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BY THE KING, A PROCLAMATION

Appointing a Time of Publick Thanksgiving and Prayer throughout the Kingdom.

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IT having pleased Almighty God (who in signal manner hath blessed His Majesty and this Kingdom under His Majesties Government, with great Prosperity, Peace and Plenty) to give His Majesty also apparent Hopes and good Assurance of having Issue by His Royal Consort the Queen, who (through Gods great Goodness) is now with Child: And forasmuch as Increase of Issue of the Royal Family is a Publick Blessing, and (under God,) a great Security of Peace and Happiness to this Kingdom: His Majesty therefore hath thought fit (at the humble Request, and by the Advice of His Privy Council) to Appoint a Time, upon this Occasion, to render Publick and hearty Thanks, throughout this Kingdom, for this great Blessing already begun, and to offer up Prayers to Almighty God for the continuance thereof: And His Majesty doth accordingly Appoint, Command and Require, That upon the Fifteenth day of January next, within the Cities of London and Westminster, and Ten Miles thereabout, and upon the Nine and twentieth day of the same Month, in all other Places throughout this Kingdom, Publick Thanks, and Solemn Prayers be offered up to Almighty God upon the Occasion aforesaid: And for this purpose His Majesty hath signified His Royal Pleasure to the Right Reverend Fathers in God Nathaniel Lord Bishop of Durfene, Thomas Lord Bishop of Rochester, and Thomas Lord Bishop of Peterborough, (being His Majesties Commissioners Constituted for Exercising the Episcopal Jurisdiction within the Diocess of London) forthwith to prepare a Form of Prayer and Religious Service, which may be suitable to this Occasion; Which Form of Prayer and Service His Majesty will cause to be Printed and Published, and by the Right Reverend the Bishops Sent and Distributed throughout their severall and respective Diocesses, to be observed and used in the Churches and Chappels of this Kingdom, upon the severall and respective days before mentioned: And lastly, His Majesty doth Charge and Command all His loving Subjects to take Notice hereof, and to demean themselves in all things accordingly.

Given at Our Court at Whitehall, the 23d day of December, 1687. In the Third Year of Our Reiga.

Stockholm, Nov. 30. The Prince of Holstein has been here some time, and received very kindly of his Majesty, and there has been a Report that he shall have the Command of the Regiment of Guards. It is said, That the Danish Envoy here hath made an Answer to the Swedish Memorial presented at Copenhagen, setting forth, That Resstitution had not been mentioned in the last Treaty at Fontainebleau; That the Treaties of Ryschild and Copenhagen were more apparently forced than that of Rensburg, by which the Duke had renounced the Sovereignty of Sleswick, and that he had since by so many ways contraven'd all the Treaties, that the Guarands were absolved from the Obligations that might otherwise seem binding. The Project is carried on of furnishing Holland with Deals and Timber from hence, at very reasonable Rates, in case the Difficulties are continued by the Danes, which are the subject of the Sieur Hope's Negotiations; in order to which there has been a design to clear the River of Helmstad, (a Town on the Baireque, in the Province of Halland) to make it serviceable for that purpose, which it is said may be done for 2000. Crowns.

Vienna, Decemb. 21. We have now a more particular Account of the late Coronation at Presburg, at which the Nobility of both Nations appear'd, with an Emulation to outvie one another in Dress and Equipage, and the Procession and Ceremonies were as follows:

Their Imperial Majesties, with the New King, heard Mass in the Morning, at the Chappel of the Castle, and about Ten of the Clock, the German and Hungarian Nobility Rendezvous'd in the great Court of the Castle, all on Horseback, differently habited, according to the Modes of their Countrey. In the Procession to St. Martins Cathedral, where the Inauguration was to be Celebrated, their Imperial Majesties were carried in a very Rich New Coach drawn with Eight Horses, and the New King went before them in another, with the same Number of Horses. About the Coaches marched the Guard of Halberdiers, and before and after them the Nobility were disposed into the Order prescribed. They were saluted at the Church by the sound of all Warlike Instruments, where there was a Theatre raised upon 36 Pillars of the Dorick Order, and adorned with the richest Hangings and Pictures. They were received at the Entrance into the Church by the Archbishop of Gran, accompanied with 12 Bishops, and 14 Abbots, in their Pontifical Habits; besides the Clergy of the Cathedral, with the Cardinal Bonvise the Apostolique Nuncio, and Cardinal Coloniz, and the Ambassadors of Spain and Venice; at the same time the Cannon of the Town and Castle were discharged. Their Majesties putting on their Imperial Robes in the Sacristy, they were conducted to the Throne prepared for them in this manner: First marched two of the Emperor's Heralds with their Coats Richly Embroidered with the Imperial Eagles, who were followed by the Hungarian Heralds with their Coats Embroidered with the Arms of that Kingdom, carrying the marks of their Office. Next went the Imperial Guards of Archers and Halberdiers, in Coats of black and yellow Velvet, in the Rear of which came their Captains Count Mansfeld, and Count Colorado, all covered with Jewels and Embroidery; They were followed by the Pages and Footmen in the same sort of Liveries with the Halberdiers. Then the Clergy with Mitres and Crochiers, and other Distinctions, according to their several Degrees. After them followed the great Officers and principal Men of the Court, then the two Cardinals, and the Ambassadors of Spain and Venice immediately before the Emperor, who marched in his Robes, the Crown on his Head, with a Bishop on each side of him, the Emblems of Majesty being carried by two Princes, and two Counts of the Empire. The World was born by the Prince of Schwartzembourg, representing the Lord High Marshal of the Empire. The Scorpion on a Cushion, by the Prince of Hohenzollern. The Ball, by the Count de Czeil. And the Cafe for the Crown, by the Count of Sinszendorf. And the Empress was likewise Robed, and Crowned. And their Majesties being seated on their Throne, the Bishops and Clergy return'd again to the Sacristy, to wait on the King; who was conducted to a Throne near the Altar, in this manner: Ten Heralds, having their Names from Ten Provinces of the Kingdom of Hungary, marched first, then the Kings Guard, and after them the Pages and Footmen, in very Rich Liveries; After whom followed the Hungarian Nobility, Ten of the chief of them carrying Standards with the Arms of the Ten chief Provinces. Then came the Bishops and Clergy, and after them the King, dress'd after the Hungarian Fashion, with a Bishop on each side, who was immediately followed by Count Esterhazy, Palatin of the Kingdom; Count Stephen Zirkki, Supreme Judge; Count Nicholas Erdodi, Ban or Governor of Croatia; Count Jean Drafcoitz, Lord Steward; And Count Serini, Marshal of Hungary. And the King being placed, they began Mass, the Archbishop of Gran officiating Pontifically. At the Epistle, the Palatin and Marshal making their Obeisance to their Imperial Majesties, and the Young King, they conducted him to the Altar, where he made a Confession of his Faith, and then the Archbishop blessed him, and anointed him on his Hand, his Arm, and his Shoulder. After the Unction, the Palatin turning toward the Nobility and People there present, holding forth the Crown, he cryed aloud three, in the Hungarian Tongue, Shall we Crown Joseph Arch

Archduke of Austria, King of Hungary? To which it was as often answer'd, by an Universal Consent, *Let Him be Crowned.* Then the Archbishop put on him the Royal Robe of *St. Stephen*, and girt on his Sword, putting the Scepter into his Hand, and the Crown on his Head, which were delivered to the Archbishop by the Palatin and Marshal, and then he was proclaimed King of *Hungary* by the loud Acclamations of all the Assistants, by the Noise of Drums, Kettle-Drums, Trumpets, and other Warlike Musick; And by the Discharge of the Artillery round the Town and Castle. After that, his Majesty was Re-conducted to his Throne, and *Te Deum* was Sung; which ended, the Archbishop went on with Divine Service; at the Reading of the Gospel, the Emperor stood up, holding his Scepter in one Hand; and the Globe in the other. The New King received the Communion from the Archbishop, who, after the Mass ended, made a Speech in Latin, in which, having in proper terms set forth the great Reason that the whole Kingdom had, in general, to rejoice at the Elevation over them, of a Prince so qualifi'd and accomplish'd, He particularly blessed God, That had been pleas'd to continue him to perform the Sacred Offices on that solemn Occasion; which coming from a Venerable Prelate of 86 Years of Age, who concluded with a passionate *Nunc Dimittis*: As it drew Tears from himself, so it had the same effect on several there present, who could not but be sensibly affected with so grave and suitable a Discourse. The Speech ended, their Imperial Majesties retired, to disrobe themselves, but the King marched on Foot, in Procession, to the *Recollers Church*, where, on a Scaffold erected, he performed the Ceremony of creating Knights of several Nations. Then mounting on Horseback with the Cavalcade already mention'd, and besides the Ten Standards carried by Ten Noblemen, Count *Drafcowitz* bearing the Truncheon, Count *Serini* the Sword, Count *Erdodi* the Dove, the Ban of *Croatia* the Globe, Count *Cziaki* the Scepter, and the Palatin *St. Stephen's Cross*. He marched out of Town at the Port *St. Michael*, where the Regiment of Foot of *Starenberg*, and Count *Palfi's* Regiment of Cuirassiers were drawn up in Battalions and Squadrons, and alighted again before the Convent of the Brothers of *Mercy*, where, on a Throne, and under a State of Cloth of Gold, the King took his Oath, to preserve the Privileges of the Kingdom, in the manner as it had been agreed on, at which the Cannon were again discharged. From thence the King went on Horseback towards another Gate of the City, called, *The Fish-Gate*, near to which he Rid Full Speed, with his Sword drawn, making the Sign of the Cross towards the Four Quarters of the World, as a Token of his Resolution to defend that Kingdom against all its Enemies, from what part soever they should invade it. He was followed to all these Stations, by Officers that threw out Money and Medals amongst the People, with the Inscriptions which have been already mention'd; and then all the Ceremonies being performed, the King returned with the same Pomp to the Castle. It has been thought worthy of Remembrance, as an Expression of an ominous Significancy, which was occasionally spoke by the King on the way to the Castle, when seeing his Robe cover his Sword, he said, in *Italian*, *Let my Sword be seen.* What remain'd to complete the Joy of that Day, was the great Entertainment which was carried on through a good part of the Night, of which it is sufficient to say, that there were Provisions enough to furnish above 200 Tables. And thus this Ceremony concluded, every one seriously congratulating so happy a turn of Affairs; that an unjust War, which in the beginning threaten'd no less than the Ruine of the whole Empire, should in the course of it, produce the Recovery and Uniting of almost all *Hungary*, (after having been dismember'd above 140 years) under the Government of a Prince so able to preserve and enlarge it.

Paris, Jan. 7. They write from *Rome*, That the Pope's being taken ill with a Defluxion had put off the holding of a Consistory; That the Marquis *de Lavardin* had sent, on the 19th Instant, to demand a second Audience; but that Monsieur *M. Giacchi* had returned the same Answer as formerly, and that there appeared no Disposition in his Holiness to depart from his first Resolutions. The Envoys of the Reformed Cantons are return'd home: The ordinary Presents were offer'd them, of Gold Chains and Medals; but they excus'd their not accepting them, that since they had not the Honour to be admitted to his Majesties Presence, they could not receive the customary Gratifications bestow'd on those whose Characters had been acknowledged. It is said that the business they came about is refer'd back to the Determination of the Parliament of *Dijon*, as belonging properly to their Cognizance.

Whitehall, Jan. 3. The King has been Graciously pleas'd, in Consideration of Sir *Roger Strickland's* Long and Faithful Services at Sea, to confer upon him the Honour and Trust of Rear-Admiral of *England*.

Whitehall, Jan. 4. This day the Marquis of *Bedmar*, General of the Horse in *Flanders*, and Envoy Extraordinary from *Spain*, to make the Compliments of Condo-

ance on the Death of Her Highness the late Dutchess of *Modena*, had Audience of His Majesty, being conducted by Sir *Charles Cottrel*, Master of the Ceremonies. He was accompanied by several Persons of great Quality, whom he presented at the same time to His Majesty.

Navy-Office, London, Decemb. 22. To the end that no Persons, Owners of any Woods convertible to *Streight*, *Compass*, or *Knee-Timber*, or *Plank*, fit for the Service of His Majesties Navy, may lose the opportunity of improving the next Season, for Selling and converting of the said Woods to the Purposes aforesaid: These are to Advise the Owners of all such Goods, That the Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesties Navy, are now, and will be, in constant readines, at their Office in *Crunched-Fryars*, London, to receive all Tenders and Proposals that shall be offered them in Writing on that behalf; and to Treat and Contract with any of the said Owners, or others authorised thereto, for the Delivery of the said Goods into His Majesties Yards, upon Terms of Payment to be mutually adjusted, and secured to their full Satisfaction.

Sheriffs for

Anglesey, John Griffiths Esq;
Radnor, Richard Vaughan Esq;

Whereas the Commissioners and Assignees in a Commission of Bankrupt taken out against *Thomas and Samuel Price*, late of London, Goldsmiths, have appointed to meet on Monday the 9th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at *Vernon's Coffee-house* in *St. Bartholomew-lane* behind the Royal Exchange, in order to the farther prosecution of the said Statute: It is desired, That all such Creditors who intend to have benefit by the said Commission, do then meet the said Commissioners to prove their Debts, and pay in their Contribution Money.

Advertisements.

The Library of Monsieur *Massoue*, lately brought into England, containing many rare and valuable Books in most Languages and Faculties, especially great Variety of the Finest Prints and Editions, Published by the Learned and Famed Printers of the World, will be sold, by Auction, on Wednesday, the first of February next, at the *Black Swan* in *St. Pauls Church-yard*, amongst the *Woollen-Drapers*. Catalogues are given by Mr *Bentley* in *Coveut-Garden*, Mr *Mortlock* in *Westminster hall*, Mr *Wilkinson* in *Fleet-street*, Mr *Miller* and Mr *Smith*, at the *Acorn* and *Princes Arms* in *St. Pauls Church-yard*, Mr *Crouch* in *Cornhill*, Booksellers, Mr *Jorien*, French Bookeller in the Strand, Mr *St. John* Goldsmith in *Lombard-street*, Mr *Clement* in *Oxford*, and Mr *Hall* in *Cambridge*.

A Catalogue of Latin and English Books of Divinity, History, Physick, Travels, Volumes of Tracts and Plays, &c. will be sold, by Auction, on Monday next, the 9th Instant, at *Wellington's Coffee-house* on the Back-side of the Royal Exchange, between the Crown Tavern and the Ship Tavern in *Threadneedle Street*, where the Books are to be seen, and Catalogues distributed Gratis to all Persons unprovided.

On the 30th of December last, Run away from Mr. *Thomas Dymock* at the *Lyon Office* in the Tower, a black Boy, with about 10 l. in Silver, and one Guinea; he is aged about 16, wore three coloured Coats, two grey, his uppermost Cloak of a colour, lined with black, black Shaag Facings on the Sleeves, grey Stockings, a silver Collar about his Neck, Esgraven, *Thomas Dymock* at the *Lyon Office*. Whoever shall apprehend him, and bring him to the *Lyon Office* in the Tower, shall have two Guinea's Reward, and Charges bore. He speaks but bad English, and hath holes in both his Ears.

On Tuesday in *Christmas Week*, a Shop was Broke open near *Somerset-houfe*, and several Goods taken away by one *Joseph Woolams*, who is a tall black Man, hook nosed, long chin, down-look, wears his own hair. Whoever apprehends him, and gives Notice to Mr. *Hughes* at the *Three White Lyons* near the *Maypole* in the Strand, shall have Ten Guinea's Reward.

On the 4th of December last, Trayed or stolen out of the Grounds of *Gyles Dent Esq;* at *Short Grove-hall* near *Saffron walden* in *Essex*, a dark iron grey Gelding about 14 hands, a small steel Lock on his Foot, with the Name of *Gyles Dent Esq;* on it, all his paces, or 5 years old. Whoever gives Notice of him to *Gyles Dent Esq;* aforesaid, or to *Richard Tonson* at *Grays-Inn-gate*, shall have a Guinea Reward.

On Edward *Randall*, a thick short Man, aged about 30, with lank brown Hair, a round Visage, somewhat warthy, run from his Master *William Normand* of *Westminster* Gent. the first Instant, and took with him a Coach figured 225, the Panels being painted with Flowers. Also two brown bay Stone-horses, one having a bald Face. One other bright bay Stone-horse, and a bright bay Gelding, about 14 hands each; with divers other Goods of value. Whoever gives Notice of him to Mr. *Richard Dennett* at the *Wind-Mill Inn* in *Peter Street* *Westminster*, shall have a Guinea Reward, and Charges bore.

Stolen the 23d of Decemr last, from Mr. *Heath* of *Rygate* in *Surrey*, a bay Mare, one Eye blind, Snow-brain'd on one of her fore-legs, Bob tail, a Shorn-mane. Whoever gives Notice of her to Mr. *Stevens* at the *Unicorn Inn* in *Southwark*, or to Mr. *Rayner* in *Ludgate-street*, shall have a Guinea Reward.