

sent by the Meeting of the Estates of Scotland, with an Offer of the Crown of that Kingdom to Their Majesties, they accordingly, at 3 of the Clock, met at the Council-Chamber, and from thence were Conducted, by Sir Charles Cottrel, Master of the Ceremonies, attended by most of the Nobility and Gentry of that Kingdom, who reside in and about this place, to the Banqueting-house; Where the King and Queen came, attended by many Persons of Quality, the Sword being carried before them by the Lord Cardross, (and Their Majesties being placed on the Throne under a rich Canopy,) they first presented a Letter from the Estates to His Majesty; Then the Instrument of Government; Thirdly, a Paper containing the Grievances which they desired might be Redressed; And lastly, an Address to His Majesty for turning the Meeting of the said Estates into a Parliament: All which being Sign'd by his Grace the Duke of Hamilton, as President of the Meeting, and read to Their Majesties; The King returned to the Commissioners the following Answer.

When I engaged in this Undertaking, I had particular Regard and Consideration for Scotland, and therefore I did emit a Declaration in relation to that, as well as to this Kingdom, which I intend to make good and effectual to them: I take it very kindly that Scotland hath expressed so much Confidence in, and Affection to Me; They shall find Me willing to Assist them in every thing that concerns the Well and Interest of that Kingdom, by making what Laws shall be necessary for the Security of their Religion, Property and Liberty, and to ease them of what may be justly grievous to them.

After which the Coronation Oath was tendered to Their Majesties, which the Earl of Argyll spoke Word by Word distinctly, and the King and Queen repeated it after him, holding Their Right Hands up after the manner of taking Oaths in Scotland.

The Meeting of the Estates of Scotland did Authorise their Commissioners, to represent to His Majesty, That that Clause in the Oath, in relation to the rooting out of Hereticks, did not import the destroying of Hereticks; and that by the Law of Scotland no Man was to be persecuted for his private Opinion; And even obstinate and convicted Hereticks were only to be denounced Rebels or Outlawed, whereby their Movable Estates are Confiscated. His Majesty at the repeating that Clause in the Oath, did declare, *That he did not mean by these Words, that he was under any Obligation to become a Persecutor: To which the Commissioners made Answer, That neither the Meaning of the Oath, or the Law of Scotland, did import it.* Then the King replied, *That he took the Oath in that Sense,* and called for Witnesses the Commissioners and others present; And then both Their Majesties Sign'd the said Coronation Oath. After which the Commissioners, and several of the Scotch Nobility, kiss'd Their Majesties Hands.

Hampton-Court, May 14. The Baron de Goers, Envoy Extraordinary from his Highness the Landgraves of Hesse Cassel, had the 12th instant, his first Audience of the King and Queen, to make the Compliment of Congratulation to Their Majesties upon Their happy Accession to the Crown; Being Conducted by Sir Charles Cottrel Master of the Ceremonies. His Majesty went from hence this morning for Portsmouth.

Whitehall, May 14. The 11th instant the Sieur de Schmettau, Envoy Extraordinary from the Elector of Brandenburg, had Audience of his Royal Highness Prince, George, and this day of her Royal Highness the Princess Ann of Denmark; Conducted by the Master of the Ceremonies.

Whitehall, May 15. Yesterday his Grace Frederick Duke of Mecklenburg, General of His Majesties Forces, and Master-General of the Ordnance; And the Right Honorable William Earl of Devonshire, Lord Steward of His Majesties Household; were Installed at Windsor Knights Companions of the most Noble Order of the Garter, by the Earl of Bedford, and the Bishops of *Salisbury* and *Oxford*; Three Knights of the Order, Commissioned thereunto by the Sovereign; (At which Solemnity the Earl of *Rochester*, another Knight of the said Order, was also present;) which being performed with all the accustomed Ceremonies, they proceeded from St.

George's Chapel up to the Castle in great Order, being all of them in their full Habits; And shortly after repaired to the King's Guard Chamber, where a most splendid Entertainment was served up on Four Oval Tables, at the first whereof sat the Duchesses, and Ladies of the best Quality; At the Second the Six Knights of the Order, with the Foreign Ministers and Noblemen; At the Third, other Ladies of Quality; And at the Fourth the Officers of the Order, and divers Persons of Quality: And just before the 2d Course, Garter King of Arms proclaimed in French the Stiles of the Two New Installed Knights with the usual Ceremony.

Whereas a Dreadful Fire has lately utterly destroyed New Alresford in the County of Southampton, by Occasion whereof loose and wandering People may pretend Passes, or otherwise ask Alms, up and down the Kingdom: We the late Inhabitants of the said Town, hoping for a seasonable Relief in a Regular way, do here signify, That some of Us either do or will take any such undue Courses for a Supply in this our great Necessity. And we desire, that all such Vagabonds, though they should pretend to have Passes, or other Testimonials, may be used as the Law requires.

Advertisements.

** The True Interests of the Princes of Europe, in the present State of Affairs: Or Reflections upon a Pamphlet written in French, Entituled, A Letter from Monsieur to Monsieur, Concerning the Transactions of the Times. Printed for R. Baldwin at the Black Bull in the Old-Baily

↳ *Hibernia Anglicana, Or the History of Ireland,* from the Conquest thereof to this present time, with a large Introduction concerning the Ancient State and Religion of that Kingdom, and a new and exact Map of the same; By Richard Cox Esq; Recorder of King's Bench; and now published. Printed for Joseph Watts at the Angel in St. Paul's Church-yard.

↳ *The Princess of Cleve.* As it was Acted at the Queen's Theatre in Dorset-Garden. Written by Nath. Lee Esq. Printed for Abel Roper at the Bell in Fleet Street.

V Hereas the Persons hereafter named, lately deserted the Earl of Oxford's Regiment, viz George Ekins of Newberry in Berks, of my Lord's Troop. William Penn of Stony-stratford, of Sir Francis Compton's Troop. John Lucas of Warwickshire, Anthony Doodworth of Yorkshire, of Major Boads Troop. John Clackston a Cheshire man, of Capt. Tooke's Troop. Griffith Bowen of Kingstons, Thomas Barricott, of Capt. Lucys Troop. John Fetherlith, Corporal, Monk Davenport, William Davenport, Richard Winch, of Captain Selby's Troop. Whoever gives notice of any of them to William Wallis Esq; next door to the two black Posts in Great Suffolk-street, shall be well rewarded, besides the Charges.

R U N away from the Prince of Brandenburg's Regiment, out of Capt. Packmoor's Company, Leonard Van Gavel, Barnt Van Grave, Brothers, and John Stroes, all Dutchmen, two of them having grey Coats lined with blue, and the other in a Seaman's Habit. Whoever secures them, and gives Notice to Col. Packmoor at Mr. Bliths at Paddington, shall be well rewarded, and have their Charges.

S Tolen the 14th instant from William Brownlowe Esq; a large silver Basin and Beer, graved with a double Coat, the one a Lyon Rampant, the other a Lyon Rampant between 8 cross Croislets, a lesser Basin, Plates, a large Mouneth, a silver Head of a Porters staff, with several other pieces of Plate, with 2 Coats join'd, one a Elcocheon of pretence between 8 Mantellets, the other a Lyon Rampant; several silver hasted Knives, steel Forks, Spoons, and Trécher salts, with the Crest a Greyhound, on a Cap of Maintenance; other Spoons with a Lyon Rampant issuing out of a Mural Crown; a Lace 3 quarters deep, with several other parcels of Poin; and other Lace. Whoever discovers the aforesaid Things, so that they may be recovered, to Col. Fran. Child or Partner, Goldsmith, at Temple Bar, shall have 50 Guinea's, or proportionable for what shall be discovered.

L OST, the 14th instant, a Diamond Taz, set with 14 Diamonds. Whoever brings it to Mr. John son, Goldsmith, at the 3 Flower de Lucies in Cheapside, shall have 3 Guinea's Reward.

L OST the 15th instant between Lincoln's Inn and Serjeants-Inn in Fleetstreet, a Paper containing in it, three Manuscripts importing a Will, if any one has taken it up, the Party is desired to bring it to Mr. Eyles in Chancery Buildings, over against Lincoln's Inn in Chancery lane, shall be well rewarded.

A Black Nag, and a grey Nag with some Fleabites, secured by the Bailiff of Southwark which were taken in the possession of Will. Bue and Tho. Welser, (who are committed to the Common Goal of the County of Surrey for Robbery) and which are supposed to be stolen will be delivered to their right Owners, when found, paying for their Meas.

V Viliam Egerton of A Stock, between Willow and Buckingham in Berks, went from his Horse to a distracted Condition on the 25th p M, having a black Hair, a dark aged Coat, blue Eeches, curled brownish Hair, a Scar in the left Cheek, and a Stammering Speech. Whoever gives Notice of him to Mr. John Musker at the Unicorn in Buckingham, or to the Parson of Adstock, shall have a Guinea Reward, and Charges.