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Westminster, Decemb. 8.

Yesterday the Parliament met, pursuant to their last Prorogation; and the Queen being come to the House of Peers, and seated on the Throne in Her Royal Robes, a Message was sent to the Commons by Sir William Oides, Knight, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, requiring their Attendance in the House of Peers; whither they came accordingly; and Her Majesty was pleased to make the following most Gracious Speech to both Houses.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I have call'd you together as soon as the Publick Affairs would permit, and I am glad that I can now tell you, that notwithstanding the Arts of those who delight in War, both Place and Time are appointed for Opening the Treaty of a General Peace.

Our Allies (especially the States General) whose Interest I look upon as inseparable from my own, have by Their ready Concurrence expressed Their entire Confidence in Me, and I have no reason to doubt but that My own Subjects are assured of My particular Care of Them.

My Chief Concern is, That the Protestant Religion, and the Laws and Liberties of these Nations, may be continued to you, by Securing the Succession to the Crown as it is Limited by Parliament to the House of Hanover.

I shall Endeavour that after a War which has cost so much Blood and Treasure, you may find your Interest in Trade and Commerce Improved and Enlarged by a Peace, with all other Advantages which a Tender and Affectionate Sovereign can procure for a Dutiful and Loyal People.

The Princes and States which have been Engaged with Us in this War, being by Treaties entitled to have their several Interests Secured at a Peace, I will not only do My utmost to procure every one of them all reasonable Satisfaction, but I shall also Unite with them in the strictest Engagements for Continuing the Alliance, in order to render the General Peace Secure and Lasting.

The best way to have this Treaty effectual, will be to make early Provision for the Campagne, therefore I must ask of you, Gentlemen of the House of Commons, the necessary Supplies for the next Years War, and I do most earnestly recommend to you to make such Dispatch therein as may Convince our Enemies, that if We cannot obtain a good Peace, We are prepared to carry on the War with Vigour.

Whatever you give will be still in your own Power to apply, and I doubt not but in a little time after the Opening of the Treaty We shall be able to Judge of its Event.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

As I have had your Cheerful Assistance for the Carrying on this long and chargeable War, so I as-

sure Myself, that no true Protestant or good Subject will envy Britain or Me, the Glory and Satisfaction of Ending the same by a Just and Honourable Peace for Us and all Our Allies.

Such a Peace will give new Life to Our Foreign Trade, and I shall d^r My utmost to Improve that happy Opportunity to Encourage Our Home-Manufactures, which will tend to the Ease of my Subjects in that Excessive Charge they now lie under in Maintaining the Poor, and to correct and redress such Abuses as may have crept into any part of the Administration during so long a War.

I cannot Conclude without earnestly recommending to you all, Unanimity, and that you will carefully avoid every thing which may give Occasion to the Enemy to think Us a People divided amongst Our selves, and Consequently prevent Our Obtaining that Good Peace, of which we have such reasonable Hopes and so near a View.

I pray God Direct your Consultations to this end, that being delivered from the Hardships of War, you may become a Happy and a Flourishing People.

Venice, Novemb. 2. N. S. The Senate having receiv'd Advice, That his Imperial Majesty would pass through the Territories belonging to this State, in his way to Innspruck, appointed the Signors Aluise, Pisani and Andrea Lezze, to Compliment him upon his Promotion to the Imperial Dignity, in order to which they went to Verona the Fourth. with a splendid Retinue. His Majesty being arriv'd that Day upon the Frontiers, was met by the said Ambassadors, and invited to refresh himself at Ussalengo, to which Place he came that Evening, and gave 'em Audience; at which he assur'd 'em of his intentions of maintaining the same good Correspondence with their Masters, which his Predecessors had done, and presented 'em with his Picture set with Diamonds. The next Morning his Imperial Majesty continu'd his Journey, and was attended by the Ambassadors to the Confines of the Venetian Territories, where they took their Leave of him. Last Week they return'd hither, and have since given an Account of the Execution of their Commission to the Senate. Signor Girolamo Dolino, who has born several considerable Offices in the State, is elected Proveditor-General by Sea, in the room of Signor Agostino Sagredo, he having been rendred incapable of that Employment, through the ill condition of his Health. Prince Lubomirski, who has been at Milan to Compliment the Emperor on the part of the King and Republick of Poland, is arriv'd here, as is likewise Prince Hercolan, the Emperors Ambassador to this Republick. Prince James Sobieski, is gone from hence to the Court of Vienna, by the way of Carinthia, and the Princeps de Santo Buono, lately made Lady of the Bedchamber to the Duche of Anjou, is preparing to set out for Spain. Our Letters from Dalmatia say, that the Montenegrins were still in Rebellion against the Port; that a Body of Troops are marching under the Command

of a Basha to disperse 'em; that the Turks are erecting Magazines at Lepanto, Negropont and other Frontier Places; that the Squadron design'd for the Black Sea, was still at Constantinople, and it was apprehended the Muscovites would not evacuate Afoph. having made so many Pretences of Delay hitherto. The Contagious Distemper that has rag'd in these Parts for some time, is not so violent as it has been.

Milan, Novemb. 21. The Earl of Peterborough having chang'd his Design of going to Turin to confer with the Duke of Savoy, is gone to Frankfort to wait upon his Imperial Majesty there. A Project has been set on foot here for augmenting the Finances of this State by Stamps upon Paper, as it is now practis'd in several foreign Countries; which, 'tis believ'd, will take Effect. The Prince d'Avellino has been nominated his Imperial Majesty's Ambassador to the Court of Rome, whither he is preparing to go. The famous Convent of the Capuchins at Favia, and the fine Library, has been unfortunately reduc'd to Ashes. The Mortality among the Cattle in the Neighbourhood of this State, continues to rage with great Violence. Strict Guards are kept upon the Frontiers, to prevent the Infection being brought into this Country, and the Sale of 'em prohibited under severe Penalties. They are very busy at Vado, embarking a Reinforcement of Imperial Troops for Catalonia under Convoy of a Squadron of the Fleet of the Allies, whither the Count de Melignano is going, having been appointed one of the Counsellors to the Queen in the Government of that Principality. Two British Men of War have lately Taken two rich French Prizes in those Seas.

Admiralty-Office, Nov. 30. 1711.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, having some time since Order'd the Seven disabled Seamen undermention'd to be entertain'd in Her Majesty's Royal Hospital at Greenwich; but as they have not yet made their Appearance, their Lordships are pleas'd to give Notice, that if they do not apply themselves to Sir William Gifford, Governour of the aforesaid Hospital within 14 Days after the Date hereof, other disabled Seamen will be entertain'd there in their rooms. And their Lordships having now order'd the 4 Men under-mention'd, to be receiv'd into the said Hospital, they are further pleas'd to give Notice, that if the said Men, as well as any others, who shall for the future, be order'd to be entertain'd there, do not make their Appearance to Sir William Gifford aforesaid, within one Month after the Dates of their Lordships Orders for their being taken into the said Hospital, of which Notice will be given in the Gazette, other disabled Seamen will be likewise put in their rooms.

John Williams
Edward Middleton
Bryan Russell
William Calder
John Adcocke
John Davis
Richard Stuart.

James Carr
Charles Willison
Conniby Hemsworth
Thomas Hunks.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are pleas'd to direct, That all such Men as did lately belong to the Burford, and are now order'd to serve on Board Her Majesty's Ship Windsor, do immediately repair to their Duty on Board the said Ship Windsor, at Portsmouth, otherwise they will be taken up and punished as Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are pleased to direct, that all the Men belonging to Her Majesty's Ship the Swallow, which are in or about the Town, do immediately repair to their Duty Aboard the said Ship Swallow at Chatham, or they will be Taken up, and punished as Deserters from Her Majesty's Service.

Whereas a Letter dated the 1st Instant, sign'd F. W. has been read at the Admiralty Office, giving an Account of Abuses in Her Majesty's Navy; this is to give Notice, that if the Person who writ the said Letter will attend at the Office, and make out what he alledges, he will have all fitting Encouragement and Protection.

Advertisements.

THE Persons concerned in the Old East India Company's Bonds, who have not receiv'd Satisfaction for their said Bonds and those whose Bonds are not fully paid off, are desired to meet at Pont's Coffee-house in Finch lane, near the Royal Exchange, on Wedn. Day the 12th Instant, at Four Afternoon, and bring their said Bonds with them, to consider of Methods to be taken for the recovery of the Monies due on such Bonds.

Whereas Michael Willis, late Husband of Mary Willis, had a Right to the 1100 Bills following, viz. Numb. 2224 for 1. 15 s. 5 d. No. 2225 for 16 l. No. 2226 for 10 l. No. 2.27 for 41. 6 s. 2228 for 4 l. 10 s. No. 2231 for 3 l. which said Bills are since his Decesse missing, and now being on the List for Payment, if any Person will give notice of them, or bring them to the said Mary Willis, in Lemonstreet in Goodman-fields, reasonable satisfaction will be given. If they can't be found, other Bills will be granted in lieu of them.

Whereas Daniel Shilling, of London, Scrivener hath for render'd himself (pursuant to notice) and been twice examined, this is to give notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on the 24th Instant, at Three Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to finish his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepar'd to prove Debts, pay Contribution-Mony, and alient to, or dissent from the allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas Thomas Coles, of London Distiller hath surrendred himself (pursuant to Notice) and been twice Examined; This is to give notice that he will attend the Commissioners on the 24th Instant, at Three Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to finish his Examination: Where the Creditors are to come prepar'd to prove Debts, pay Contribution-Mony, and alient to, or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Daniel Hallet the Elder, of North-Perrat, in the County of Somerset, Chapman, Daniel Hallet the Younger, of the same, Chapman, and Charles Hallet of Crew-horn in the same County, Chapman, and Co-Partners have certify'd to the Right Hon. Simon Lord Harcourt, Baron of Stanton-Harcourt, Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Great Britain, that they have in all things conform'd themselves to the Directions of the late Acts of Parliament made against Bankrupts: This is to give notice, that their Certificate will be allow'd and confirm'd, as the said Acts direct, unless cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 29th Instant.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt, awarded against William Bradshaw, of St. James Clerkenwell, in the County of Middlesex, Butcher, have certify'd to the Right Hon. Simon Lord Harcourt, Baron of Stanton-Harcourt, Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Great Britain, that he hath in all things conform'd himself to the Directions of the late Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts: This is to give notice, that his Certificate will be allow'd and confirm'd, as the said Acts direct, unless cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 31st of December Instant.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against John Clement, of Chelstord, in the County of Essex, Vintner, and he being declar'd a Bankrupt, is hereby required to render himself to the Commissioners on the 14th and 21st Instant, and on the 7th of January next at Three Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the second of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove Debts pay Contribution-Mony, and chuse Assessors.

The Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Haword, late of Manchester in the County of Lancaster, Chapman, intend to meet on the 4th of January next, at the Eagle and Child in Manchester, to make a second Dividend of the laid Bankrupt's Estate; where such Creditors as have not yet come into the Statute, may then come in and prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution-Mony.