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## A PROCLAMATION

For prolonging and appointing the time for the first general Meeting of Their Majesties Commissioners for executing the Act of Parliament lately made for Granting to Their Majesties an Aye of Twelve Pence in the Pound for one Year, and for Authorizing and Impowering the respective Commissioners to Proceed and act accordingly.

WILLIAM R.

**W**illiam and Mary by the Grace of God King and Queen of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defenders of the Faith, &c. To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting. Whereas and by one Act lately made in Parliament, (Entituled, An Act for a Grant to Their Majesties of an Aye of Twelve Pence in the Pound for one Year, for the necessary Defence of Their Realms.) And by an Additional Act also lately made in Parliament, for appointing Commissioners for executing the other Act aforesaid, it hath been Provided, That it should and might be Lawfull for Us to Issue or cause to be issued out, under the Great Seal of England, such and so many Commissions as We should think fit, and therein and thereby to Nominate, Constitute and Appoint such and so many Persons being qualified, as in the said Acts or either of them is prescribed or directed, as We should think convenient to be Commissioners, for putting in Execution the said Act of Parliament, for Granting unto Us the said Sum of Twelve pence in the Pound, which said Commissioners so as aforesaid to be Nominated and Appointed, were, and are, by the said Acts, or one of them, directed and enjoyned in the Respective Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Divisions, Towns and Places, for which they should be appointed Commissioners, respectively to meet together at the most usual or common place of Meeting within each of the said Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Divisions, Towns or Places respectively, at or before the third day of this Instant September, or such other Day as We should Appoint; and further to do, perform and execute, as in and by the said Acts, or one of them, is Required and Comanded, and as by the same (relaion being thereunto respectively had) may more fully appear. And whereas We have Issued, or are now Issuing, under Our Great Seal of England, several Commissions for executing the Act of Parliament for the Aid aforesaid. But it being necessary, that (pursuant to the Power given Us in the same Act) a further time be appointed for the first General Meeting of the said Commissioners, We have thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, to Appoint, and We do by these Presents Appoint the Respective Commissioners by Us Nominated and Constituted, or to be Nominated and Constituted for the Execution of the said Acts or either of them, in the respective Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Divisions, Towns and Places, for which they are or shall be appointed Commissioners, respectively to meet together at the most usual or common places of Meeting within each of the said Counties, Cities, Boroughs, Divisions, Towns and Places respectively, at or before the Thirtieth Day of this Instant September, And We do hereby Direct, Authorise and Command the said Commissioners, or so many of them, as by the said Acts, or either of them, are requisite, not only at the first General Meetings, to be at or before the said Thirtieth Day of this Instant September as aforesaid, but at all other Times, and in all Cases and Respects whatsoever, to proceed and to act, do, perform and execute, and to cause to be done, performed and executed, all Matters and Things whatsoever, by the said Acts or either of them authorized, entrusted or impowred, to be acted done, performed or executed, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the same. And these Presents shall be to them and every of them a sufficient Warrant and Discharge in this Behalf.

Given at Our Palace at Hampton-Court the Second Day of September 1689. In the First Year of Our Reign.

From the Camp before Mentz, September 2. The 24th of the last month we continued to work on several Mines, in order to blow up the Palisadoes planted on the top of the Glacis of the Counterscarp. The 27th the Imperialists threw a great many Bombes into the Counterscarp, and the night following sprang a Mine at the left Angle of the Attack of the Covered Way, and made a lodgment there. The Prince Palatin of Welfentz was mortally wounded in the Trenches. The 26th we continued to sap the Glacis of

the Counterscarp, and secured our two new Redoubts with Palisadoes. The 27th four Deserters reported, that our Bombes and Carcasses had done great execution, and that there were 1500 wounded in the Town. The great Battery of 36 Pieces of Cannon and 10 Mortars at the Saxon and Bivarian Attack was finished this day. The 28th at six in the morning it began to play upon the Town and the Citadel, the Elector of Bavaria having ordered, that all the Musketers should first give 3 Volleys, and that at each Volley 8 Bombes should be shot into the Place, which was performed with the sound of Trumpets, Kettledrums, and Hautboys. At the same time the Imperialists and Lunenburgers made a great fire from their Batteries, as did likewise the Bavarians from another Battery of 48 Pieces of Half Cannon. The Enemy answered with their Cannon and Hautboys from their Ramparts. The night following we continued our Works at both Attacks. The Imperialists advanced with sapping above 60 paces on the right and left. And the Bavarians made a Line of Communication to their great Battery, and a new place of Arms. The 29th the Elector of Bavaria went to the Duke of Lorraine's Quarters, and viewed the Works on that side. We discovered 1500 of the Enemies Mines; and our Batteries play'd very fiercely upon the Balistons of St. James, St. Martin, Alexander, and Boufface, as also the Curtains. The 30th one of our Bombes set fire to another parcel of Hand Granadoes, which the Enemy had brought together on the Counterscarp. The Saxons began another Battery of 12 Half Cannon. The 31 a Defenter came out of the Town, and reported, that the Garrison which at the beginning of the Siege consisted of 8000, was now hardly 5000 fighting Men; but that they had Ammunition enough. The Bavarians brought five Pieces of Cannon to bear upon the Counterscarp. Yesterday the Enemy sprang a great Mine on the right of the Lunenburg Attack, but it did no harm. Our Miners went about an hour after to view it, but the Enemy made so great a smother that they had like to have been stifled. They have begun another Mine on the left hand, which we are countermaining. Our Cannon have made great Breaches; so that we are now preparing for a Storm. We hear that the Duke of Duras intends to attempt the Relief of the place; If he does, we do not doubt but to give him a good reception.

Francfort, September 4. The Duke of Duras, who was according to our last advice encamped at Lichtenaue with 18000 Men, but many of them sick, makes Preparations for the relieving of Mentz, which by the Boats he is arming, he seems resolved to attempt by Water; and the Imperialists to hinder his design, are laying Chains across the River not far from their Bridge of Boats, filling the Rhine with Flores, &c. An Exprels come this day from the Camp before Mentz, says, that their Cannon had made such large breaches, that they could see into the Streets of the Town, and that we shall now quickly hear of their storming it. Duke Christian of Saxony was killed last night in the Trenches. The Duke of Hanover sends a Body of his Troops to join the Army before Mentz.

Cologne, September 6. The Marriage of the King of Spain with the Princess Palatin was solemnized at Neubourg on the 28th past, the King of Hungary representing the person of the King of Spain on this occasion. The Elector of Brandenburg continues with his Forces before Bonn; but the Dutch Cavalry is marched towards the Meuse.

Hamborgh, September 6. The 8000 Men which the Duke of Hanover was to have sent to Flanders, are upon the instances of the Count de Martinitz, the Imperial Minister, on their march to join the Confederate Army before Mentz, where the said Duke intends to command them in Person.

From the Spanish Camp at Odrigny, Sep. 7. Our Governor General having on the 31 past joined the Prince of Flandermont at Harbebecke, he continued his march with a resolution to force the Line the French had made between

the *Lys* and the *Scheld*; but Monsieur *Calvo*, who was posted near *Ménil*, to cover it, having advice thereof, decamped the 5th Instant, and retired towards *Tournay*; and our Forces thereupon entered into the Enemies Works, where they found four Barrels of Powder, and six Tun of Beer which they had left behind them. Yesterday some of our Troops meeting a French Party killed 7, and took 30 Prisoners. This morning several Parties were sent out towards *Lille* to raise Contributions; And his Excellency has summoned in the Boores of several Villages within the French Territories to demolish the said Works. Monsieur *Calvo* before his retreat sent a Detachment to plunder and burn *Courtruy*, but was prevented by the Prince of *Vaudemont*.

*Brussels*, September 7. Our Forces being become Masters without any opposition of the Enemies Intrenchments between *Ménil* and *Pont Esperies*, have begun to set the Country on that side under Contribution, which will amount to a great Sum. The Dutch Army repass'd the *Sambre* the 1st Instant, and are now encamped along that River, having their Head Quarter at *Montigny*, and their right reaching within half a mile of *Charlewoy*. The *Marschal d'Humieres* is encamped at *Gerpines*; some of his Troops advanced yesterday to *Chasselet*, where they raised a Battery, and fired into the Dutch Camp, but *Prince Waldecke* having likewise caused several Pieces of Cannon to be planted against them, they retired about noon; of the Dutch there were five Soldiers killed, but we know not what loss the Enemy sustained. The *Marschal d'Humieres* has sent a Detachment of 8000 Men to reinforce the Duke of *Duras* on the *Rhine*, and to supply their room has drawn ten Battalions out of the French Garisons in *Flanders*. We hear from *Spain*, that the *Moors* have besieged *La Roche* in *Africa*.

*Hague*, September 9. The States General have ordered 8 Frigats to be forthwith fitted out for the security of our Coasts. This morning arrived here an Express, with advice, that the new Queen of *Spain* parted from *Nieubourg* the 2d Instant, and that she will be the 16th at *Duiseldorpe*; whereupon Orders have been sent to the Admiralties to hasten away the Yachts of this State that are to attend her Majesty there. *Prince Waldecke* has repass'd the *Sambre*, for want of Forage.

*Paris*, September 10. We have an account from our Army in *Flanders*, that *Prince Waldecke* repass'd the *Sambre* on the 1st Instant between *Charlewoy* and *Chasselet*, and encamped his Army along that River as far as *Namur*, having his Head Quarter at *Montigny*. That the *Marschal d'Humieres* was encamped at *Gerpines*; from whence the Troops of the Kings Household, with the two Battalions of *Normandy*, and that of the *Royal Marine* parted the 3d Instant, to join the Forces commanded by the Duke of *Duras* on the *Rhine*, who has orders to relieve *Mentz*. That on the 5th at night the first Line of the French Army advanced with 30 Pieces of Cannon, and raised two Batteries, one of 10 Pieces overagainst the right of the Enemies Camp, and another of 20 Pieces overagainst *Montigny* on the *Sambre*. The Enemy raised likewise Batteries, and the next day the Cannon began to play on both sides; There were on ours 9 or 10 Men killed and wounded. They write from *Lisse*, that upon the news of the Governor of *Flanders* advancing towards the Lines or Intrenchments that have been made to cover our Frontiers from *Masbeuge* as far as the Sea, *Monsieur Calvo* drew his Men from thence, and retired to *Pont a Tressin* near *Tournay*. We hear from *Catalonia*, that the Duke of *Noailles* had put 1100 Men into *Campredon*, which was attack'd by a small Body of Spanish Troops, who thereupon retired; and that he had afterwards withdrawn the Garrison, and blown up the Castle.

*Edinburgh*, August 29. Since the last defeat of the Rebels by the Lord *Angus's* Regiment, the Highlanders are all dispersed and gone home, and Colonel *Canon* is retired with his Men to *Loughabar*. The Lord *James Murray* and the young Laird of *Ballacon* are come to *St. Johnstons*, and have demanded the Benefit of the Indemnity for themselves, old *Ballacon*, and all the Marquis of *Atbols's* Vassals. And divers Heads of Clans come in daily, and take the Oath of Allegiance. Major General *Mackay* is marched with his Forces towards the Blair of *Atbol*.

*Liverpool*, August 31. Yesterday arrived at *Highlake* about 50 Sail from the Lough of *Carrickfergus*, by whom we have an account, That on the 22d Instant the Trenches were opened against the Town of *Carrickfergus*, and that the Attack was carried on so vigorously, that on the 27th the Garrison was forced to surrender. Our loss was inconsiderable, having had only 10 Men killed. Captain *Richards* the Ingenier was wounded in the Thigh and the Shoulder.

*Chester*, September 2. This day Colonel *Villar's* Regiment of Horse marched to *Highlake* in order to Embark there. The Lord *Hewis's* Regiment is day expected.

*Plymouth*, September 1. The English and Dutch Fleet commanded by the Earl of *Torrington* passed by this Port the 30th past, and is now in *Torbay*, to take in Provisions. This day arrived here the *Ingram* of *London* in five weeks from the *Camaris*.

*Hampton-Court*, September 2. This Evening arrived here an Express from his Grace the Duke of *Schomberg*, with the news of the surrender of the Town and Castle of *Carrickfergus* on the 27th past, upon Articles, after a Siege of four days. That there marched out 2500 Men. And that Major General *Kirke* was arrived with the Forces from *Derry* and *Inishuling* within few hours march of the Dukes Camp.

At the Council-Chamber at *Whitehall* the Third of September, 1689.

It was this day Ordered by the Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee for the Affairs of Ireland, That all Persons that do receive half Pay from His Majesty upon the Irish Establishment, do immediately transport themselves into Ireland, and repair to His Majesties Army under the Command of His Grace the Duke of *Schomberg*, General of His Majesties Forces.

Cha. Montague.

On Wednesday the 28th of August, 1689. the North Mail going out, was betwixt *Kingstand* and *Newington*, about four in the morning, set upon by three middle sized Men on Horseback, two of them being mounted on Black Horses, and the 3d on a Bay bald Horse; And one of them taking the *Pacquet-Horse* by the Bridle, led him and the Post-Boy out of the Highway, to an adjacent by-Lane, where they taking down the grand Mail from the Horse-Back, and opening the same, took out the Scotch Mail, and cutting open the same, they found therein my Lord *Melruil's* Black Box, which they likewise cut open and rifled; after which the said three Men rid away as fast as they could.

On Sunday the first Instant, between five and six of the Clock in the morning, three Persons on Horseback set upon the *Chester* Mail about a Mile beyond *Highgate*, taking the *Pacquet-Horse* and *Pacquet* into an adjacent Wood; but they only broke open the *Leicester* Bag, all the other Bags remaining sealed. A Gentleman riding Post with the Mail, was likewise taken into the Wood, they blinding him and the Post-Boy whilst they robbed them. These Persons were Mounted as followeth: One of them on a bald Sorrel Horse, with three white Feet, and about twelve hands high; this Person had in him a loose *Cambler-Coat*, and under it a grey close-bodied Coat. The second in a whitish close-bodied Coat, with a brown bob Periwig, and a Steel-blited Sword, mounted on a bay Horse about 12 or 13 Hands high. The third in a grey course loose Coat, mounted on a brown bay Horse, seeming to be a Cart-Horse, about 13 hands high. Whoever gives notice of the said Robbers to the General Letter Office at *London*, shall be very well Rewarded.

#### Advertisements.

On Tuesday the 10th of this Instant, at the Auction-Booth in Cook's Row in *Sturbridge-Fair*, near *Cambridge*, will be sold by Auction a Collection of Curious Prints, Paintings, &c. by the best Masters of Europe, together with many Choice and Valuable Books of Meddals, Statues, Architecture, Geography, (of the Roman and Greek Antiquities great Variety) designed for the Accommodation and Entertainment of the Gentlemen of the University, &c. by *Edw. Millington*. Catalogues are given from the *Coste-Houses* in *Cambridge*, and the Paintings, Books, &c. may be seen a Munday at the place of sale.

On the 9th Instant will be sold by Auction a very good Collection of English and Latin Books, in all Volumes, and on most Subjects, at the 3 Half Moons in *St. Paul's Church-Yard* among the *Woolen-Drapers*. Catalogues may be had at *Mr. Nott's* in the *Pall-Mall*, at *Mr. Welds* betwixt the two *Temple* Gates, at *Mr. Manships* against the *Royal Exchange*, and at the place of sale every afternoon.

On Tuesday the First day of October next, there is to be, at *Newmarket*, a Gold Tumbler of 100 l. value, to be Run for, 3 Heats, 12 Stone weight; Gentlemen to Ride.

Taken the 22d past, at night, from the Dutchess of *Mazarine*, 15 Silver Trencher Plates, a large Silver Candlestick weighing about 30 ounces, a lesser Candlestick weighing about 20 ounces; all marked with a Cypher triangle-ways, being O. H. with a Ducal Coronet over each. If any such be offered to be sold, pawn'd, or val'd, you are desired to stop them and the Party, and give speedy notice to *Mr. Peter Harache*, Goldsmith, at *Suffolk-street* Corner, and you shall have 15 Guineas Reward.

Taken or Prayed out of a Close on the back side of *Mr. Harris's* House at *Eltham* in *Kent*, on the 21st past, a black Gelding above 14 hands, with a Star in his Forehead, bob Tail, all his Paces, full aged. Whoever gives notice of him to *Mr. Harris* afore said, or to *Mr. Hugh Stroud*, Merchant, in *Pudding-Lane*, *London*, shall have 20 s. Reward.