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she added that the King should be able to compass his subjects otherwise if they would not willingly incline to pacification. The King departed this town on the 24th, and appoints to be at Rheims the 10th February to be sacred the 15th. Poles have had a short despatch; the King will send one to Poland with his answer. Since the departure of the King from Avignon, Danville has taken Aiguesmortes, a strong port. well furnished with munition, the staple of salt for Languedoc, Dauphiny, Lionnois, and Burgundy, a matter of great consequence. They of Provence have taken Digne, a strong place in that country. The King came under the walls of Livron in his way, yet the very same day Montbrun put 100 men into the town, and the King was fain to withdraw his camp. Count Ghiazzo passing between this town and Avignon was slain with divers of his company. M. de Gourdes is not sorry for the evil success of Bellegarde before Livron, because the charge was taken from him, being lieutenant of the country. La Nocle was much made of at Court; he returns to the King at Rheims from the Prince of Condé. The Venetians have news that the Turk is alive again.—Lyons, 25 Jan. 1574. Signed.

Add., with seal. Endd. Pp. 11.

Jan. 26. 18. THE PRINCE OF ORANGE to LORD BURGHLEY.

Letter of credence for M. Calvart sent to the Queen of England.—Dortrecht, 26 Jan. 1575. Signed.

Add. Endd. Fr. P. 1.

Jan. 28. 19. "The Attempt against the Duke of Alençon's Person."

Upon the news of the attempt upon Monsieur's person, the Queen Mother, being at Chatelherault, coming towards Paris, was taken with a great "fevre," whereof she had nine fits, and withal a catarh, which fell down into her arm, so that she was constrained to stay her voyage. In the mean time she endeavoured to pacify the minds of Monsieur and others: and because she was so much offended with the Chancellor, the Dukes of Guise, Nemours, and Nevers, and with M. Chivernay and others of the King's Council, the King sent Chiverny to her to purge himself, but she was so much displeased that she would scant speak with him, and used very sharp words against him and the rest; in the end he is returned with much ado upon promise to amend all faults and to do nothing hereafter contrary to her determinations. The Duke of Guise and the rest stand so in doubt of the Queen's displeasure that they are ready to give over and deal no more against her. There have been great practices to stay the reiters, who have promised to stay about Chaumont so as the agreement made with Monsieur be performed, and so that the King stays his reiters, and the army of the Duke of Maine, which lies at Vittry, be withdrawn, and so that they be quietly served with victuals. Schomberg has come out of