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St. James's, May 28.

THIS being His Majesty's Birth-Day, there was a very numerous and splendid Appearance at Court of the Nobility and other Persons of Distinction; and at Night there were Illuminations, Bonfires, and other publick Demonstrations of Joy throughout London and Westminster.

St. James's, May 28. The following Address having been transmitted hither, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable James Stanhope, Esq; one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

An humble Address of the Honourable the Lieutenant Governour, Council and Assembly of the Island of Antigua.

Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

Venice, May 9. Letters from Rome of the 5th Instant advise, that the Ambassador of Portugal had dispatched a Courier to Lisbon with a Letter from the Pope to the King his Master, by which the Pope allows the levying the Tenths of all Ecclesiastical Revenues in Portugal, towards defraying the Charge of fitting out the Men of War which are to joyn the Venetian Fleet. Men were working with all Diligence in fitting out those which the Pope is to furnish, as also some light Vessels designed to defend the Coasts against the Corsairs, of Dulcigno. Part of the Soldiers usually quartered in Rome were marched to

joyn the Militia of Ascoli, and of the neighbouring Towns, and they are to have their head Quarters at Recanati for covering Loretto. Which Precautions were judged necessary, because some Corsairs of Barbary had lately appeared on the Coasts of the Ecclesiastical State. 'Tis advised from Dalmatia by Letters of the 22d past, that General Emo, Count Nostirz, and other chief Officers were on their Departure from Spalatro for Zara and Cattaro, to view the Fortifications, take a Review of the Troops, and give the necessary Orders for the Security of those Places.

Dublin, May 21. On the 19th Instant their Excellencies the Lords Justices went to the House of Peers with the usual Ceremony, and the Commons being sent for thither, their Excellencies gave the Royal Assent to

An Act for continuing to His Majesty the additional Duty on Beer, Ale, strong Waters, Tobacco, and other Goods and Merchandizes.

On which Occasion the Speaker of the House of Commons made the following Speech to their Excellencies.

May it please your Excellencies,

THE Business of the Session not being yet over, I am thereby deprived of an Opportunity of enumerating many Particulars which I am persuaded will redound to the Honour of your Excellencies Administration, and greatly conduce to the Happiness and Security of this Kingdom.

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