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Madrid, Decemb, 30.

From *Alicant* they write, with great certainty, that they had advice by an *English* Frigate arrived there, that *Sir Edward Spragge* had on the 29 of the last Month, concluded an Honourable and Advantageous Peace with *Argiers*; That the Articles were in a manner the same, as those of the last Treaty, except that in this, it is more plainly expressed; That all Strangers, Goods, and Money, shall be free aboard any *English* Ships; The Captives being to be released at the Price they were first sold for in the Market; And the Port-Charges, usually heretofore paid, to be taken away, &c.

Ditto, We are now certainly told, of 800000 Crowns, that have been lately remitted by Bills of Exchange to the Count de *Monterey*, Governor of the *Spanish* *Neatherlands*, for the Service of these Countries: The *Marquis Villars*, Ambassador here from his most Christian Majesty, hath some days since had a conference with several Ministers of this Crown, to that end appointed by the Queen Regent.

The Duke de *Sessa* Vice-Roy of *Catalonia*, continues still here, as being unwilling to return to that Government, before he can be supplied with the necessary sums, for the paying the Arrears of the Soldiers there. From *Cadix* they write, that the Gallions may be ready to part thence, about the latter end of *January*, or the beginning of *February*.

Leghorne, *January* 4. The second instant departed hence, four small Merchant Ships, to lade Oyles for *England*, together with the *Leghorne* Merchant, with Peese-goods for *Naples* and *Venice*. Here are just now arrived four Dutch Merchant men, in 23 days from *Smirna*, having parted with their Company and two *English* Merchant men, the *Hambrough* Merchant, and another, off of *Sicily*, bound for *Messina*.

Vienna, *January* 21 We are told of a Letter his Imperial Majesty hath lately received from *Abassi* Prince of *Transilvania*, in which he assures the Emperor, of a sincere friendship, and ready observance in all things, that may not be of prejudice to his own interest; farther declaring, That he will not in the least countenance or protect any of the *Hungarian* Rebels against him, but on the contrary, will readily deliver them, in case they come within his power, into his Imperial Majesties hands. The Captain of Horse, who as was said, had been some time since taken Prisoner by a Party of *Turks*, being brought by them to *Waradin*, was immediately by order of that *Bassa*, restored to his liberty, and so dismissed with much kindness and civility. Here is some days since arrived an Express from *Paris*, with Letters to the French Minister here, who hath thereupon had Audience of the Emperor, and since Conference with some of the chief Ministers of this Court; so that it is generally thought, to be a matter of importance.

The 30 instant the Count *Adorty* was arrested at *Graiz* by order from the Emperor, and still continues

Prisoner there, having as is thought, been discovered by the Count de *Farenbach* before his death, to have been a Party in the late Rebellion in *Hungary*. We have not of late had any news from the Port, which might particularly concern us, but that in general, the Grand Signior is making great preparations against *Spring*. We have with much satisfaction received advice from *Cologne*, of the happy conclusion of the differences which have so long depended between that Elector and Town.

Dantzicke, *January* 21 The *Turkish* *Chiaus* continues still at *Warsaw*, not having as yet received any answer to the threatening Message he brought this Crown from the Port, it being a matter of that weight and concern, that the Senate hath been unwilling to declare positively in it, without the approbation of the whole Republick, whose determination in this affair, they expect at the Dyet to be held at *Warsaw* the 26 instant; in the mean time we hear, that several of the Provincial Dyets, have through the Factions and Animosities of the Nobility, been broken up, without coming to any resolutions concerning the Instructions to be framed for the Deputies, they ought to send to the great Dyet; and that they have in some places not so far agreed, as to be able to appoint the Deputies to be sent thither; from which turbulent beginnings, many fear, the General Dyet may run the same fortune, and by that means cast the affairs of the Kingdom, more and more into confusion, and leave the Government, (the Publick Revenues being at present much exhausted, their Forces weak, and by reason of their want of pay, somewhat discontented) hardly able to support it self, especially, should they this Spring, receive any disturbance from their Neighbors, as may be apprehended from the *Turks*, seeing they have so positively declared, almost a War against this Crown, unless they tamely quit their right to the *Ukraine*.

From *Warsaw* they write, that notwithstanding these dissatisfactions, which appear amongst the Nobility in many parts of the Kingdom, and are fomented by some of the chiefest quality, who are ill willers to the King and his Interests; they hope, that as the danger seems nearer to approach them, they will forget their private discontents, and unite for the publick good.

Munster *Eysfelt* by the *Maesel*, *January* 8. The French pass daily in small Troops, sometimes 100, and sometimes 50 in a Body down the *Moesel* from *Lorraine*, towards the Territories of the Elector of *Cologne*, without giving the least disturbance to the Inhabitants; who notwithstanding, through causeless frights, leave their Houses, and fly to the great Towns, especially since there is a report, of a general march to be within 14 days through these parts, of a considerable Army.

Frier, *January* 8. Yesterday was Elected here, for Coadjutor of this See, Monsieur *Wbersbeck*, Nephew to our Elector. All the news we have here is, of the matching of Forreign Troops towards the Electorate of *Cologne*.

Hamburgh, *January* 10: From *Stockholme* they write, that Monsieur *Courtin*, Ambassador from his