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Alicant, March 19. N. S.

THE Romney Frigate, Capt. *Loas* Commander, brought in here this day a French Privateer called the *Phoenix* of *Marseilles*, of 20 Guns, 10 Patereroes, and 180 Men.

Barcelona, March 25. This morning were seen from our Cattle 45 Ships in the *Offis*, plying with a contrary Wind to the Westward, which, by a Genouele Bark come in here this afternoon, we understand to be the French Fleet under the Command of Monsieur de *Chasteau-renaut*, who sailed from *Toulon* the 22th of this month, being in all about 60 Sail.

Cadix, March 29. Sir *George Rooke* with the Fleet of English and Dutch Men of War, and Merchant Ships bound to *England*, sailed from hence the 23d Instant with a fair Wind at N. E. but yesterday he returned into this Bay with all the Ships under his command, being put back by the bad Weather and contrary Winds; None of the Ships have suffered any damage, and they will sail again with the first opportunity.

Madrid, April 4. We had yesterday an account from *Cadix*, that Sir *George Rooke* was forced back into that Port by contrary Winds, after having been 5 days at Sea; but that he intended to make use of the first opportunity of Weather to sail again. We have heard nothing of the French Fleet since their being seen the 25th past off *Barcelona*; and in all probability they have felt the effects of the late Storms. Orders are sent to *Cadix* to fit out the Spanish Armada with all expedition. In *Catalonia* they are preparing for the Campaign. The Queen Mother is very much indisposed.

Corunna, April 10. This day arrived in this Port a Ship called the *Santa Theresa* of *Newports*, who came from *Offend* with 6 Ships more bound to *Cadix*, and the 31th past, about 25 Leagues from *Cape Finister*, met with 6 French Men of War, two of them being 3 Deckt Ships, and the others from 50 to 70 Guns; This Ship made her escape, as did likewise another Flyboat called the *Joseph*, but the rest were taken. Here is also arrived an *Offend* Man of War of 24 Guns, in 5 days from that place, having on board the Count of *Bergeycke*, who is gone to *Madrid*.

Paris, April 13. The French King has put off his Journey to *Compeigne*, which was intended for the 30th of this month. The French Guards are ordered to begin their march the 27th Instant towards *Flanders*. Monsieur de *Vauban* is gone to view the Fortifications of our Frontier Places on the *Meuse* and in *Flanders*. We have received no news of the French Fleet since their departure from the *Isles of Hieres*; and the Weather has been so Stormy, and the Winds so contrary, that 'tis believed they have been forced to shelter themselves under the *Island of Majorca* or *Minorca*. They write from *Calais*, that the French Troops intended for the Invasion of *England*, are gone back to their Quarters, and that many of the Transport Vessels that were in that Port, have got away in the night, and are returned to *Havre de Grace* and other Places. We have seen a Mandate which the Bishop of *Soissons* gave our lately within his Diocess, to this effect. That the French King having once more refused to attempt the Restoring the late *K. James* to his Dominions, which he had left for the sake of his Religion, and to that end having ordered his Forces to pass over to *England*, he Requires and Exhorts all his Clergy and others to Pray for the good Success of that Design. The Bishop of *Noyon* did the like within his Diocess; and this has been the Subject of most of the Sermons which the Jesuits and others have made this Lent in and about this City. We have an account, that the Marquis de *Nesmeud* has taken 5 or 6 Ships belonging to *Offend*, who were bound to *Cadix*.

Brussls, April 15. The Forces of the Allies quartered in *Flanders*, are forming a Camp near *Ghent*, and those that lie towards the *Meuse* are to encamp near *Namur*. The *Marschal de Boufflers* arrived the 11th Instant at *Mons* from *Flanders*; The Troops he is to command between the *Sambre* and the *Meuse* begin to move that way; and the *Marschal de Villeroi* who is to command the French Army in *Flanders*, is expected there in the beginning of the next month. We have an account, that a Fire happened at *Charletoy* 5 or 6 days ago, which burnt down all the Upper Town except 4 or 5 Houses. The Prince of *Vaudemont* is gone to the *Bath* of *Aix la Chapelle*.

Hague, April 17. N. S. The *Henrietta* and *Navy Vacht*, with their Convoy the *Lincoln* and *Severn*, arrived at *Helveedhuys* the 10th Instant; and the *Venerian* Ambassadors are gone to the *Briel*, in order to Embark for *England* with the first fair Wind. The Letters

from *Ghent* tell us, that the 11 Companies of *Bellasis* and *Erle's* Regiments, which were taken in their passage to *England*, and carried to *Dunkirke*, are released and come to *Bruges*. The Duke of *Wittemberg* is arrived with the Forces from *England* at *Yere* in *Zealand*, The Fleet of Merchant Ships that sailed the last week out of the *Macle* for *England*, with 7 Dutch Men of War commanded by Vice-Admiral *Callenburg*, are forced back again to *Helveedhuys*.

Kensington, April 9. His Grace the Duke of *Ormond* was this day, by His Majesty's Command, Sworn one of the Lords of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, and accordingly took his place at the Board.

Westminster, April 10. The King came this day to the House of Peers, attended with the usual Solemnity; and being in His Royal Robes, seated on the Throne, and the Commons being sent for up, His Majesty gave the Royal Assent to

An Act for Granting to His Majesty several Rates or Duties upon Houses, for making good the Deficiency of the Clipp'd Money.

An Act for Granting to His Majesty an Additional Duty upon all French Goods and Merchandize.

An Act for the Continuing, Meeting, and Sitting of a Parliament, in Case of the Death or Demise of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors.

An Act to Continue Four former Acts for Preventing Thefts and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of *England*.

An Act for Raising the Militia of this Kingdom for the Year One thousand six hundred ninety-six, although the Month's Pay formerly advanced, be not Repayed.

An Act for the further Regulating Elections of Members to Serve in Parliament, and for the Preventing Irregular Proceedings of Sheriffs, and other Officers, in the Electing and Returning such Members.

An Act for Continuing several former Acts, for Punishing Officers and Soldiers, who shall Mutiny or Desert His Majesty's Service, and for Punishing false Musters, and for Payment of Quarters for ~~two~~ longer.

An Act for the Increase, and Incouragement of Seamen.

An Act for Preventing Frauds, and Regulating Abuses in the Plantation Trade.

An Act to Incourage the bringing Plate into the Mint to be Coined, and for the further Remedying the Ill State of the Coin of the Kingdom.

An Act Requiring the Practicers of Law to take the Oaths, and Subscribe the Declaration therein mentioned.

An Act for Repairing the Highways between *Wymondham* and *Attleborough* in the County of *Norfolk*.

And to Severteen Private Acts.

Kensington, April 12. The Association of the Lord Lieutenant, the Lords and Knights, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, Clergy, Freeholders, and others of the County of *Leicester*, as also of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, Burgesses, Clergy, and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Leicester*, subscribed by above 8500 Hands, was presented to His Majesty by *William Chesling* Esq; High Sheriff, the Knights of the Shire, and the Burgesses for the Town of *Leicester*, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Bedford*, and the Right Honourable the Earl of *Stafford*.

The Association, with an Humble Address, signed by the High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of *Bedford*, was presented by *William Milard* Esq; High Sheriff of the said County, and the Honourable Lord *Edward Russell*, and *William Dmcomb* Esq; their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced to His Majesty by his Grace the Duke of *Bedford*, Lord Lieutenant of the said County; and His Majesty was pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood upon the said *William Milard* Esq;

The Association, with an humble Address, signed by the Mayor, Aldermen, Justices of the Peace, Burgesses, Freeman, and other Inhabitants of the Town of *Bedford*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Bullingbrooke*, and *William Farrer* Esq; one of the Representatives in Parliament for the said Town.

The Association of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough of *Liskard* in *Cornwall*, was presented to His Majesty by *William Bridges* Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Ormond*.

The Association of the Mayor, Deputy Lieutenants, Justice

of the Peace, Sheriffs, Aldermen, Citizens, Commonalty, and other Inhabitants of the City of *Norwich*; as also the Association of the Sheriffs and Grand Inquest for the said City and County; and the Association of the Corporation of Weavers there, were presented to His Majesty by his Grace the Duke of *Norfolk*, and the Members of Parliament for the County of *Norfolk* and the said City.

The Association signed by the High Steward, Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Chichester*, with the Inhabitants of the said City and Suburbs, was presented to His Majesty by his Grace the Duke of *Somerset*, and the Right Honourable the Earl of *Ranelagh*.

The Association signed by the Lieut. Governor of the Town and Garrison of *Kingston upon Hull*, and all others who are particularly Established in the said Garrison, was presented to His Majesty by *Charles Osborne Esq*; Lieutenant Governor, being introduced by my Lord President.

The Association of the Nobility, Gentry, and Principal Freeholders of the County Palatine of *Chesster*, was presented to His Majesty by the Earl of *Rivers* and Earl of *Macclesfield*, the Lord *Cholmondeley*, and the Knights of the Shire, with several other Gentlemen of the County.

The Association of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Common Council, and Freemen of the City of *Burham*, was presented to His Majesty by the Honourable *Charles Mountague*, and *Henry Lydell Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Scarborough*.

The Association of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Common Council, Freemen, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Richmond* in the County of *York*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Marquis of *Winchester*.

The Association of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Huntingdon*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Sandwich* High Steward of that Town, and the Honourable *Richard Mountague Esq*; one of their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the County of *Bucks*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord *Wharton*, and the Members serving in Parliament for the said County.

The Association of the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the ancient Borough of *Aylesbury* in the County of *Bucks*, was presented to His Majesty by *Sir Thomas Lee*, and *James Herbert Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the High Steward, Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Bayliffs, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Corporation of *Chepping Wycombe* in the County of *Bucks*, was presented to His Majesty by *Charles Godfrey*, and *Fleetwood Dorman Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Agmondisham* in the County of *Bucks*, was presented to His Majesty by *Edmund Waller Esq*; one of their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Wendover* in the County of *Bucks*, was presented to His Majesty by *John Backwell*, and *Richard Beake Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Inhabitants of the Borough of *Great Marlow* in the County of *Bucks*, was presented to His Majesty by *James Chase Esq*; one of their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Chief Officers, Gentlemen, Freeholders, and Inhabitants of the Isle of *Wight*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord *Curtis*.

The Association of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Corporation and Town of *Newbery* in the County of *Berks*, was presented to His Majesty by the Mayor and Recorder of the said Corporation.

The Association of the High Steward, Aldermen, Burgesses, Gentlemen, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Malmesbury* in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to His Majesty by the Honourable *Goodwin Wharton*, and *Crawen Howard Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Mayor, Portmen, and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of *Orford* in the County of *Suffolk*, was presented to His Majesty by *Thomas Felton Esq*; one of their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Burgesses, Gentlemen, Clergy, Freemen, and Freeholders of the Borough of *Doncaster* in the County of *York*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord *Fairfax*, and *Sir John Kay*, Knights of the Shire for the said County.

The Association signed by the Nonconforming Ministers and People of *Cumberland* and *Westmorland*, was brought up by *Mr. Cunningham*, and presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord *Wharton*, and *Sir John Lowther of Lowther, Bar*.

The Association of the Borough of *Boston* in the County of *Lincoln*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable *Paragrine Bertie Esq*; Vice-Chamberlain to His Majesty.

The Association and humble Address of the Bayliff, Principal Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of the Town and Cer-

poration of *Buckingham*, was presented to His Majesty by *Sir Richard Temple* Knight of the *Bath*, and *Alexander Denton Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Borough of *St. Albans* in the County of *Hertford*, was presented to His Majesty by *Sir Samuel Grimston*, and *George Churchill Esq*;

The Association of the Bayliff, Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Ilcester* in the County of *Somerset*, was presented to His Majesty by *Sir Francis Wyndham*, and *John Hunt Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Commissioners and Officers of His Majesty's Customs, being subscribed by above 2000 Hands, was presented to His Majesty by the Commissioners of the Customs.

The Association of the Mayor, Magistrates, Freemen, and Inhabitants of the Borough of *West-Loe* in the County of *Cornwall*, was presented to His Majesty by *James Kendall Esq*; one of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

The Association of the Mayor, Capital Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of *Truro* in *Cornwall*, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable *Hugh Boscowen Esq*; one of the Knights of the Shire, and *John Clobery* and *Henry Vincent Esq*; Members of Parliament for the said Borough.

The Association of the Mayor, Recorder, Magistrates, Common Council, Free Burgesses, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of the *Devizes* in the County of *Wilts*, was presented to His Majesty by *Sir Edward Ernle*, one of their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, Bayliffs, Burgesses, Gentlemen, and Inhabitants of the Borough of *Preston* in the County of *Lancaster*, was presented to His Majesty by *Sir Thomas Stanley*, and *Thomas Molineux Esq*; their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Borough of *Bramber* in *Suffex*, was presented to His Majesty by *Nicholas Barbon Esq*; one of their Representatives in Parliament.

The Association of the Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Officers of the Militia, and Gentlemen of the County of *Carmarthen*, was presented to His Majesty by *Williams Gwynn Esq*;

The Association of the Officers, Masters, Artizans, and other Artificers Employed in Rebuilding the Cathedral Church of *St. Paul's*, was presented to His Majesty by *Sir Christopher Wren* Surveyor General of His Majesty's Works.

The Association of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Burgesses, Freemen, and the rest of the Protestant Inhabitants of *Kinsale* in *Ireland*, as also of the Commissioners and other Officers of the Garrison, and the Officers of *Col. Mitchellburne's* and *Sir Richard Atkins's* Regiments, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Inchiquin*, *Sir Richard Atkins*, and *Edward Southwell Esq*;

The Association of the Officers of His Majesty's Army in *Ireland* has been likewise presented to His Majesty. All which His Majesty received very Graciously.

Advertisements.

The Tryal of *Sir William Parkins* for High-Treason, in Conspiring in that Horrid and Execrable Conspiracy to Assassinate His Sacred Majesty *K. William* in order to a French Invasion, (By the Order of the Lord Chief Justice Holt) is now in the Press, and will be published on Wednesday next by *Samuel Heyrick* and *Isaac Cleve*, together with the Papers delivered by him and *Sir John Friend* to the Sheriffs at the time of their Execution; where are also to be had the Tryals of *Charneck*, *King*, and *Keys*, and *Sir John Friends*.

Idea Longitudinis: Being a brief Definition of the best known Axioms for finding the Longitude: Or, a more Rational Discovery thereof, than hath been hitherto Published. By *Edward Harrison, Lt.* Printed for the Author, and sold by *Mr. Sellers* at the *Hermitage, R. Mount* at the *Poffern* on *Tower-Hill*, and *P. Lea* at the *Atlas* and *Hercules* in *Cheapside* at the *Corner of Friday-Street*.

OR about the 3d Instant two Bills signed by *William Hales*, for *Sir Stephen Evans*, the one for payment of 25 l. and the other for 20 l. to *Mrs. Koch* or Bearer, bearing date the 28th of March last. Whoever brings them to *Sir Stephen Evans*, shall have a Guinea.

An Account of the Nature, Causes, Symptoms and Cure of the Distempers that are incident to Seafaring People; with Observations on the Diet of the Seamen in His Majesty's Navy, Illustrated with some Remarkable Instances of the Sicknesses of the Fleet during the last Summer, Historically related. By *W. C.* of the College of Physicians, London, and Physician to the Blue Squadron of His Majesty's Fleet. Printed for *Hugh Newman* at the *Grainopper* in the *Poultry*.

OR the 10th Instant a Note signed by *Robert Buckle* for 170 l. payable to *William Thompson* or Bearer, dated April 10. 1696. If any such come to your Hands, you are desired to stop it, and give notice to *John West* at the *Rose-Inn* in *West-Smithfield*, London, and you shall have Two Guineas's Reward.

Those who are curious in Seals cut in *Cornelian*, *Aggs*, *Beryl*, *Onyx*, *Sardonyx*, &c. with variety of fine Fancies, Heads, and Figures, both ancient and modern, may be furnished by *Jeremiah Marlow*, Goldsmith, at the *Spread-Eagle* in *Lombard Street*, where they may have Court of Arms, Cyphers, and other Devices curiously Engraven on any sort of Stone.