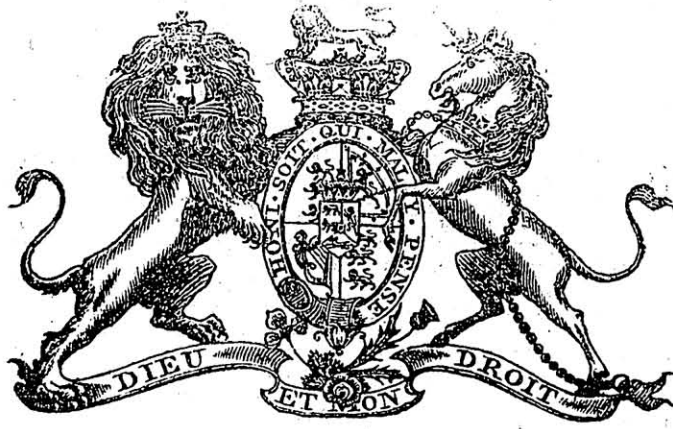


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FROM FRIDAY, JULY 8, to TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1808.

At the court at the Queen's Palace, the 4th of July 1808,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty having taken into consideration the glorious exertions of the Spanish nation for the deliverance of their country from the tyranny and usurpation of France, and the assurances which his Majesty has received from several of the provinces of Spain, of their friendly disposition towards this kingdom; his Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of his Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered;

*First,* That all hostilities against Spain on the part of his Majesty shall immediately cease.

*Secondly,* That the blockade of all the ports of Spain, except such as may be still in the possession or under controul of France, shall be forthwith raised.

*Thirdly,* That all ships and vessels belonging to Spain, shall have free admission into the ports of his Majesty's dominions, as before the present hostilities.

*Fourthly,* That all ships and vessels belonging to Spain, which shall be met at sea by his Majesty's ships and cruizers, shall be treated in the same manner as the ships of states in amity with his Majesty, and shall be suffered to carry on any trade now considered by his Majesty to be lawfully carried on by neutral ships.

*Fifthly,* That all vessels and goods belonging to persons residing in the Spanish colonies, which shall be detained by any of his Majesty's cruizers after the date hereof, shall be brought into port, and shall be carefully preserved in safe custody, to await his Majesty's further pleasure, until it shall be known whether the said colonies, or any of them, in which the owners of such ships and goods reside, shall have made

common cause with Spain against the power of France.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury, his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, the Judge of the High Court of Admiralty, and the Judges of the Courts of Vice-Admiralty, are to take such measures herein as to them may respectively appertain. STEPHEN COTTREL.

*The Speech of the Lords Commissioners to both Houses of Parliament, on Monday, July 4, 1808.*

*My Lords, and Gentlemen,*

We have it in command from his Majesty to express to you the great satisfaction which he derives from being enabled, by putting an end to the present session of Parliament, to terminate the laborious attendance which the public business has required of you.

The measure which you have adopted for the improvement of the military force of the country, promises to lay the foundation of a system of internal defence eminently useful, and peculiarly adapted to the exigencies of these times.

The sanction which you have given to those measures of defensive retaliation, to which the violent attacks of the enemy upon the commerce and resources of this kingdom compelled his Majesty to resort, has been highly satisfactory to his Majesty. His Majesty doubts not that in the result the enemy will be convinced of the impolicy of persevering in a system which retorts upon himself, in so much greater proportion, those evils which he endeavours to inflict upon this country.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons,*

We are commanded by his Majesty to return his most hearty acknowledgements for the cheer-

fulness and liberality with which the necessary supplies for the current year have been provided. His Majesty directs us to assure you, that he participates in the satisfaction with which you must have contemplated the flourishing situation of the revenue and credit of the country, notwithstanding the continued pressure of the war; and he congratulates you upon having been enabled to provide for the exigencies of the public service with so small an addition to the public burdens.

His Majesty commands us to thank you for having enabled him to make good his engagements with his allies; and to express to you the particular gratification which he has derived from the manner in which you have provided for the establishment of his sister, her Royal Highness the Duchess of Brunswick.

*My Lords, and Gentlemen,*

His Majesty has great satisfaction in informing you, that, notwithstanding the formidable confederacy united against his ally the king of Sweden, that sovereign preserves with unabated vigour and constancy to maintain the honour and independence of his crown: no effort has been wanting on the part of his Majesty to support him in the arduous contest in which he is engaged.

The recent transactions in Spain and Italy have exhibited new and striking proofs of the unbounded and unprincipled ambition which actuates the common enemy of every established government and independent nation in the world.

His Majesty views with the liveliest interest the loyal and determined spirit manifested by the Spanish nation, in resisting the violence and perfidy with which their dearest rights have been assailed.

Thus nobly struggling against the tyranny and usurpation of France, the Spanish nation

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