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Westminster, June 12.

His Majesty came this day to the House of Peers, attended with the usual Solemnity, and being in His Royal Robes seated on the Throne, the Commons were sent for by Mr. *Aston* Deputy Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, and attending His Majesty accordingly, His Majesty gave the Royal Assent to

- An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown; and for securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subjects.
- An Act for the preventing the Inconveniencies that may happen by Privilege of Parliament.
- An Act for the recovering, securing, and keeping in repair the Harbour of Minehead, for the Benefit and Support of the Navigation and Trade of this Kingdom.
- An Act for Continuing the Acts therein mentioned for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of England.
- An Act for appointing Wardens and Assay-Masters, for giving Wrought Plate in the Cities of Exeter, York, Bristol, Chester, and Norwich.
- An Act for Continuing a further Act, to prevent False and Double Returns of Members to Serve in Parliament.
- An Act for Raising the Militia for one Year, although the Militia Pay formerly advanced be not repaid.
- An Act for the better settling and preserving the Liberty kept in the House at Westminster, called Cotton-House, in the Name and Family of the Cottons, for the Benefit of the Publick.
- And to 31 Private Acts.

After which, His Majesty made a most Gracious Speech to both Houses, which follows:

My Lords and Gentlemen,
 I return you my hearty Thanks for the Care you have taken to Establish the Succession to the Crown in the best and truest Line: And I must not lose this Occasion of Acknowledging you; that I am likewise extremely sensible of your former Assurances of Supporting Me in such Alliances as may be most proper for the Preservation of the Liberty of Europe, and for the Security of England and Holland. I am likewise so much at Heart as the Preservation of the Liberty of Europe, and the Honour and Interest of England, so I make no Doubt of Attaining those great Ends, by the Blessing of God, and the Continuance of your Good Concourse.

My Lords and Gentlemen,
 The Session of the Year makes it necessary to have a speedy Review, and the Posture of Affairs Abroad does necessarily require my Presence; for the Encouragement of our Allies, and for the performing of such Alliances as may be most Effectual for the Common Interest; and therefore I thought Reasonable a Dispatch of the Publick Business; and I am glad to see the Maturity which are of the greatest Importance.

From the Imperial Camp at St. Antonio, a League from Verona, June 7. N.S. On the 3d Instant the Prince of Conde returned to the Camp, having been to view the Place where Count *Palfi* is posted with a Body of Imperial Horse and Dragoons near *Legnago*, and taken a View likewise of the River several miles lower. The same day, *Proveditore* General *Molino* sent Count *Turco* from Verona to Prince *Eugene* to acquaint him, That he had received Orders from the Senate to desire of both Parties, First a Free Commerce and Navigation might be preserved on the River *Adige*; Prince *Eugene* answered, That he had given no Interruption to the same, and would do what was in his Power to comply with the Desire of the Senate; but that the French shewed a contrary Disposition, in seizing all the Vessels they could find on the River, and bringing them to their side of the River.

The 4th, the Imperial Army, marched from *Breonze* to *Stalla Vera*. General *Molino* sent another Message, to desire, That he would permit a quantity of Hay to be carried to *Verona*, for the use of the Venetian Horse which are quartered there; and an Answer was returned by Prince *Eugene*, That he could not consent thereunto, because he knew not how to answer it to the Emperor, in case the Army should want Forrage. The 5th, we continued our March, and encamped in this Place, being a plain fine Country. Prince *Eugene* went the same day as far as *Sebio* on the *Adige* over against the Enemy's Camp, to view the same. We received an Account from Count *Palfi*, that the 3d Instant about midnight, he sent the Major of *Corbelli's* Regiment with 24 chosen Men in a Boat over the *Adige*, who surprised a French Party of 50 Men that Guarded the Pontone or Ferry-Boat at *Albare*, killed several of them, took an Ensign and 9 other Prisoners, and brought away the Pontone, having lost only one Man; That the said Major sent out 4 Soldiers in Country Men's Habits with an Italian Foot-Post in their Company, the better to conceal their Design, who passing along the *Adige*, came to a Place called *Posio de Capri*, and called to the French, who were Masters of the Ferry-Boat on the other side, to fetch them over; The French at first seemed unwilling; but after much entreaty, sent over the Ferry-Boat with a Corporal and 7 Soldiers. The 4 German Soldiers went into the Boat, and at the same time the rest of their Party who lay in Ambush, appeared, took the French Prisoners, and seized the Ferry-Boat; after which they secured likewise another Ferry-Boat. A Drummer came from the French Camp to demand their Prisoners, but was answered, That no Cattel being made, they could not be set at Liberty. Yesterday the Regiment of *Cuirassiers of Palfi*, and the Regiments of Foot of *Gutenstein* and *Dani*, arrived in our Camp. Advice came, that the Enemy were decamped from *Gossolingo*, and had posted themselves near *Verona* on the other side of the River; They endeavoured to possess themselves of the Ferry-Boat at *St. Pancratio*, but we prevented them, and secured it on our side the River. This day *Proveditore Molino* sent Count *Turco* hither again, to desire the Navigation on the *Adige* might not be interrupted, and the same Answer was given as before. Last night a Body of German Horse and Foot, who were posted at *Pescantina*, cut the Ropes of all the Ferry-Boats which the French had possessed themselves of, between *Verona* and *Rivote*, and they fired upon the French on the other side of the River, and wounded divers of them; and this morning they began to fire several Pieces of Cannon upon the Enemy. Last night General *Palfi* came hither, and returned this day to his Post. This morning at break of day, the Enemy fired from their Camp upon our Guard on this side the River; our Men did the like, who killed two of the French, and wounded several, without receiving any Damage on our side. Prince *Eugene* sent to *Proveditore Molino* to acquaint him, That he was obliged to seize the Ferry-Boat of *St. Pancratio*, to prevent the Enemy's doing it; but if the *Proveditore* desired it, the said Boat should be delivered to him, provided he would engage, that the French should not afterwards seize the same; The *Proveditore* answered, That he would send to the French General to know what he would say to it, and was satisfied that the Boat should continue in our Possession till he had his Answer. We are getting together Materials for making a Bridge over the *Adige*.

Verona, June 10. Count *Caslebarco*, the Emperor's late Envoy to the Duke of *Modena*, returned hither last Saturday from the Imperial Camp, where he had been to confer with Prince *Eugene*, and several Expresses are since come from thence to the Imperial Ambassador here. Letters from *Verona* give an Account, that 16000 Germans were come down the Mountains to *Breonze*, and from thence they marched to *St. Michael* in the Fields beyond the *Maasna*, extending themselves near to *St. Martin's*, so that they are within Cannon-shot of *Verona*; And 'tis said, in few days they will march towards *Corona*.

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