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AT the Court at *Hampton-Court*, the 22d of *August*, 1717.

P R E S E N T,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

UPON reading this Day at the Board a Presentment by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, dated the 19th of July last, to the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, in the Words following, viz.

WE have had frequent Complaints from our Officers in several Parts of the Coast of this Kingdom, that the Smugglers are now grown so very numerous and insolent, that they appear in Bodies from 20 to 30 armed Men, and in Defence of the Officers of the Customs, do torribly run great Quantities of Goods, to the great Prejudice of the Revenue and the fair Traders, a fresh Instance whereof we have now before us from one of our Officers at Stockton; who hath represented to us, in his Letter of the 7th Instant, (Copy whereof is hereto annexed, for your Lordships more particular Information) that upon Notice of a considerable Quantity of Goods being run near that Port, he applied to the Commanding Officer of two Troops of Dragoons now quartered there, to assist him in securing the said Goods, but was refused such Assistance by the said Officer, notwithstanding the Clause in the Act of Frauds, 14 Car. II. requires the same: Such commanding Officer alledging, that he had no Orders to assist any Officer of the Customs in the Execution of his Duty. We have therefore thought it our Duty to lay this Matter before your Lordships, and humbly pray that you will please to be a means, that the Military Officers quartered not only in and about Stockton, but also on other Parts of the Coast of this Kingdom, may be directed to assist the Officers of the Customs, as there shall be Occasion, in Seizing uncustomed and prohibited Goods.

HIS Majesty taking the same into Consideration, is pleased, with the Advice of His Privy Council, to Order, and it is hereby Ordered, That His Majesty's Secretary at War, do forthwith cause Directions to be given to the Military Officers quartered on, or near the Sea-Coast, throughout England as well as Scotland, That they be assisting to the Civil Magistrates, when desired by them and the Officers of the Customs for the Executing Legal Processes, and other Matters relating to His Majesty's Service, in hindring the Exportation of Wooll, and Illegal Importation of French Silks, Brandy, and other Goods, and preventing the evil Practices complained of in the said Presentment.

J. A. VERNON.

*Dublin, August 30.*

To His Grace Charles Duke of Bolton, Lord Lieutenant-General, and General-Governour of His Majesty's Kingdom of Ireland.

The humble Address of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled.

*May it please your Grace,*

IT is with great Satisfaction, that we the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, have heard the many Expressions of His Majesty's Royal Favour and Goodness towards us, in your Grace's most excellent Speech from the Throne.

We were alarmed during our last Session, and threatened by a most Horrid and Unnatural Rebellion raised within His Majesty's Kingdom of Great-Britain, which if it had prevailed must of Necessity have involved this Kingdom also in the Common Ruin. But the great Wisdom and Steadiness of His Majesty's Government in that most Critical Juncture, being assisted and conducted by the good Providence of God, has not only freed us from the Apprehensions under which we then lay; but also given us such a pleasing Prospect of Peace and Tranquility, as we have great Reason to hope will secure our common Happiness, and transmit it down to future Generations.

We have the Pleasure to find by your Grace's Speech, that our Zeal and Indignation against the horrid Designs which were formed against His Majesty's Person and Government, and Royal Family, and the Duty and Loyalty shewn by us at that Time, were graciously accepted by His Majesty: And now crave Leave to express our Joy for the Suppression of that most horrid Rebellion, and for the quiet and peaceable Condition into which His Majesty, by Alliances formed abroad, and by His Wisdom, Justice and Clemency at home, has happily put his Dominions.

Nor ought it to be passed over in Silence, that His Majesty, by His Royal Pardon and Act of Grace, has done all that is possible to reconcile even His greatest Enemies to His Royal Person and Government; except there be any of them who still remain as ungratefully insensible of His Majesty's Clemency, as hitherto they have wickedly been of their own Duty.

We take it also as a singular Instance of His Majesty's Favour to us, that he has been pleased to appoint your Grace Chief Governour of this Kingdom. We remember, with Pleasure, the great Advantages we formerly enjoyed under your Grace's Administration; and promise our selves the Continuance of the like, or greater from your early and faithful Adherence to His late Majesty King William, of ever Glorious Memory; from your firm Zeal for the Interest of our present happy Establishment both in Church and State; and from the particular Favour and Kindness your Grace is pleased to express towards this Kingdom.

To which Address his Grace was pleas'd to make the following Answer.

I Am very sensible of your Lordships good Inclinations and Kindness to me express'd in your Address, and fully convinced, that your Lordships will continue to promote at all times, what shall be for His Majesty's Service, and the Good of the Kingdom.

To his Grace Charles Duke of Bolton, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governour of Ireland.

The humble Address of the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeses in Parliament assembled.

*May it please your Grace,*

WE His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Commons of Ireland in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to return your Grace our humble and hearty Thanks for your excellent Speech to both Houses of Parliament.

His Majesty, in the whole Course of His Reign, has shewn the tenderest Regard for the Safety and Prosperity of His People, and has now given us a very signal Instance in appointing your Grace to be our Governour, whose early and distinguished Zeal in promoting and bringing about the late happy Revolution, (which rescued us from Popery and Slavery, and secured to us the Blessings we now enjoy) and whose steady Adherence to those Principles which then animated your Grace, leave us no room to doubt the Preservation of our Religious and Civil Rights during your Grace's Administration.

His Majesty's gracious Acceptance of our faithful Endeavours for His Service during the late Unnatural Rebellion, and His singular Goodness in passing the Act in the Parliament of Great Britain for continuing the Liberty of exporting our Linnen Manufactures to the British Plantations, call for the utmost grateful Acknowledgments from a loyal People to the best of Princes.

We reflect with Pleasure on the Happiness this Kingdom formerly enjoyed in your Grace's just and mild Government, when one of the Lords Justices under His late Majesty King William of glorious Memory, and on the Well-grounded Hopes we entertain of the Continuance thereof from the Reduction and Regulation of the Civil and Military Lists; a grateful Sense of which, as well as our inviolable

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Duty and Affection to His Majesty, will engage us to proceed with the utmost Cheerfulness and Unanimity, in granting such Aids and Supplies as shall be necessary to maintain the publick Credit, and Support His Majesty's Government with Honour, and in doing whatever else may be requisite to render your Grace's Administration easy and happy.

To which Address his Grace was pleased to make the following Answer.

**I**t is a great Satisfaction to me to find those Expressions of Respect and Kindness towards me contained in your Address; and I shall make it my Business to continue you in the same Dispositions, by doing every Thing in my Power for the Good of the Kingdom.

*Lisbon, Aug. 28. N.S.* The young Prince is to be christened to Morrow. The Pope is to be his Godfather, and the Prince Dom Antonio is to stand for him.

*Paris, Sept. 15. N.S.* We have received certain Advice from Madrid, that the King of Spain has countermanded the third Imbarcation of Troops which he intended, and for which Preparations were made at Barcelona, and has sent Orders to his Fleet to return after the Expedition of Sardinia; the Governour of which Island has retired into the Castle of Cagliari with 500 Men, and holds it out against the Spanish Forces, who are exposed to the Heats, which in that Climate at this time of the Year are always pestilential. These Orders for the Return of the Fleet are attributed to the pressing Instances made by the Ministers of Great Britain and France to the Court of Madrid. On the 6th Instant Mr. Stanhope, His Britannick Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary to the King of Spain, arrived here; and has since been twice in Conference with the Earl of Stair, and once with the Marshal d'Huxelles; and on the 9th Instant had an Audience of his Royal Highness the Regent. He designs, in two or three Days, to proceed to the Court of Madrid.

*Dunkirk, Sept. 16. N.S.* On Monday last they began the Construction of the new Bajoyer at Mardyke, which reduces the lesser Passage to the Breadth of 16 Foot; and they continue to carry on the other Parts of the Work of the Sluyce, with all the Application imaginable; the Bajoyer of the West Side of the great Passage, as also the 10 Foot of the Pile on the opposite Side, being almost every where levelled with the Radiers, whereof a great Part of the upper Plankings and Bufques are already taken up, and some of the upper Traversines removed; so that they expect in six Weeks or two Months at furthest, to finish both the Demolition of the great Passage and Construction of the lesser, according to the Treaty.

*The Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy give Notice, That on the following Days in the Forenoon, they shall be ready to receive Proposals, and treat with such Persons as are inclinable to furnish Oxen and Hogs at the several Ports hereafter mentioned, for the Service of His Majesty's Navy, viz. On Friday the 27th Instant for the Ports of London and Plymouth. On Monday the 30th Instant for Portsmouth and Dover.*

By the Commissioners appointed to examine and determine the Debts due to the Army.

*Notice is hereby given, that the said Commissioners will soon be ready to certify the Arrears due to the Officers of the Earl of Gallway's late Spanish Regiment of Foot: Therefore all Persons having Assignments upon the Pay of any of the said Officers, are required to enter forthwith their said Assignments with Captain Amy de Piaget, late an Officer in the said Regiment, who is appointed by the said Commissioners to take an exact Account of the said Assignments, and lay the same before the Commissioners on Monday the 30th Instant, so far as shall be agreed on between the Assignors and Assignees respectively; and where any Dispute shall arise touching any Assignment, the Parties concern'd may apply to the Commissioners at their Office in Dorset-Court, Westminster.*

Royal Hospital at Greenwich, Sept. 7, 1717.

*The Directors of His Majesty's Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich, do hereby give Notice, That such Persons who are willing to furnish the Brewhouse that is fitting up there with Back-makers, Mill-wrights, Coopers, and Pump-makers Work, do deliver in their Proposals to*

*them, seven days before the said Brewhouse, at a certain time in the Forenoon, in the said Hospital, and in the mean time they may be inform'd of the Steward of the Hospital what Utensils are wanting.*

*The Accountant-General and Cashier of the Bank of England give Notice, that they are ready to receive at the Bank, the Orders that were subscribed for Annuities at 5 l. per Cent. per Annum, on or before the 20th of August last, and that Credit will be given for the same with all Expedition, and farther Notice will be given when the Books are ready for making Transfers.*

*The Subscription at Mercers Hall in Cheapside, for raising a Fund of one or two Millions Sterling, in order to incorporate a Company for Insurance of Ships, Merchandize, &c. was opened the 12th of August last; begun by an eminent Merchant, and subscribed by several others; but being desired to be shut till some Alterations were made, and till several who intend to subscribe largely can come to Town to subscribe for themselves: Notice is hereby given, That pursuant to the Desire of several considerable Merchants the following Alterations are made, by and with the Consent of those who have already subscribed, viz. Whereas the Subscription was at first limited to such as are Natives or Naturalized, It is agreed to admit any who are His Majesty's Subjects, Men of Substance and Property; And instead of One per Cent. no Subscriber shall pay more than Half per Cent. towards the Charges of Forming the Company, and Obtaining a Charter. N. B. The Subscription will be open till on Wednesday the 25th Instant at Eight in the Evening. No Subscriber is obliged to pay any thing till the Managers, &c. are chosen, nor then, if he do not like the Company. Abstracts of the Articles are delivered (Gratis) to those that come or send for them to the Hall.*

#### Advertisements.

**W**hereas several Fee Farm Rents, and other Rents in the Counties of Linc In and Essex, due and payable to Charles May, Esq; There a Certificate to give Notice to all Persons concerned in the Payment thereof, that the said Charles May hath appointed Mr. Wm. Hawley, in Roswell-Court, N<sup>o</sup> 20. near Temple-Bar, to receive the said Rents, formerly received by Mr. Joseph Hornby deceased; and the said Mr. William Hawley gives Notice, that the Day of Payment will be at the Post-House in Bolton the 3d of October next in Lincolnshire, and in Chelmsford in Essex the 2d of November following: All Persons concerned are desired to take Notice of the Days of Payment.

**W**hereas a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded against Nicholas Bolles, of St. Clements Danes, in the County of Middlesex, Victualler, and he being declared a Bankrupt; This is to give Notice, that the Commissioners intend to meet on the 13th of September Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall London; where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution-Money; at which Time the Commissioners will appoint Assignees. And all Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or other Effects of his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person but whom the Commissioners shall appoint; but are desired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Thomas Horfenell, Attorney at Law, at his Chambers in the Temple.

**T**H E Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Charles Hughes, of Newberry, in the County of Berks, Clothier, intend to meet on the 3d of October next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a 2d Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts and paid Contribution-Money, are then to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

**T**H E Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Higdon, late of the Town of Kingston upon Hull, Merchant, intend to meet on the 20th of September Instant, at Nine in the Forenoon, at the House of Mr. Garratt, at the Sign of the King's Head in the High-Street in Kingston upon Hull aforesaid, to make a Distribution of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts and paid their Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend, which will be forthwith made: And the said John Higdon having surrendered himself pursuant to Notice, and been several times examined, will then and there attend to finish his Examination; and the Creditors are then and there to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

**T**H E Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against William Blomfield, of Mendlesham, in the County of Suffolk, Cheefe-Factor, intend to meet on the 15th Instant, at Nine in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

