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Whitehall, December 14.

THE following Address, Signed by the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, several Aldermen, the Sheriffs, with a great number of the most Eminent Merchants in and about the City of London, was presented to His Majesty in His Bed-Chamber, by William Cranmer Esq; (being introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Monmouth) which His Majesty received very graciously, and as a Mark of His Royal Favour, was pleased to Confer upon the said William Cranmer the Honour of Knighthood.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty,

The Humble Address of divers English Merchants in about the City of London.

AS God Almighty by His Providence, hath preserved Your Royal Majesty in Your glorious Undertaking of Rescuing our Religion, Laws, Liberties, and Properties, which were on the brink of destruction, and seated Your Sacred Majesty on the Royal Throne, so we in particular manner cannot but with all gratitude acknowledge Your Majesties great Wisdom and Goodness in restoring to us Your Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, our Ancient Legal Rights and Priviledges, by Your Majesties Gracious Order in Council dated the 14th of October last, Ordering the Levying and Collecting all such Duties as by Law are payable for all Goods of the Native Product and Manufacture of this Kingdom that shall be Exported by Strangers, notwithstanding the Order in Council of the late King James, dated the Twenty Second of January 1685, or any other Direction to the contrary.

Give us Leave therefore, Dread Sovereign, humbly to represent to Your Sacred Majesty, that the Alien Duty both inward and outward, was long since erected to secure the Trade of this Nation to the English Merchants, (whose Interest and Aim it is to Advance the same) as the Act of Navigation was to encourage and increase our English Shipping, which we humbly conceive must needs be lost if not equally maintained, And by that means Your Majesty will not only preserve both those great Concerns to the Nation, but also revive an ancient Revenue belonging to the Crown, and enable us and all Your English Merchants in this Kingdom to Trade upon equal terms with Aliens, and raise again our Factories into their former Reputation, which otherwise we cannot do.

That the great God of Heaven, by whom Kings Reign and Princes Decree Justice, may always Conduct Your Majesty in this World, and afterwards receive You into His Everlasting Mansions in the World to come, is and shall be the Cordial and Constant Devout Prayers of,

Your Majesties most Loyal, Dutiful, Thankful, and most Obedient Subjects and Servants.

Venice, Decemb. 3. Several Vessels are arrived here this week from the Levant, and bring an account, that our Troops continue to block up very closely the Fortrefs of Napoli di Malvasia; and that General Cornaro had sent a Squadron of Men of War to observe the Captain Bassa, who, as he heard, was making Preparations for to Relieve that place. The advices from Dalmatia say, that the Turks had demolished the Forts on the Frontiers of the Province of Trebignie, which we told you in our last, the Venetians had been obliged to surrender to

them. The Pope has given this Republick Leave to raise 4000 Men within the Ecclesiastical State for the War against the Turks.

Genoa, Decemb. 6. The Cardinal of Furstemberg arrived here on the 30th past, accompanied with 3 or 4 Persons, from Rome; being himself in the Habit of a Knight of Malta; He went directly to the House of the French Resident, and parted again the next day on a Genoese Ship, which was hired to carry him to Provence.

Milan, Decemb. 4. The Troops of this State are going into their Winter-Quarters; And part of the Cavalry is returned to Pavia; whither the Cannon has been likewise brought from the Army, which was encamped at Casalmaggiore. But several Regiments of Foot are to remain there till the Fortifications of Guastalla are quite demolished. We have an account from Rome, that the Pope had made Dom Antonio Ottoboni General of the Church, and Don Marco Governor of the Castle of St. Angelo, and General of his Gallies.

Warsaw, Novemb. 23. The Court continues still at Zolkiew. The Letters from Moscow of the 23d of the last month, confirm all the particulars of the Conspiracy against the youngest Czar; That Prince Galitzen, by whom it was chiefly carried on, was Banished into Siberia; and that the Eldest of the Czars, Prince Peter, had resigned the whole Authority to his Brother, Prince John, with a resolution to retire to a private Life.

Vienna, Decemb. 15. On Monday last General Count Guada Staremberg arrived here from Bulgaria; He says, the Imperial Troops were gone into their Winter-Quarters, and that Prince Louis of Baden intended to follow him in few days. They write from Upper Hungary, that the Regiment of Dragoons of Lewensich's was arrived in the Camp before Great Waradin, and that several Persons who came lately out of the place, had confirmed what was reported by those that had heretofore deferred, concerning the ill condition of that Garrison, through the want they were in of all things necessary for their subsistence. The Garrison of Camisa, as we understand as well by an intercepted Letter from the Bassa of that place, to the Bassa of Bosnia, as by Deserters, is likewise reduced to the last necessity.

Ausburgh, Decemb. 15. This day the Electors met for the first time at the Town-House, the absence of those of Brandenburg and Saxony being supplied by their Plenipotentiaries, who had some days before according to the usual form communicated their Powers to the Elector of Mentz, Director of the Electoral Colledge. The Emperor has given the Count de Veterani the Government of Nissa, with the Command of the Imperial Forces that were lately under the Orders of the Count de Piccolomini, who died the 10th of the last month at Prisseran in Albania; And General Heuster is appointed to Command in Valachia and Transylvania during the absence of Prince Louis of Baden. We are told, that the Emperor intends to return with the whole Court to Vienna towards the end of the next Month. Signior Castelm is shortly expected here in the Quality of Nuncio Extraordinary from the Pope.

Francfort, Decemb. 21. The Marschal de Lorge having sent a Reinforcement to Philipsbourg; and visited the Garrisons of Humingen, Neustadt, Landau, and Fort-Luis is returned to Strasbourg. We hear that four Bavarian Regiments, two of Foot, one of Horse,

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and one of Dragons, are on their march towards *Swi*, where they are to remain in Garrison.

Hamburg, Decemb. 20. The Princes of *Lunen- burg* have given out Commissions for the raising of several new Regiments; and have ordered Magazines to be provided in the places, which they are possessed of, in the Dutchy of *Saxe-Lawemburg*. In the meantime the Ministers of the Allies are endeavouring to find out an Expedient for the accomodating this Affair.

Cologne, Decemb. 23. On the 17th Instant a French Party of about 2000 Horse, of the Garrisons of *Tier*, *Eckternach*, and *Luxemburg*, came into the Country of *Juliers*, and burnt ten Villages between *Kerpen*, *Zulpich*, and *Munster-Effelst*; after which they retired, but left divers of their Company behind them, who were killed or taken Prisoners by the Country People, and the Troops of *Neubourg* sent out from the Town of *Juliers*. On the 20th the Enemy being reinforced by another Party from *Montroyal*, and making together about 2500, entered into the Country of *Effelst*, where they burnt six or seven Villages; But understanding that General *Spaen* had drawn together a Body of the Forces of *Brandenburg* and *Neubourg*, and that he was on his march towards *Duren*, (where he arrived the 21th) they retired in great haite towards *Montroyal*. General *Spaen* returned thereupon to the Head-Quarter at *Nuis*; And several thousand Men of the Confederate Troops are ordered to Quarter in the *Effelst* for the security of that Country.

Hague, Decemb. 27. On the 22d Instant Admiral *Ruffel* arrived with the Ships under his command at *Elshering*; whereof advice being brought hither by an Express, the Spanish Envoy Don *Coopma* repaired immediately to *Dort*; and on the 25th in the afternoon the Queen of *Spain* parted from thence, in order to Embark, being attended by the Heere *Kon Duynvoorden*, *Haven*, and *Zemker*, as Deputies of this State. The Deputies of the Admiralties have had divers Conferences with those of the States General concerning the Naval Preparations for the next year. The Count de *Salmes*, who arrived here the 24th Instant from *England*, is gone for *Germany*.

Paris, Decemb. 24. This week was published here a Declaration, containing in substance, That whereas a great quantity of Gold and Silver hath been by private Persons converted into all sorts of unnecessary Utensils and Furniture to the great prejudice of the Commerce of this Kingdom, which very much suffers through the want of Currant Money, the King, to remedy the same, Commands, That the Ordonnances of the years 1672, and 1687, shall be executed with all rigor; and forbids all Goldsmiths, and others working on Gold or Silver, to make and expose to sale any work of Gold, exceeding the weight of an Ounce; as also to make or sell any Balusters, Frames of Chairs, Cabinets, Tables, and other the like Works of Silver, on pain of Confiscation of the same, and forfeiting 6000 Livres for the first fault, and of Corporal Punishment for the second. All Persons are likewise required to bring all such prohibited Works of Silver which they have in their Houses to the Mint before the last day of *January*, to be converted into Money; where they shall be paid after the rate of 29 Livres 10 Sols for every Marc (which is the weight of 8 Ounces) of plain Plate, and 29 Livres for raised Plate having the Mark of *Paris*.

Newcastle, Decemb. 17. The laden Fleet of Colliers sailed on Wednesday last out of *Tiermouth-Harbour* under the Convoy of the *Smarra-Mexchare*.

Plimouth, Decemb. 17. Yesterday arrived here Their Majesties Ship, the *Dartmouth*, from *Cath- fergus* in *Ireland*; from whence she came about 10 days ago, but brings no News.

Dover, Decemb. 19. There are now in the Downs, besides the Ships mentioned in my last, the *Berkeley-Castle*, and the *Jersey*, with a great Fleet of Merchant Ships outward bound.

The Post being now settled to go and come three times a week to and from the General Letter-Office in London, to the Town of *Leigh* in *Essex*, and the adjacent Hundreds, by way of *Chelmsford*; This is to Notify, That the said Post will upon Thursday the 26th of this Instant December, begin to go from the General Letter-Office aforesaid, and so successively for the future; and in like manner to return from *Leigh* three times a week, viz. on Mondays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, and Mr. *John Welley* of the Crown at *Leigh* is the Person appointed to receive, send, and distribute all Letters to and from *Leigh* and the aforesaid Hundreds.

Advertisements.

The Clergy of the Diocess of *Norwich* are desired to take notice, that the Sub Collector of the Tithes for that Diocess will be at the several Places upon the several days mentioned at the Foot of every one of his Acquittances for the last year due; Where the several Incumbents are desired to make due Payments respectively, as they will avoid being Returned for their Default, and the Trouble and Charge which they will incur thereby.

Mercurius Reformatus; or the New Observator. Containing Reflections upon the most Remarkable Events falling out from time to time in Europe, and more particularly in England. The First Volume. Treating on the several Subjects mentioned in the Contents at the beginning of the Book. Printed for *Dor- man Newnan* at the King's Arms in the Poultry. Price 2 s. 6 d.

Reflections upon the Conduct of Human-Life, with Reference to the Study of Learning and Knowledge. By *John Harris*, M. A. Rector of *Newton St. Loe*, in *Somersetshire*, near *Bath*; and late Fellow of *All-Souls College* in *Oxford*. To which is annexed a Vindication Sermon by the same Author. Printed for *S. Manby*, at the Black Bull in *Cornhill*.

This is to give notice to the Creditors of *Alderman Backwell*, deceased, That the Trustees and Relations of the said Mr. *Backwell*, (being willing to pay 21 and an half per Cent. of their Principal Debts in Money, and the Remainder Principal and Interest in Assignments upon the perpetual Interest) do desire the said Creditors to meet at the *Swan Tavern* in *Exchange-Alley*, on Thursday the 9th of *January*, in order to consider of a Method that the same may take effect according to a Printed Paper that shall then be delivered to them.

THE Commissioners of a Commission of Bankrupt against *Moses Pitt* of *St. Margarets Westminster*, *Haberdasher*, intend to meet at the *Irish Chamber* in *Guildhall*, *London*, on Wednesday the Eighth of *January* next at Ten in the Forenoon, in order to make a Dividend of his Estate; at which time the Creditors seeking Relief by such Commission are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contributions; otherwise they will be excluded, the time limited by the Law being expired.

William Meneer, a tall slender Lad, thin face, whitely Complexion, lightish Hair, a little curled, in a light coloured Hat, and Drabbery coloured Cloaths, aged about 15, went away the third of *November* last, with a Man about 30 or 40 years old, and another about 19. Whoever gives notice of him to his Relations at *Bewdly* in *Worcestershire*, shall have a good Reward, and what Charges they shall be at intaking care of him; or if he will return to his Parents, he shall be kindly received.

Lost in a Hackney-Coach on Friday last, in the Evening, a Brown Camlet Cloak lin'd with Blue Ratareen. If any Person will give notice of it at the Unicorn in *Turtle-Street*, so as it be recovered, they shall have two Guineas Reward.

Lost in a Hackney Coach on the 5th of *November* last at night, a little black Box of Writings, the Person being taken up at *Grey-Inn*, and set down in *Little-Lombard-Street*. Whoever brings it to Mr. *Philip Ducas* at the *Greyhound* in *Little-Lombard-Street*, shall have a Guinea Reward.

A French Greyhound, about a Foot high, with first great Lead colour'd Spots upon her Back, her Head Lead colour from the Nose to the Forehead, all the rest of her being white; one of her Fore-Legs has been broke in the Joints, and she wants the very end of her Tail. Whoever gives notice of her to *Colonel Cornwall* in *Litchfield-Street* near *Leicester-Fields*, shall have two Guineas Reward.