur *de Berinsen*, Captain of the Guards, to the Bishop of *Munster*, is lately arrived here; and is not wanting to give private invitations to several Officers to accept of employments in his Masters service.

On Tuesday next his Excellency, the Count *de Montrepy*, is expected at *Antwerp* to negotiate for

the payment of a considerable sum of money, lately returned from *Spain*, to be employed in the service of these Provinces. And it is believed, he may afterwards take a view of the Garrisons in *Luxemburgh*, whither the Prince *de Chimay* intends within six days.

Hague, Dec. 30. The Bishop of *Munster* is raising Horse about *Aix la Chappelle*, *Liege*, *Cleves*, *Ruemon*, and other places thereabouts, the Officers taking care as soon as they can get about 14 or 15 together, to send them away to *Westphalia*. Colonel *Benting* is sent hither by the Bishop to give the States an account of his arming, professing that he has no other designe then to vindicate his pretensions to the Town of *Heuxter*, as a place belonging to his Abby of *Corby*. The Resident from the Dukes of *Lunenburg*, has by a *factum* which he has communicated to the States, endeavoured to prove, that the Duke of *Lunenburg Wolfenbutel* has beyond the memory of man enjoyed the Right of Protection of that place, and that none of the former Abbots did ever dispute it; so soon as the Bishops Envoye has had his Audience, the States intend to dispatch away their Deputies both to the Bishop and Duke, to offer their Mediation, and to endeavor to bring their disputes to a friendly composeure.

Falmouth, Dec. 21. A small Vessel of *Dublin* coming in hither from the *Canaries*, laden with Wines, gives us little other account, but only of an ill Vintage in those Islands; and that the *Bear*, a Ship of Three hundred Tuns belonging to *Dantzick*, having taken in her lading of Wines was unfortunately cast away near those Islands; but all the men saved, except the Skipper, and two others.

Advertisements.

Whereas divers persons have contracted with the Commissioners for granting Wine-Licences for Licence to sell Wine by Retail; and entered into Bonds, or under their Hands, obliged themselves to pay the respective Rents due for the same, at certain times now elapsed, whereby the said persons so obliged, are exposed unto chargeable prosecutions at Law, which hitherto hath been deferred, and they divers times advised to pay the same, but have still neglected. Now these are to give notice to all persons who owe or have so obliged themselves to pay any Rent by advance or otherwise (or who owe any arrears of Rent) for Wine Licences, that if such of them who dwell in or near the City of *London*, do not forthwith pay the same; and if those who dwell in the Countrey, do not also pay the said Rents at or before the 26th of *January* next, into the Wine-Licence Office, situate in *Durham-yard, London*, they will be impleaded and prosecuted according as the Law directeth. And also all persons selling Wine without Licence, or such who desire to sell Wine in any place in *England, Wales, or Berwick*, are hereby advised by themselves, Attorneys, or friends, forthwith to repair unto the said Commissioners, who will contract and give Licence unto them at moderate Rates, that the Trade in Wine may be increased, and they proceed to sell the same, and neither offend the Laws, nor further expose themselves to the forfeitures and penalties thereof. And all who desire Licence to sell Wine in any place, supposed to be wholly Lett to any person, may apply to such person for Licence, and in case they cannot agree, His Majesties Commissioners for Wine Licences, upon due application, will moderate between them, who have at present authorized *William Beaumont* their Agent, to agree and issue out Licences in the Counties of *Devon* and *Cornwall*.

We are ordered to give notice, That in pursuance of the Brief granted by His Majesty for the redemption of Captives; it was ordered in Council, That such persons as by their friends or their own industry shall be redeemed, shall have the allowance of 50*l.* made unto them respectively for each of their Redemptions, to be paid to the party disbursing the money, or to his Assignes, out of the common stock of the said Brief, upon the appearing of the party redeemed, in the Chamber of *London*, or (in case of death after his redemption) upon proof upon oath, and good certificate of the same from the Master and other Officers of the ship, on which he was shipped for his return; and that the half of the Money collected, shall be deposited for the use aforesaid until 5000*l.* be brought in upon the Brief.

The Committee of Lords appointed by His Majesty in Council on this behalf, have ordered to meet every Monday fortnight in the Council Chamber, for the speedy and effectual redemption of the said Captives, as Money shall come in.