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Dublin, December 27.

Yesterday happened here a very unfortunate accident, most of the Nobility and Gentry being at a Play, at the publick Play-house, the upper Galleries on a sudden fell all down, beating down the Second, which, together with all the people that were in them, fell into the Pit and lower Boxes. His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant with his Lady, happened to be there, but thanks be to God escaped the danger without any harm; part of the Box where they were, remaining firm, and so resisting the fall of what was above; onely his two Sons were found quite buried under the Timber; the younger had received but little hurt; but the eldest was taken up dead to all appearance, but having presently been let blood, and other remedies being timely applyed to him, he is at present past all danger. There were many dangerously hurt, and Seven or Eight killed outright. Here is lately dead the Bishop of Dromore, and its thought that Doctor Essex Digby may succeed him in that See.

Lisbonne, Dec. 16. The Prince Regent Don Pedro is at *Villa Franca*, a small Town, distant Six Leagues from this place, with the Queen, who in her way to *Salvaterra* fell sick there, and as it is said, miscarried, after having been Two months with Child; she is at present well recovered again, and expected here so soon as the Palace is refitted to receive her.

Vienna, Dec. 17. The report we had here of the taking of the Fortres of *Kaswar*, hath been contradicted upon the arrival of an Expres dispatched hither by the General Major *Heyster*, who says, That the place defends it self still, and that the Count *de Tekeley*, to whom it belongs was dead suddenly. He farther adds, that before the decease of the said Count, the inhabitants of the Two neighbouring Counties came to his assistance, and in a skirmish had killed several Germans, so that the success of that enterprize remains still doubtful. We receive daily advyce of the great preparations the Turks are every where making, so that we have just ground to apprehend a war the next Spring with them; his Imperial Majesty has hereupon given order for the making of new Levies in several parts of the Empire, and is sending Commissioners to visit his Magazines, to the end, stores of all kinds may be provided, The 12th instant Prince *Charles de Lorraine* returned hither from *Mayence*, and has since been with the Emperor to give him an account of what passed between him and his Uncle at their conferences there.

Venice, Decemb. 27. A Vessel arriving here two days ago from *Constantinople*, brings advyce, that Monsieur *Nointel*, Ambassador from His most Christian Majesty was arrived there, and had made his publick Entry with a great deal of pomp and magnificence; and that the Grand Seignior under pretence of Hunting approaches every day nearer to *Constantinople*. and some suspect with a design of coming unexpectedly by some stratagem of the Viscers into that City; and so on a sudden to crush the

faction of the Sultanes, who in the mean time omits not any thing for the strengthening her army, which is of late grown very considerable. The Proveditor General *Bernardo* continues very sollicitous to be recalled home, to which the Senate seem not very forward, but in a very kinde and gracious Letter have desired him to remain there for some short time longer, in order to the further effecting some designs now on foot.

Letters from *Dalmatia* tell us, That the Bassa of *Bossina* was slain very ill of an Apoplexy, which had put some stop to their proceedings, for regulating the limits; but withal, that so soon as the said Bassa was in any degree recovered, that affair would be concluded, as was hoped, to the satisfaction of both parties. They further add, That the General *Barbaro* was resolved to have driven the Turks by force out of *Deuirz* and *d'Obbruarz*, but had received peremptory Orders from the Senate, to forbear all kinde of hostility.

Yesterday being the Feast of *S. Stephen*, the Duke according to custom entertained at dinner the Four-score Senators, and all the Ministers from Foreign Princes.

Marfeilles, Dec. 30. We have late advyce from *Spain*, that Sir *Edward Spragg* was gone towards *Argiers* and that they were daily expecting to hear what success he had met with. That those Corsairs begin to cool, and to desire a peace with the English, but that it was thought they would suddenly fall out with the French, they having already plundered some Barques of theirs, coming from *Spain*, of several Bags of Plate and other rich Commodities.

Paris, Jan. 10. The King hath by an Order of Council thought fit to forbid all His Subjects, under great Penalties, to sell any Salt, Wine, or Brandy-Wine, to any of the Subjects of the States General of the *United Provinces*.

The Archbishop of *Sens*, who for some time hath lain dangerously ill, is at present somewhat better, but he of *Narbonne*, is past all hopes of recovery. The sixth instant died here, *Jacques Charles Amelot*, First President of the Court of *Aydes*, in the Thirty seventh year of his age, much lamented for his great Parts and Abilities, which he had given long testimony of in the discharge of that place.

The King hath been pleased of late to make several promotions of Bishops, having nominated the *Sieur de Rosmadec*, Bishop of *Vannes*, to the Archbishoprick of *Tours*; and the *Sieur de Vautorte*, Bishop of *Leytoure* to succeed him in that See. The *Sieur de Bar*, Bishop of *Acqs*, to the Bishoprick of *Leytoure*; the *Sieur de Guron*, Bishop of *Tulles* to that of *Cominges*; the *Sieur Segquier*, Bishop of *Lambez*, to that of *Nismes*; the Abbot *Biscarra*, Bishop of *Lodeve*, to the Bishoprick of *Beziers*; *Dom Cosme*, General of the *Fucillans*, to that of *Lombez*; the Father *Mascarron*, to the Bishoprick of *Tulles*; the Abbot *de Chaumont* to that of *Acqs*; the Abbot *le Camus* to that of *Grenoble*; the Abbot *Amelot*, to that of *Lauaur*; and the Abbot *Gaillard* to that of *Gapt*.

Monsieur *Cailler*, who hath been several times in *Poland*, employed in the affairs of the Prince *de Condé*, died here some days ago, and was buried