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Genova, April 14. N. S.

Complaint being made to the Senate, that the Merchant Ships belonging to the Subjects of this State are frequently molested and Plundered by the small French Privateers who cruise on this Coast, two Genouese Gallies were sent out the 14th Instant, for the Security of our Navigation. The Spanish Minister here has hired several Vessels to Transport to Catalonia a Regiment of Foot, which is coming hither from Milan.

Leghorn, April 15. The Peace-Sloop which departed lately out of this Port for Alexandria, is put into Port Longone. Three of the Great Duke's Gallies are ordered to Civita Vecchia, to carry Cardinal Fourbin and his Family from thence to Marseilles; and two other of the Duke's Gallies are to attend the Count de Harach, the Emperor's Minister, who is expected in few days from Venice, and will go from hence to Barcelona. The Mazareen, and Upton-Galley for London, and the God Success for Alexandria, will be ready to sail in few days. The French Ships commanded by the Marquis de Palas continue to cruise on these Coasts.

Venice, April 19. We have advice that the Men of War and Vessels laden with Provisions, which sailed hence some time ago under the command of Signior Duodo are arrived at Napoli di Romania; and that the Captain General intends to go to Sea with the Venetian Fleet in the beginning of the next month. The Count de Harach the Emperor's Envoy Extraordinary to the Court of Spain went hence yesterday for Leghorn.

Madrid, April 17. The King of Spain continues his resolution of going to Aranjuez the 24th of this Month. The Letters from Catalonia say, they make Preparations with great Diligence for the next Campaign. They write from Cadix of the 8th, that the Oxford and Soldadoes Men of War were then under sail with above 50 Merchant Ships for England. We have advice from the Madaras, that Vice-Admiral Nevill was there on the 8th of February with the Ships under his Command; and that about 13 days before passed by that Island a Squadron of Ships standing S. W. which 'tis believed were French, under Command of Monsieur Pointy, bound to the West Indies.

Vienna, April 20. The Emperor has not yet declared the General Officers to command his Forces in Hungary this Summer, but 'tis believed he will do it before his departure for Luxembourg, whither the Court will remove the next week. The Bishop of Passaw is now here, and so soon as he has received his Dispatches relating to his Embassy to Poland, will begin his Journey thither. The Imperial Troops in Hungary are ordered to be at the Rendezvous near Buda by the 20th of the next Month; and it's said that a design is formed to attack in the mean time the Fortreiss of Bibatz on the Frontiers of Croatia, which is to be executed by our Troops quartered in those Parts. A Party of 5000 Turks, belonging to that Garrison,

defeated lately 150 Croations, the greatest part of whom were killed with the Commanding Officer.

Francfort, April 28. The Forces of the Allies assemble near Hailbron; Most of the Troops of Suabia and Franconia with two or three of the Imperial Regiments which served in Piedmont, are already arrived there; and the rest are on their march. The French have their General Rendezvous near Landau; and at present a small Body of their Troops is posted near Spier. The Deputies who are to assist at the General Meeting of the Six Circles, begin to arrive here: We are told that the Elector of Saxony will send a good Body of his Troops to the Rhine; The Elector of Hanover will give likewise a very considerable Assistance, and the Circles are very diligent to supply their several Quarters, so that Prince Lewis will have a great Army under his Command this Summer.

Hamburg, April 30. The Letters from Stockholm of the 24th Instant say, the Regents had entred upon the Administration of the Government; and that great Preparations were making for the Funeral of the late King. The last advices from Poland tell us, that the Confederated Forces continued together in Upper Poland; and that the several Parties were labouring to advance their Interests against the time of the Election.

Paris, April 29. Monsieur de Vauban, the Ingenier, went hence yesterday for Flanders; and Marechal de Villeroi will be going thither towards the end of this week; and the Marechal de Choiseul, and Marechal Catinat about the same time to Germany. The Gens d'Arms who Wintered in Dauphine, are marched to Germany, and are to be the 15th of May at Strasbourg. The Duke de Vendosme, who is to Command in Catalonia, has sent away his Equipage, and he himself will follow in 7 or 8 days: The French Forces on that side are ordered to be at their Rendezvous on the 15th of May. The Marechal d'Estree is to command in Britany, Marechal de Tournville in the Country of Amix, and Marechal Joyeuse in Normandy. The Squadron of 5 Men of War commanded by the Marquis de Nesmond, and the Ships fitted out under the Command of Monsieur Magnan, were by the last accounts from Brest and Rochefort ready to sail, and staid only for a fair Wind. The Sieur de Genes, who has been in the West-Indies, is returned to Port Louis, after a long and fruitless Voyage; he has brought home the 5 Ships that went out with him, but not one Prize; and what was said of his having taken two Ships in the Gulph of Mexico, proves a groundless Report.

Brussels, May 1. The Troops under the Command of the Elector of Bavaria continue in the Camp at Deyns; but his Electoral Highness being indisposed is come to Ghent. The Troops commanded by Prince Vaudemont lie at Wasserlo, and in two other Camps between this Place and Lorraine. The French are Encamped near Thuin, between Charleroy and Maubenge. The Earl of Arblone was very Ill the last week, but is at present thought to be out of Danger. The Marechal

Mareschal de Boufflers was some days at Tournay ; 'Tis said, he is to visit the French Frontier Places in Flanders before he goes to command the Forces on the Sambre.

Hague, May 3. N. S. 'Tis thought the day for beginning the Conferences concerning the Peace, will be fixed the next Week. The States of Holland and Westfriseland meet again the 8th of this month. We hear that *de Bart* is preparing to sail from Dunkirk with 2 Squadron of Privateers. The Merchant Vessel, that went lately from the Maese with 3 Mails for England, is taken by a French Privateer, but the Master threw the Letters into the Sea.

Milford, April 24. This Afternoon His Majesty's Ships the *Oxford* and *Soldados* Prize arrived here with about 50 sail of Merchant Ships from Cadix, having on Board a considerable quantity of Silver.

Falmouth, April 24. Yesterday arrived here the Spanish Expedition Packet-Boat from the *Grayne* ; and brings an account, that the *Berwick* was failed thence with such Merchant Ships as were in that Port for *St. Antonio*, to join the *Sterling Castle*, and what other English Ships were bound home.

Plymouth, April 25. This day passed by this Harbour the Fleet of Merchant Ships bound to Newfoundland and the *West-Indies*.

Margate, April 26. The King came on Saturday about 10 at Night to Capt. *Ball's* House near this Place ; and about 11 this morning His Majesty went on Board the *Williams and Mary* Yacht, and by Noon, the Yachts, Men of War, and Transport Ships commanded by Sir *Claudestry Shovell* were all under sail with a fair Wind.

Whitehall, April 26. A Proclamation has been Published concerning the Currency of the *Exchequer Bills*, pursuant to the late Act of Parliament.

Whitehall, April 28. His Majesty has been pleased to Create the Right Honourable the Lord Chancellor of England, a Baron of this Kingdom, by the Style and Title of Lord *Somers*, Baron of *Everham* in the County of *Worcester*.

His Majesty has been pleased to create the Right Honourable *Edward Russell* Esq; a Baron, Viscount, and Earl of this Kingdom, by the Style and Title of Baron of *Shingey*, Viscount *Barfleur*, and Earl of *Oxford* in the County of *Suffolk*.

His Majesty has been pleased to create the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount *Galway* an Earl of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by the Style and Title of Earl of *Galway*.

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable the Lord Marquis of *Winchester*, the Earl of *Galway*, and the Lord Viscount *Villiers*, to be Lords Justices of the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

His Majesty has been pleased to Grant unto the Right Honourable the Earl of *Stanford* the Office of Chancellor of the Duchy and County Palatin of *Lancaster*.

His Majesty has been pleased to grant the Place and Office of Warden, Chief Justice, and Justice in Eyre of all His Majesty's Forests, Chaces, Parks, and Warrens on this side *Trent*, to the Right Honourable the Lord *Warton*, whom his Majesty has likewise appointed Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Oxon*.

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint the Honourable *Ralph Grey* Esq; to be Governor of the *Berbaodes*,

The Trustees Appointed and Chosen for Exchanging Exchequer Bills, do give notice, That the Subscribers do pay in their First Payment, viz. one Fourth Part of their Subscription-Money on or before the First Day of May next, at the Chamber of London, where daily Attendance will be given by the said Trustees for receiving the same.

Whereas by an Act of the last Sessions, granting to His Majesty a Duty of 6 d. per Bushel on Malt, it is therein Enacted, that all Masters, or makers of Malt for Sale, Sellers and Retailers of Malt, Brewers, Distillers, Innkeepers, Victuallers and Vinegar-makers, and all other Persons in trust for them, who shall be possessed of any Malt on the 20th of April, 1697. shall make a true and particular Entry thereof, at the Office of Excise, within the Limits of which they shall respectively inhabit, on or before the 10th of May next, on pain to forfeit the Sum of 50 l. and the Part of which no such Entry shall be made: The Commissioners of Excise, who are impowred to put the said Act

in Execution, do hereby give notice to all Persons concerned accordingly.

All Persons owing Arrears of Rent for Wine Licenses, or whose Licenses are expired, are hereby desired to take notice, That if they do not pay their said Arrears, and renew their said Wine Licenses with all speed, they will be forthwith sued at Law for the same.

At the last Sessions at the Old-Baily, John Aldridge was Indicted and Convicted of Felony, for Counterfeiting one of the Stamps provided in pursuance of the late Act of Parliament for the laying a Duty upon Vellum, Parchment and Paper, and selling several Quantities of Paper-stamps therewith in several Parts of the Kingdom; and on Friday last the said John Aldridge was Executed at Tyburn for the said Offence.

#### Advertisements.

Mr. William Read, an Experienced and Approved Oculist, and in that Quality 12000 Servant in Ordinary unto His Majesty, having performed with good Effect and Success several curious Operations, as well in Couching of Cataracts, as Curing the *Gutta Serena*, and other Distempers incident to the Eye, so the restoring sundry Persons to their Sight, who had been many Years actually Blind (as appears by sufficient Testimonials from our own and several Foreign Universities) being now in London upon performance of his said Operations on sundry Persons, who are under his Cure, is ready also to do his best Endeavours for the Relief of others, who shall desire it, and is to be spoken with all the Summer Season, at his Lodgings at Mr. William Downings, Printer, in St. Bartholomew's Close near West Smithfield, every day till two a Clock in the Afternoon, and afterwards at his House in St. Edmunds Bury in Suffolk.

\* \* A Sermon Preached before the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor and Aldermen, at Guild-Hall Chapel, on Sunday the 11th of April, being the Anniversary of His Majesty's Coronation. By Sir William Dawes, Barroner, D. D. and Chaplain in Ordinary to His Majesty. Printed for Tho. Speed, at the Three Crowns, near the Royal Exchange in Cornhill.

\* \* The Nature and Measure of Charity. A Sermon Preached before the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, and the Court of Aldermen, at the Parish Church of St. Bridget, on Tuesday in Easter Week, April 6. 1697. By William Sherlock, D. D. Dean of St. Paul's, Master of the Temple, and Chaplain in Ordinary to His Majesty. Printed for W. Rogers, at the Sun against St. Dunstons Church in Fleet Street.

\* The Occasional Paper: Number V. Containing a Defence of the Ministry and Ministers of the Gospel, against the Suggestions of some late Writers. In a Letter to a Friend. With a Postscript relating to the Author of the Reasonableness of Christianity. Printed for M. Wotton at the Three Daggers in Fleet Street. Where is sold No 1, 2, 3, 4.

A Commission of Bankrupt hath lately been awarded against Henry Harvey, late of Lawrence-lane, London, Esqer, and the Creditors now concerned have received Information that the said Harvey having lately bought up great quantities of Goods, hath secretly convey'd, or is about to do the same, and other his Effects on Board some Ship, with intent to Transport them beyond Sea, the said Creditors do therefore give notice, That any Person who shall make discovery of any such Goods or Effects to Mr. Chastney, in Leadenhall-street, one of the Commissioners, so at the same may be seized, shall be rewarded to l. per Cent. and so in proportion to the value thereof. And all Persons that are Indebted to the said Harvey, are to forbear Payment to him or Order.

The Medicinal Wells at Kingston, known by the name of New Tunbridge Wells, will be Opened the First day of May next, where the poor may have the Waters gratis, bringing a Certificate from some known Physician or Apothecary.

All Persons that owe any Sum or Sums of Money to the Estate of Philip Surman, late of St. Clement Danes, Middlesex, Woollen Draper, against whom a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded, are desired forthwith to pay the same to Mr Tho. Poore, Attorney at Law in Cateaton-Breet, London, otherwise they will be Prosecuted at Law for the same.

The Trustees for the Creditors of Joseph Wells, late Goldsmiths give notice, That an Agreement is Signed and Sealed by more than two Third parts in value of his said Creditors, and that there are several Creditors of the said Joseph Wells unknown to the said Trustees, who are desired to make their Demands before the 8th of May next, and Attendance will be given for that purpose from 3 to 6 in the Afternoon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, at the Apple-Tree and Crown in Chancery-lane, over against Lincoln's Inn.

The Creditors of Mr George Sitwell, late of London, Merchant, are desired to meet at Lloyds Coffee-House in Lombard-street, London, on the 12th of May next, at 3 in the Afternoon, in order to receive Proposals towards the Satisfying of Debts, and a speedy Distribution of the whole Estate.

On the 27th Instant, between 12 and 1 of the Clock, in St. James's Park, a Watch Case of beaven Gold, engraved on the outside, and lined with Red Sartin. Whoever brings it to Mrs. Rosinda's Chocoler House at St. James's Gate in St. James's-Breet, shall have a Guinea Reward.

On the 23d Instant from Bow, a bright bay Gelding about 12 hands, full aged, with a short beeb Tail, and no white about him. Whoever secures him, and gives notice to Mr. John Flendell, a Butcher, near the Angel and Crown Taverns in White-Chapel, shall have to s. Reward, and Charges.



By the King,

# A P R O C L A M A T I O N.

WILLIAM R.



Whereas in and by One Act Made and Passed in the last Session of Parliament ( Intituled, An Act for Granting an Aid to His Majesty, as well by a Land Tax, as by several Subsidies and other Duties payable for One Year ) It was ( amongst other things ) Enacted, That it should and might be Lawfull to and for the Commissioners of Our Treasury, or any Three of them, to cause Bills to be made forth at the Receipt of the Exchequer, in such Manner and Form as they should appoint, for any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding One Million five hundred thousand Pounds, by Virtue of that Act, and to Issue the same to the uses of the War, in such Proportions as they should think fit, and that the said Bills should be Current to the Receivers or Collectors of any Aids, Taxes or Supplies thereby Granted, or that should be Granted for the Service of the War, for the Year, One thousand six hundred ninety seven ( Except for the Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound ) And whereas by One other Act also Made and Passed in the said last Session of Parliament ( Intituled, An Act for making good the Deficiency of the several Funds therein mentioned, and for Enlarging the Capital Stock of the Bank of England, and for Raising the Publick Credit, to the end the said Bills to be Issued might be of more general Use, as well for the Occasions of the War, as for the Publick Commerce and Trade, It is ( amongst other things ) Enacted, That the said Bills to be Issued, shall be Received and Taken, not only by Receivers or Collectors of the Taxes or Supplies Granted, or to be Granted for the War, for the Year, One thousand six hundred ninety seven, but shall also be Current to all and every the Commissioners, Receivers or Collectors of any Aids, Taxes or Supplies whatsoever Granted, or that should or might be Granted, during the said last Session of Parliament, either for any other Use, and from the said Commissioners, Receivers or Collectors, or from any other Person or Persons whatsoever making any Payments

also at the Receipt of the Exchequer, from the said Commissioners, Receivers or Collectors, or from any other Person or Persons whatsoever making any Payments there to us upon any Account whatsoever. And to the end that all Persons might be the more willing to accept and Receive the said Bills in all manner of Payments, It is thereby also Enacted, That there shall be annexed unto, attend and go along with the said Bills, an Interest after the Rate of five Pence a Day for every One hundred Pounds contained therein, and so Proportionably for a greater or lesser Sum, which said Interest shall be Paid or Allowed to the Person who is last Possessed thereof, to the Day he Pays the same into the Exchequer, or to any Receivers or Collectors, for any Aids, Taxes, Revenues or Supplies whatsoever. And that no Interest might be Allowed on the said Bills for any longer time than the same should be Announced unto us, It is Enacted, That the Person who Pays the same into the Exchequer, or to any Receivers or Collectors, for any Aids, Taxes or Revenues, shall, at the time of making such Payment, put his Name to the said Bill, and Write the Day of the Month, to which Day the Collector, or other Person who Receives the same to Our Use, shall be Allowed again the Interest that he shall have Allowed thereupon. And when any of the said Bills, which in pursuance of the Act last mentioned shall be Received at the Exchequer, Custom-Dock, Excise-Office, or General Letter-Office, or by any of Our Receivers or Collectors, or for any Revenues, Taxes or Supplies, shall be Applicable to the Satisfaction of Callers and Orders of Loan, or to any other Uses or Payments whatsoever, and by reason thereof are not to be immediately Cancelled at the said Exchequer, or in any other Publick Office, then the respective Callers in the Receipt of Our said Bills, shall Sign the same, and add the Day of the Month, and so copies quores until the said Bills shall or may come or be Paid into the Exchequer, on Account of the Proper Funds or Supplies ( upon which they are ) or shall be first Issued out, to be Cancelled. And to the Intent that such Person or Persons who have or may have or be Intituled to any Callers or Orders, or any Branch of the Revenues, or on any Aid, Tax or Supply that is or shall be Appointed for Repayment and Satisfaction thereof, and shall desire or be Desirous to accept the said Bills in Payment, might not be Obligated to Receive the same, It is further Enacted, That for the Ease, Accommodation and Satisfaction of all and every Person and Persons to be Receivers of Our Treasury, or any to Receive the said Bills in Repayment of such Callers and Orders, It should and might be Lawfull, to and for the Commissioners, or any of them, to Covenant and Agree, in such manner as they should think fit, with any Persons, Natives or Foreigners, or any of them, for or for ( with whose Abilities they should be well Satisfied ) for the immediate Advancing or Lending of Money from time to time as there should be Occasion, for or for changing such Bills as should be so Issued, or not Accepted or Taken in Repayment of Callers and Orders, as aforesaid; and that such Person and Persons as should so Covenant and Agree, should immediately upon their Paying or Advancing any Moneys pursuant to their Contract or Agreements, have for their Security and Satisfaction the said Bills, or such Security as should be Agreed upon between the said Commissioners of the Treasury and the said Contractors, and that for the further encouragement, such Interest or Reward as is therein mentioned. And it is by the said Act Pro-



And whereas by One other Act and Statute in that behalf made, touching the Deficiency of the several Funds therein mentioned, and for Enlarging the Capital Stock of the Bank of England, and for Raising the Publick Credit, to the end the said Bills so Authorized to be Issued might be of more general Use, as well for the Occasions of the War, as for the Publick Commerce and Trade, It is (amongst other things) Enacted, That the said Bills so Authorized to be Issued, shall be Received and Taken, not only by Receivers or Collectors of the Taxes or Supplies Granted, or to be Granted for the War, for the Year, One thousand six hundred ninety seven, but shall also Pass and be Current to all and every the Commissioners, Receivers or Collectors of any Revenue, Aid, Tax or Supply whatsoever Granted, or that should or might be Granted, during the said last Session of Parliament, either for the War, or any other use, and also at the Receipt of the Exchequer, from the said Commissioners, Receivers or Collectors, or from any other Person or Persons whatsoever making any Payments there to Us upon any Account whatsoever. And to the end that all Persons might be the more willing to Accept and Receive the said Bills in all manner of Payments, It is thereby also Enacted, That there shall be annexed unto, attend and go along with the said Bills, an Interest after the Rate of Five Pence a Day for every One hundred Pounds contained therein, and so Proportionably for a greater or lesser Sum, which said Interest shall be Paid or Allowed to the Person who is last Possessed thereof, to the Day he Pays the same into the Exchequer, or to any Receivers or Collectors, for any Aids, Taxes, Revenues or Supplies whatsoever. And that no Interest might be Allowed on the said Bills for any longer time than the same should be Unanswered unto Us, It is Enacted, That the Person who Pays the same into the Exchequer, or to any Receivers or Collectors, for any Aids, Taxes or Revenues, shall, at the time of making such Payment, put his Name to the said Bill, and Write the Day of the Month; to which Day the Collector, or other Person who Receives the same to Our Use, shall be Allowed again the Interest that he shall have Allowed thereupon. And when any of the said Bills, which in pursuance of the Act last mentioned shall be Received at the Exchequer, Custom-House, Excise-Office, or General Letter Office, or by any of Our Receivers or Collectors, or for any Revenues, Taxes or Supplies, shall be Applicable to the Satisfaction of Calleys and Orders of Loan, or to any other Uses or Payments whatsoever, and by reason thereof are not to be immediately Cancelled at the said Exchequer, or in any other Publick Office, then the respective Tellers in the Receipt of Our Exchequer, and the Receivers General or Cashiers of the Customs, Excise and Post-Office, or any other Receivers, upon their Issuing or Paying out the said Bills, shall Sign the same, and add the Day of the Month, and so roties quoties until the said Bills shall or may come or be Paid into the Exchequer, on Account of the Proper Funds or Supplies (upon which they are or shall be first Issued out) to be Cancelled. And to the Intent that such Person or Persons who have or may have or be Intituled to any Calleys or Orders, or any Branch of the Revenues, or on any Aid, Tax or Supply that is or shall be Appropriated for Repayment and Satisfaction thereof, and shall Refuse or be Unwilling to Accept the said Bills in Payment, might not be Obligated to Receive the same, It is further Enacted, That for the Ease, Accommodation and Satisfaction of all and every Person and Persons so Refusing, or being Unwilling to Receive the said Bills in Repayment of such Calleys and Orders, It should and might be Lawful, to and for the Commissioners of Our Treasury, or any Three of them, to Covenant and Agree, in such manner as they should think fit, with any Persons, Natives or Foreigners, Bodies Politick or Corporate (with whose Abilities they should be well Satisfied) for the immediate Advancing or Lending of Money from time to time as there should be Occasion, for Exchanging such Bills as should be so Refused, or not Accepted or Taken in Repayment of Calleys and Orders, as aforesaid; and that such Person and Persons as should so Contract and Agree, should immediately upon their Paying or Advancing any Moneys pursuant to their Contracts or Agreements, have for their Security and Satisfaction the said Bills, or such Security as should be Agreed upon between the said Commissioners of the Treasury and the said Contractors, and should also have and Receive, as a further Encouragement, such Interest or Reward as is therein mentioned. And it is by the said Act Provided and Enacted, That until such time as We by Our Royal Proclamation, to be Issued by the Advice of Our Privy Council, should be Pleas'd to Publish and make known, That the said Commissioners of Our Treasury, or any Three or more of them, or the High Treasurer for the time being, should (by such Covenants or Agreements made with Persons of Ability, as aforesaid) have sufficiently secured and made provision, That all Persons who at the said Receipt of Exchequer, or at any the said Publick Offices, should have any of the said Bills for satisfaction of their Calleys or Orders of Loan, or for any other Payments whatsoever, may have such Bills Exchanged for Ready Money, the said Bills to be made forth for the said Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, or any part thereof, should be Current only for the Aids, Taxes or Supplies Granted or to be Granted for the Service of the War for the Year One thousand six hundred ninety seven, Exclusive of the said Aid of Three Shillings in the Pound, according to the Tenour and true Meaning of the said former Act in that behalf; And that after the said Proclamation should be Issued, and not sooner, the said Bills so Authorized to be Issued, as aforesaid, should Pass and be Current for all Revenues, Aids, Taxes, Supplies or other Payments to Us, according to the true Meaning of the last recited Act; Any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, as by the said several Acts relation being thereunto respectively had, may more fully appear. And whereas as the said Commissioners of Our Treasury have, in pursuance of the Power to them given by the Act of Parliament last mentioned in this behalf, Contracted and Agreed with several Persons and Bodies Politick or Corporate, for the Advancing and Lending of Money from time to time for Exchanging the said Bills; We have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy Council, to Issue this Our Royal Proclamation, and We do hereby Publish and Make known, That the said Commissioners of Our Treasury have by such Agreements, as aforesaid, sufficiently secured and made provision, That all Persons who at the said Receipt of Exchequer, or at any the said Publick Offices, shall have any of the said Bills for satisfaction of their Calleys or Orders of Loan, or for any other Payments whatsoever, may have such Bills Exchanged for Ready Money: And therefore We do by this Our Royal Proclamation further Publish and Declare, That from henceforth the said Bills for the said Sum, not exceeding Fifteen hundred thousand Pounds, Authorized to be Issued, as aforesaid, shall Pass and be Current in all Payments for Our Customs, Additional Duties, Impositions, Excises and all other Our Revenues whatsoever, and for all Taxes, Aids, and Supplies any ways Granted or belonging to Us, and in all other Payments of what Nature or Kind soever to be made to Us or to Our Use. And We do hereby strictly Charge and Command all Commissioners, Receivers General, Collectors, Tellers, and all other Persons whatsoever, who are or may be concerned in the Receipt, Collection or Levying of any of Our said Customs, Additional Duties, Impositions, Excises, Revenues, Taxes, Aids, Supplies or other Payments whatsoever for Our Use, to Accept and Take the said Bills in Payment from all and every Our Loving Subjects who shall Tender the same for or in Discharge of any such Customs, Additional Duties, Impositions, Excises, Revenues, Taxes, Aids, Supplies or other Payments to Our Use, and to Observe all other Directions in the said recited Acts, or either of them Contained, touching the said Bills, upon Pain of Incurring Our High Displeasure, and as they will Answer the contrary at their Perils.

Given at Our Court at Kensington the Three and twentieth Day of April, 1697. In the Ninth Year of Our Reign.

God save the King.

L O N D O N, Printed by Charles Bill, and the Executrix of Thomas Newcomb, deceas'd; Printers to the Kings most Excellent Majesty. 1697.