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Warsaw, Nov. 16.

Our Letters from *Leopol*, give us the sad news of the death of the King of *Poland*, who dyed here the 10 instant, about 11 a clock in the Morning, The particulars they auld are, That he had all his Senses to the last, and that finding his death to approach, he expressed a very earnest desire to see the Queen, but being told, that by reason of the bad weather, her Majesty would not be able to arrive in several days, he declared his last Testament, by which he made the Queen his sole Heir, and the chief Bishops and Senators of the Kingdom his Executors, and so Dyed amidst the Tears and Lamentations of all that were present; The Queen was arrived near *Russenburgh*, when she received this sad news, and immediately at the advice of the Under-Chancellor, returned on her way hither again; The Royal Corps will be removed to *Cracom*, to be Interred there with his Majesties Predecessors. We have not any news here from our Army, farther, than that it is said, they are advanced into *Wallacia*.

Danzick, Nov. 22. The 20 instant we had the certainty of the Death of the King of *Poland*; our Magistrates have not been wanting to express their sorrow for it, they having strictly forbidden all publick Diversions of every kind, the wearing of Jewels, or other rich Apparel, and ordered, that every person shall accord to his Quality, in the best manner he can, shew his Mourning for the death of this Prince; It is true indeed, that whilst his Majesty lived, he found many Enemies, but even those ought to be troubled now, to see the Kingdom brought into the evils which commonly attend new Elections.

Legorn, Nov. 9. By a Vessel come in here from *Argiers*, we have advice, that that Government has resolved not to break with *France*, but to write to the most Christian King to endeavor to reconcile the differences that have lately happened; That in the mean time they have a great many Men of War cruising abroad as far as the *Streights mouth*. From *Tunton* we have the confirmation of a considerable Squadron of Men of War that are fitting out there to cruise upon the Spaniards, who have at present not above 4 or 5 Men of War abroad in these Seas.

Lisbonne, Nov. 22. We expect here with much impatience the meeting of the Cortes, for in the mean time all things relating to the Process against the Conspirators, and the settlement of the other affairs of the Kingdom, are at a stand, the Prince Regent having resolved not to proceed therein but with their advice. The 4 in last arrived here an Envoye from the Crown of *Spain*, the Conde d' *Umarex* Ambassador here from thence being recalled home, who, in order to his departure, has already taken his leave of the Prince and Queen; It is said that many of the eminent persons of this Kingdom have endeavoured to persuade his Highness to secure the person of the said Ambassador, as having been found to have had a great hand in the conspiracy lately discovered, till such time as the King of *Spain* had been made acquainted with it, and given this

Crown satisfaction, but his Highness did not think fit to approve of their advice, deterring probably to express his Resentment till some other time.

The eighth instant the Popes Nuncio, who lately arrived here, made his publick Entry; and the next day the Marquis de *Gouca*, our late Ambassador at *Madrid*, arrived here, and the Morning following was to kiss the Prince's hand, who some report, seemed displeas'd with him, for having accepted to easie a satisfaction for the affront that was offered him at *Madrid*. The sixth layed hence two men of War for the *Tereira's*, and on them went *Pedro Jacques*, Admiral of this Kingdom, though very privately, carrying no Flag; this occasions much discourse here, to see a person of his quality go our with two Fregats only; They have since been forced in again by bad weather, and in two or three days will sail the second time. The last week *Antonio Courti*, a great Favorite of the Kings, was apprehended with three Eriais, being concerned it seems in the Lye Plot. The Prince is going to increase his standing Forces to 12000 Men effective.

Ratisbonne, Nov. 18. The Debate of the three Colleges this week past, has been concerning the publick security, and the general Arming of the Empire; the pay of the chief Officers, and the number of the Troops to be brought on foot, (which we are told, shall be 30 thousand Men) and the Artillery to be furnished by each Circle, have been adjutted, the ordering of the other matters, being left to the Generals and Commissaries, who will be here in few days; and in the interim this Resolution hath been sent to the Emperor for his approbation. The Minister that is here on the part of the Crown of *Sweden*, continues to insist, that the Emperor be persuaded to agree to a general suspension of Arms, and to call back his Forces, otherwise, that the Swedish Troops, to the number of 20000 Men, will advance to the *Rhine*, to act against them that oppose the re-establishment of the quiet of *Germany*; and a just and reasonable Peace; to which purpose we are told likewise, of a League lately concluded between the Electors of *Bavaria* and *Brandenburg*, and other Princes.

Strasbourg, Nov. 22. Monsieur d' *Turenne* having lately held a Council of War with the Principal Officers of his Army near *Manheim*; it was resolved that the Vanguard should advance towards *Hautsruick*, which they accordingly did, Monsieur de *Turenne* having at the same time caused another part of his Troops to pass the River *Nake*, not far from *Creutsnack*, about four Leagues from *Mayence*; which occasioned a report, that he had a design to make himself Master of the former of these places, by that means to cut off the passage of the *Lower Rhine* from the Imperialists, who receive much Provisions and other necessaries by the way of *Coblentz*. In the mean time the Bridge which was ordered to be made over the *Moselle*, between *Liezer* and *Coblentz* being finished, he hath caused his Infantry to pass it, in order to their advancing farther into the Electorate of *Treves*, the heavy Artillery and the Baggage which was least necessary is left at *Philippsburg*, that