

Laudable Society for the Benefit of Widows,
Queen's Arms Tavern, St. Paul's Church-Yard,
March 2, 1774.

A General Meeting of the Laudable Society for the Benefit of Widows will be held at Scots-Hall, Water-Lane, Black-Friars, on Thursday the 7th of April next, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the Choice of Twenty-four Directors for the Year ensuing; and on other Affairs relative to the said Society.

The Ballot to be opened at Eleven, and finally closed at Two.

No Payments to be received at the General Meeting.

By Order of the Directors,
Michael Filther, Secretary.

South-Sea House, March 10, 1774.

THE Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company give Notice, That a General Court of the said Company will be held at this House, on Thursday the 24th Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, being one of the Half-Yearly General Courts appointed by the Charter.

East-India House, March 11, 1774.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-Street, on Tuesday next the 15th Instant, from Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon until Six in the Evening, for the Determination by Ballot of the following Questions, viz.

"That this Court doth approve of the Draught of the Commission to Warren Hastings, Esq; as amended, and do recommend it to the Court of Directors forthwith to prepare a Commission accordingly, and to affix the Seal of the Company thereto."

"That this Court do approve the Draught of the Commission to Lieutenant-General John Clavering, and do recommend it to the Court of Directors to make out the same, and affix the Seal of the Company thereto."

East-India House, March 11, 1774.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-Street, on Wednesday next the 16th Instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, to take into further Consideration the Draught of the Instructions relative to the Commissions to Warren Hastings, Esq; and Lieutenant-General Clavering; and also to consider of confirming the Revival of the Third Section of the 21st By-Law, and of the Alteration of the 17th By-Law.

East-India House, March 8, 1774.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby give Notice,

That, notwithstanding the said Court proceeded with the utmost Caution in determining the Manner and Order of choosing Directors, agreeable to the late Act of Parliament for establishing certain Regulations for the better Management of the Affairs of the East-India Company, as well in India as in Europe; and that they were warranted in the Mode of Election advertised on the 23d of February, by the concurrent Opinions of Mr. Sayer, Mr. Dunning, and Mr. Madocks, as being perfectly legal; yet various Doubts having arisen, under the Intricacies and Difficulties which the Act of Parliament presents upon every Alternative; and several other Lawyers, equally eminent in their Profession, viz. Mr. Solicitor-General, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Wallace, having delivered their Opinions, "That the said Mode, as prescribed by the Court of Directors, is equally illegal;" The Court, in order to avoid the dan-

gerous Consequences of any Error in their Proceedings; on a Subject of so much Importance, have again taken the same under their most deliberate Consideration, together with the several Opinions of Council above referred to, and have unanimously come to the following Resolutions, as the Manner and Order seemingly agreed by all to be free from any legal Objections; for choosing Six Directors expressly for the Term of One Year; Six other Directors for the Term of Two Years; Six other Directors for the Term of Three Years; and the remaining Six Directors for the Term of Four Years, according to the Words of the Act.

That the Election shall be by Ballot of the Proprietors on the 13th of April next, from Nine o'Clock in the Morning, until Six in the Evening.

That each Proprietor shall give in a List, containing Twenty-four Names of Persons duly qualified, divided into four Classes of,

Six for the Term of one Year,
Six for the Term of two Years,
Six for the Term of three Years,
Six for the Term of four Years.

That the Six Candidates, who shall have the greatest Number of Votes in any one Class, shall be the Directors chosen for the Period for which they shall be so classed; and that no Votes shall be transferred from one Class to another; and if any Dispute shall arise upon an Equality of Votes between any two or more Candidates in any of the said Classes, the same is to be reported by the Scrutineers to the General Court, that the Choice may be determined in the said Court by Lot, conformably to the Directions in the Company's Charter, for that Purpose.

Treasury Chambers, Dublin, January 29, 1774.

WHEREAS several Sums of Money have already been subscribed in Part of the Sum of 265,000 l. to be raised in Pursuance of an Act of Parliament, intituled, An Act for granting Annuities, in the Manner therein provided, to such Persons as shall voluntarily subscribe towards the Raising a Sum not exceeding the Sum of 265,000 l. Notice is hereby given, That I will continue to receive Subscriptions, agreeable to the said Act; and that all Persons, to whom Arrears are due upon the Civil and Military Establishments of this Kingdom, as far as the 30th of September last, shall be permitted to subscribe the Sums so due to them; and I do give this further Notice, That no Preference will be given to any Person whatever, but that the Subscriber who makes the first Payment will be considered as the first Subscriber, and so in Succession according to their actual Payments, until the 20 l. per Cent on the Whole is received; and when the Subscription is completed, and the Nominees appointed, a printed List will be delivered to each Subscriber, in their different Classes, setting forth the Names of the said Nominees, their respective Ages, Places of Abode, and other Descriptions, as required by the Act. And on the 5th of December, and 5th of June, in every Year, a List of the Names of the several Nominees, whose Deaths are come to Knowledge, and of the Subscribers, who have made Default in making Demand, will be printed in the Dublin Gazette.

Nath. Clements, Dep. Rec. Gen.

N. B. For the Convenience of Persons not residing in Ireland, Subscriptions will be received by Mess. Browns and Collinson, Bankers, in Lombard-Street, or Mess. Nesbitts, in London.

Union Fire Office.

THE Directors of the Union Society for insuring Goods and Merchandize from Loss by Fire give Notice, that the Half-Yearly General Meeting of the Members of the said Society, will be held at their Office in Maiden-Lane near Cheap-side, on Wednesday the 23d Instant, at Four in the Afternoon, to report the State of the Office.