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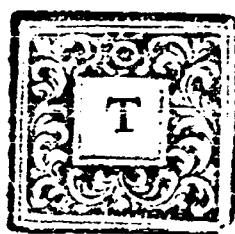
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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Constantinople, Dec. 20.



THE Grand Visier is impatient for the Return of the Persons he has sent to Holland to get more Types for the Printing-House he has lately establish'd in this City, in order to print an History of the Revolutions that have happen'd in this Empire, from Ottoman the first Emperor, to him who now reigns: It is the Grand Visier himself who has compos'd it; and it is assured, that it is much more correct than any thing that has hitherto appeared of that Kind: This first Minister is not only expert in Politicks, but also in the Sciences: And to unbend his Mind from the Fatigue of his Ministry, he takes no other Diversion but to read the Works of Julius Cæsar, Quintus Curtius, Livy, Tacitus and Justin, which he has got translated into Arabick: He likewise takes great Delight to converse with Men of Learning; and sends almost every Day for M. Tahlman, the Emperor's Minister, and for the Abbots Fourmont and Sevin, for whom he has a particular Esteem, on Account of their Learning.

Constantinople, Jan. 17. The Plague begins again to rage in this City; which has obliged the Foreign Ministers to retire, as they did before, into the Country. The Marquess de Villeneuve is very shortly to have his publick Audience of the Grand Signior. The Abbots of Fourmont and Sevin are still busy'd in searching the Grand Signior's Library; and it is assured, that they have found in it what was believ'd to be lost of the Works of Tacitus, which cannot be but a welcome Discovery to the Learned of Europe.

Extract of a Letter from Faro, dated the 20th of February. N. S.

Yesterday part of the Galleons arriv'd off this Port in their way to Cadiz. The Admiral was supplied with Water and fresh Provisions; and this Morning they sail'd (with a fair Wind) for Cadiz. The Galleons, ten Men of War, and six Merchant Ships, came from Carthagenæ the 11th of October, and arriv'd at Havanna the 18th of that Month; there they were join'd by two Men of War, call'd the Azogues Ships, and a Brigantine (Prize) from La Vera Cruz, and two Register Ships from Honduras, which Ships were esteem'd to have on board to the Value of Nine Millions of Pieces of Eight, including a large Quantity of Cochineal. They left the Prince Frederick, belonging to the English South-Sea Company, under the Command of Capt. Williams, at La Vera Cruz; but preparing to leave that Place. This Fleet came from the Havana, Nov. 29. and consist'd of Twelve Men of War, eleven Merchant Ships, three of them small Ships with Tobacco and Sugar, and two Advice Boats; and on the 30th past got into the Latitude of Madera, when meeting with very bad Weather and contrary Winds, they separated, with Orders to put into the first Port they could reach, being all in great want of Provisions. The Admiral told us, that he was in great Care for two Ships which had lost their Masts, and were in great Want before they left him; one of them was nam'd the Infanta, and the other

the St. Antonio. They left two Ships at the Havana to reef, and load Tobacco, &c. 'Tis comput'd that the Galleons and the Azogues Ships have on board about Thirty Millions of Pieces of Eight in Money and Effects.

Seville, Feb. 22. The King and Court are gone from this City, for Cadiz, in a very great Hurry, in order to have the Satisfaction of being present at the Arrival of the Galleons, which, 'tis said, are off the Coast. Great Preparations were made here against the Court's Arrival; Triumphal Arches were erected, the Famous Places were repaired and beautified, &c. but, to the Surprize of the Citizens, his Majesty came unexpectedly at dark Night. Preparations were made for a Royal Bull Feast, and the Scaffolds are erected, but 'tis now put off 'till the Courts Return from Cadiz, and 'tis very uncertain when that will be. The Entry of the Court was very irregular, some Embassadors, Noblemen, &c. coming before the King, and some long after him. And, upon the whole, this Visit has made the People very uneasy, as believing themselves slighted.

Cadiz, Feb. 22. N. S. The King and Court arriv'd on this Island last Night from Seville, when a Triple Salvo was fired from this City. As we did not expect him here so soon, it has put us all in Confusion; however, we are preparing to receive him in the best Manner we are able, and Triumphal Arches are erecting in the Streets thro' which he is to pass. What adds to our Joy, as well as Confusion, is the Appearance of the Galleons; for since my last of the 15th, arriv'd here the Register Ship San Raphael, a Ship of 40 Guns, Don Juan Fernandez Arnaud, Commander, which came from the Havana with them, and left them near at hand; and this Morning arriv'd the Fuerte, Capitana of the Azogues (or Quick-Silver Ships) and the St. Antonio, Almiranta, from La Vera Cruz; the St. Lewis, of 64 Guns, Capitana of the Galleons, the Infanta Man of War of 60 Guns, the Blandon, of 52 Guns, and the Volant Pinkie, and the Matanzero Merchant Ships; the St. Fernando, of 64 Guns, Almiranta, of the Galleons, is now coming into Port, and some others appear in Sight; the Catalan, of 64 Guns, being the old Admiral, and the St. Antonio Merchant Ship, being two of the Galleons, we hear are put into Vigo; and another of them, the St. Juan Man of War is put into Lisbon.

Cadiz, March 8. The Foreign Ministers continue pressing his Majesty to have his final Resolution as to the Difficulties which retard an Accomodation; but cannot find they succeed. Last Week Mr. Keen, the British Minister, dispatch'd a Messenger to his Court; and he has two more attending on him. The Treasure and Effects brought by the Galleons and Azogues Ships are now landed, but no Time is fixed for their being deliver'd to the Proprietors, nor is it yet known how much the Indulto will be. It's said, an Account is now forming, of the Expence his Majesty hath been at, in bringing home the Galleons, &c. By which the Indulto is to be regulated. The Seamen on Board the Men of War have received 3 Months Arrears, but are not suffer'd to come on Shore, nor are the Ships disarming. Four Days ago, the Don Carlos Snow put to Sea, in order to fall in with 6 Men of War, and 2 Bomb Yatches, expected from St. Anders, and hasten them in here, to make our Navy appear more agreeable to the King; but we have learn'd that they