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FROM FRIDAY, JUNE 23, to TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 1809.

The Speech of the Lords Commissioners to both Houses of Parliament, on Wednesday, June 21, 1809.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

We are commanded by his Majesty to acquaint you, that his Majesty has great satisfaction in being enabled, by the state of the public business, to release you from your laborious attendance in Parliament.

His Majesty doubts not that on your return into your respective counties, you will carry with you a disposition to inculcate, both by instruction and example, a spirit of attachment to those established laws and that happy constitution, which it has ever been his Majesty's anxious wish to support and to maintain, and upon which, under providence, depend the welfare and prosperity of this Kingdom.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

We have it in command from his Majesty to thank you for the liberal provision, which you have made for the services of the present year; and to express the satisfaction which his Majesty derives from your having been enabled to provide for those services without any great and immediate addition to the burdens upon his people.

His Majesty particularly commands us to acknowledge your prompt attention to his wishes, respecting an increased provision for the poorer clergy; an object in the highest degree interesting to his Majesty's feelings, and deserving the favourable consideration of Parliament.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The atrocious and unparalleled act of violence and treachery by which the ruler of France attempted to surprise and to enslave the Spanish nation, while it has excited in Spain a determined and unconquerable resistance against the usurpation and tyranny of the French Govern-

ment, has, at the same time, awakened in other nations of Europe a determination to resist, by a new effort, the continued and increasing encroachments on their safety and independence.

Although the uncertainty of all human events, and the vicissitudes attendant upon war, forbid too confident an expectation of a satisfactory issue to the present struggle against the common enemy of Europe, his Majesty commands us to congratulate you upon the splendid and important success which has recently crowned the arms of the Emperor of Austria, under the able and distinguished conduct of his Imperial Highness the Archduke Charles.

To the efforts of Europe for its own deliverance, his Majesty has directed us to assure you, that he is determined to continue his most strenuous assistance and support, convinced that you will agree with him in considering that every exertion for the re-establishment of the independence and security of other nations is no less conducive to the true interests, than it is becoming the character and honour of Great Britain.

Then a commission for proroguing the parliament was read. After which the Lord Chancellor said;

My Lords and Gentlemen,

By virtue of his Majesty's commission under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in his Majesty's name, and in obedience to his commands, prorogue this Parliament to Thursday the 10th day of August next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the 10th day of August next.

WHITEHALL, JUNE 20, 1809.

The King has been pleased to grant to the Honourable Henry Sedley, the place or office of Gentleman and Master of his Majesty's

robes, in the room of the Earl of Harcourt resigned.

ST. JAMES'S, JUNE 24, 1809.

The King has been pleased to appoint Edmund Phelps, Esq. to be Lieutenant of the Yeoman of the Guard, vice Nathan Egerton Garrick, Esq. resigned.

WESTMINSTER, JUNE 19, 1809.

This day the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by Sir Francis Molineux, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorized by virtue of his Majesty's Commission for declaring his Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to bear the Commission read, and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

An act to make further provision for the execution of the several acts relating to the revenues, matters, and things under the management of the Commissioners of customs and port duties, and of the Commissioners of inland excise and taxes in Ireland.

An act for better securing the independence and purity of Parliament, by preventing the procuring or obtaining of seats in Parliament by corrupt practices.

An act to give to the persons named by his Majesty, pursuant to an act passed in the last session of Parliament, intituled an act concerning the administration of justice in Scotland, and concerning appeals to the House of Lords, further time for making their report or reports.

An act for lowering the duty of excise on coffee of the growth of his Majesty's dominions in Africa.

An act for amending and reducing into one act of Parliament the several laws for raising and training the militia of Ireland.

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