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Venice, December 2.

WE have received from several Places Advices of the Damage done by the overflowing of the Rivers on the Terra Firma, which in several Places have born down many Houses, and also drowned Numbers of Cattle and People, and destroyed the Corn sown in the Ground. The City of Verona was overflowed by the Adige, so that two thirds of it were under Water, several Houses driven down by the Strength of the Torrent, and the Warehouses and Cellars filled with Water, with very great Loss of Wine, and Goods of all Sorts. The Nuns of the Convent of St. Daniel were obliged to retire to that dell'Angeli, and the Capuchins were obliged to abandon their Monastery. Recruits for the Imperial Troops which are in Sicily continue to pass through the Veroneze, where the first Column of the Regiment of Foot of Bagni was expected, and was to be followed by the Regiment of Harrach. Numbers of Horses for remounting the Cavalry in Sicily, have likewise passed the same Way towards Naples. The Overflowings of the Rivers have done like Damage in the Mantuan and the Brescian as in the Veroneze.

Berne, Dec. 13. The Protestant Cantons have written again to the King of Prussia, in answer to his last Letter, thanking his Majesty for his gracious Communication of the Steps he had taken of late in favour of the Protestants of the Palatinate, and imploring the Continuance of his Majesty's Protection to those poor People; assuring the King on their Part, of their Readiness to do all that lies in their Power for the Relief of their persecuted Brethren; for which End they have likewise lately written to the Elector Palatine. They have written in the like Terms to the Landgrave of Hesse Cassel,

in answer to his Highness's last Letter. Dr. Turretin at Geneva, has lately published a Dissertation intituled, *Nubes Testium pro moderato & pacifico de rebus Theologicis. Jndicio & instituenda inter Protestantas Concordia*, which he has dedicated to his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury. This Treatise (which is much applauded by the moderate People of this Country) recommends to the differing Sects of Protestants a mutual Toleration.

From on Board the *Barfleur* in the Mole of Messina, Nov. 13, N. S. The Resolution taken by the Imperial Generals Count Mercy and M. Zumjungen, in a Conference with Sir George Byng on the 2d Instant, for transporting the greatest Part of the Imperialists by Sea to Syracuse, has since for certain Reasons been changed; and the Dispositions now judged most proper to be made, are, to keep a very strong Garrison in the Citadel and Town of Messina, in Melazzo, and in the adjacent Places, to send strong Garrisons to Syracuse and Trapani, and to establish Magazines at the latter Place. Count Mercy has sent General Wachtendonck over to Naples, to confer with the Viceroy there; and is also about to send Baron Neyberg to the Court of Vienna, to solicit the necessary Supplies. The Body of Men proposed to be sent to Trapani, is to be commanded by General Zumjungen; it being from that Part of the Country the Imperialists propose to act with Success against Palermo.

From on Board the *Barfleur* in the Mole of Messina, Nov. 17. General Mercy being determined to continue the Military Operations during the Winter; in order to it Provisions and other Necessaries are preparing and shipping off for 7000 Foot 200 Horse and 200 Hussars, which it is hoped will be ready in five or six Days to sail for Trapani with General Zumjungen, who takes with him Lieutenant Generals