

The just expectations of His Majesty have been disappointed; and measures have been adopted in Portugal in disregard of the earnest advice and repeated remonstrances of His Majesty, which have compelled His Majesty, and the other Powers of Europe acting in concert with His Majesty, to withdraw their representatives from Lisbon.

His Majesty relies upon the wisdom of the august Sovereign, the head of the House of Braganza, to take the course which shall be best calculated to maintain the interests and honour of that illustrious Family, and to secure the peace and happiness of the dominions over which it reigns.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons,*

We are commanded by His Majesty to thank you for the supplies which you have granted to Him for the service of the present year. His Majesty will apply them with the utmost regard to economy, and will continue a deliberate revision of the several public establishments, with a view to any further reduction which may be compatible with the dignity of the Crown, and with the permanent interests of the country.

*My Lords, and Gentlemen,*

His Majesty commands us to congratulate you upon the general prosperity of the country, and upon the satisfactory state of the public revenue.

His Majesty contemplates the increase of our financial resources with peculiar gratification, on account of the decisive proof which it exhibits, that the condition of His Majesty's subjects is one of progressive improvement.

His Majesty commands us, in conclusion, to assure you that His unabated exertions will be directed to incaluate among Foreign Powers a spirit of mutual goodwill, and to encourage the industry, to extend the commerce, and advance the general welfare of His own dominions.

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 28th day of August next, to be then here holden, and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the 28th day of August next.

At the Court at St. James's, the 28th day of June 1828,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fifty-sixth year of His late Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to empower His Majesty to suspend the ballot or enrolment for the local militia," it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by any Order in Council, to direct that no ballot or enrolment for the local militia shall take place, but that such ballot and enrolment shall remain and continue suspended for the period specified in any such Order in Council, and from time to time by any like Order or Orders in Council, to continue such suspension so long as His Majesty shall deem the same expedient, any thing in any Act or Acts of Parliament to the contrary notwithstanding; and whereas by an Order in Council, made the thirtieth of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, it was ordered by His Majesty in Council, that no ballot or enrolment for the local militia should take place for the space of one year from the sixteenth of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, but that the ballot should remain and continue suspended for the space of one year from the said sixteenth of July; and whereas it is deemed expedient to continue such suspension of the ballot and enrolment for the local militia for the space of one year from and after the sixteenth day of July in this year; it is, therefore, ordered by His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, that no ballot or enrolment for the local militia do take place for the space of one year from and after the sixteenth day of July in this year, but that the ballot or enrolment for the local militia do remain and continue suspended for the space of one year from and after the sixteenth day of July next.

C. C. Grenville.

At the Court at St. James's, the 7th day of May 1828,

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the time limited by His Majesty's Order in Council, of the eighteenth of October last, for prohibiting the exportation of gun-powder, salt-petre, or any sort of arms or ammunition, to any port or place on the Coast of Africa (except to any ports or places within the Straights of Gibraltar), will expire on the twenty-third day of this instant May, and whereas it is judged expedient that the said prohibition should be continued for some time longer, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, doth therefore hereby order, require, and command, that no person or persons whatever (except the Master General of the Ordnance for His Majesty's Service), do, at any time during the space of six months (to commence from the twenty-third of this instant May), presume to transport any