

Immediately ran away, and were pursued by our Men, who took the said Campbel Prisoner, with several others: Campbel had his Commission of Brigadier in his Pocket, and is ordered to be sent with the rest to Fort-William. The next Day all the People in the said Island submitted and brought in their Arms, and Collonel Cholmeley was to sail from thence with his Detachment to the Lewis, where he was assured the People will also surrender at Discretion as soon as he comes. All the Rebels in the Isle of Skie being disarmed, and the Gentlemen and Heretors secured by Colonel Clayton, Directions are sent to him to return with his Detachment. To Morrow the Lieutenant-General sets out from hence for Edinburgh.

St. James's, May 10. On the 3d Instant the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland met at Edinburgh, and chose for their Moderator Mr. William Hamilton Professor of Divinity there. His Majesty's Commission to the Right Honourable the Earl of Rothes was read, as was likewise His Majesty's most gracious Letter to the Assembly. His Majesty's High Commissioner made a Speech to the Assembly, which was answered on their Part by the Moderator, and a Committee was appointed to draw up a Dutiful Answer to His Majesty's most gracious Letter, which being reported on the 4th, was unanimously approved; and having been transmitted by the High Commissioner to the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend, has been presented to His Majesty, and is as follows.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE accept with the greatest Thankfulness Your Majesty's Royal Favour in continuing to countenance our Assemblies, and the Honour of Your Gracious Letter to us.

The Notice Your Majesty is pleased to take of our Behaviour, upon Occasion of the late unhappy and unnatural Rebellion, as it greatly heightens our Satisfaction in having been enabled by the Divine Assistance to exert our selves any way answerably to our Duty to Your Majesty, so it puts us under new Obligations to lay out our selves as we have Access to advance the Interest of Your Majesty's Government, upon the Peace and Prosperity whereof, the Preservation of our Holy Religion, and our own Safety, under God, do entirely depend. And particularly we judge our selves most strictly bound to continue our Endeavours to impress the Minds of the People under our Charge, with a Sense of their Happiness under Your Majesty's wife and good Administration, and of the strictest Ties they are under by Laws Divine and Human, to all the Duties of Loyalty and Fidelity to Your Majesty, their only Rightful and Lawful Sovereign.

That Your Majesty should have in Your great Condescension put so high an Honour upon us, as to give us Thanks for doing what was our unquestionable Duty and Interest, is a Proof of that distinguishing Goodness which makes for bright a Part of Your Majesty's Princely Character.

We cannot sufficiently express the grateful Sense we have of Your Majesty's Goodness, in giving us repeated Assurances of Your unalterable Resolution to maintain the Established Government of our Church in the full Enjoyment of all just Rights and Privileges, which gives us full Hopes that in due Time we shall obtain Redress of the Grievances that we were brought under before Your Majesty came to the Throne, and which were laid before Your Majesty by a Memorial from the last Assembly.

Your Majesty's Choice of the Earl of Rothes to represent Your Royal Person in this Assembly, is a particular Instance of Your Majesty's Royal Favour to this Church. The extraordinary Zeal he hath shown upon all Occasions for the Protestant Succession, by the Part he acted both before Your Majesty's happy Accession to the Throne, and in the Time of the late Rebellion, and his wise and kind Conduct in the last Assembly, render him most acceptable to us.

Your Majesty having nothing more in Your View, than the promoting of true Religion and Piety, and making all Your People happy under Your Administration, leaves us utterly unexcusable, should we not on our Part concur as we have Access for advancing those great and noble Ends, since we are in the great Goodness of God, by a very peculiar Providence, un-

der the Influence of a Prince who is so great a Patron and Encourager of Piety and Vertue.

We should be wanting to the Duty we owe to God, and to the best of Kings, if we did not endeavour by our Department, to answer the just Expectations your Majesty is pleased to have of our Prudence and Moderation in this Assembly.

We adore the Blessed God, who in great Mercy to us, hath brought Your Majesty to the Throne, and appeared so Gloriously in behalf of Your just Cause, giving You Victory over Your unprovoked and ungrateful Enemies: And, to our Amazement, blessed Your Councils and Arms with such speedy Success, in restoring Peace and Tranquility, that the remotest Places and Islands are represented in this Assembly.

That the same God may long preserve Your Royal Person in Health and Safety; That he may enrich Your Majesty and Your Royal Family with all the Blessings of his Grace and Goodness here on Earth; and after a long and prosperous Reign, Crown Your with immortal Glory, are the earnest Prayers of,

May it please Your Majesty,
Your Majesty's most Faithful, most Dutiful, most Obedient, and most humble Subjects,

The Ministers and Elders met in this National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Signed in our Presence, in our Name,
Edinb. May 5. and at our Appointment, by *Sic*
1716. *Subscribitur William Hamilton,*
Moderator.

St. James's, May 10. This Day his Excellency Don Luis da Cunha, Ambassador-Extraordinary from the King of Portugal, had his first private Audience of His Majesty; being introduced by the Right Honourable James Stanhope, Esq; one of His Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrell, Master of the Ceremonies.

The same Day the Heer Van Borsele, late Ambassador-Extraordinary from their High and Mightinesses the States General, having receiv'd Orders to take upon him his former Character of Envoy-Extraordinary, had also a private Audience of His Majesty in that Quality; he was introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend, one of His Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrell, Master of the Ceremonies.

They were immediately after conducted by the Master of the Ceremonies to private Audiences of their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales in their respective Apartments.

A General Court of all the Adventurers of the Royal African Company of England, is appointed to be held at the African House in Leadenball-street on Wednesday the 16th of this Instant May, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, about special Affairs relating to the said Company.

Advertisements.

THE Reversion of an Estate at Icklesham in the County of Sussex, in Jointure to the Countess Dowager of Winchester, is, pursuant to a Decree of the High-Court of Chancery, to be sold before Sir Thomas Gery, one of the Masters of the said Court, at his House in Old Southampton-Building, near Chancery-Lane: Where Particulars may be had.

SUCH of the Creditors of Charles Pittfield, Gent. deceased, as have not already proved their Debts, are, pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, to prove the same before Sir Thomas Gery, one of the Masters of the said Court, at his House in Old Southampton-Buildings near Chancery-Lane, on or before the 6th Day of June next, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Decree.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Rowland Hill, of the Town and County of the Towns of Nottingham, Grocer, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 18th and 21st of May Instant, and on the 11th of June next, at Nine in the Forenoon on each Days, at the House of Mr. Edward Sandby, being the Sign of the Unicorn on the Long Row within the Town of Nottingham; at the first of which sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuse Assignees.

WHEREAS a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Lawrence De la Chambre of London, Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 16th and 25th of May Instant, and on the 12th of June next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the first of which sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuse Assignees.