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Westminster, November 21.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, Sir William Oldes, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to make the following most Gracious Speech to both Houses.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Am very glad I have been able to bring the Sitting of Parliament into a more proper and usual Season of the Year: I hope such an early Meeting will not only be a Benefit to the Publick, but a Convenience to your private Affairs.

As I have always had at Heart the Security and Ease of my People; so I never kept up any Troops but for their Protection, and have taken every Opportunity to disband as many as I thought consistent with their Safety. I have reduced the Army to very near one half since the beginning of the last Session of Parliament, and lessened them to such a Number as will neither be a Burthen to my good Subjects, nor an Encouragement to our Enemies to insult them.

You cannot but be sensible of the many Attempts which have been set on foot to disturb the Peace of Europe, and of these Kingdoms: They only pretend not to see, who are not afraid of them. But as no Application has been wanting on my Part to preserve the Publick Tranquillity; I have the Pleasure to find my good Offices have not been altogether Unsuccessful, and have Reason to hope they will, in the End, have their full and desired Effect.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I question not but you are very well pleased to find, that your Endeavours for lessening the National Debts, have at the same Time raised the Publick Credit; and that whatever was proposed for that End, is actually and completely effected. This Success must chiefly be attributed to that just and prudent Regard you have shewn to Parliamentary Engagements.

It was with the View of procuring and settling a lasting Tranquillity, that I demanded the extraordinary Supply which you granted me last Session. The Credit which this Confidence reposed in me hath given us Abroad, has already been so far effectual, that I can acquaint you we have a much better Prospect than we had. I have ordered an Account to be laid before you of the very small Part of that Supply which as yet has been expended; any farther Issues that may be made of it shall be also laid before you: And you may be assured, that every Part of it shall either be employed for your Service, or saved to the Publick.

I have ordered to be laid before you a State of the Deficiencies of the present Year, and the several Estimates for the Service of the next, which you will find considerably diminished. I rely upon your making the necessary Provision for them; not doubting of the Continuance of that Zeal for the Good of your Country, which hath been so eminently conspicuous in every Session of this Parliament.

I cannot, in Justice, avoid putting you in mind, that several Arrears of Pay and Subsidy, incurred before my Accession to the Crown, are claimed by Foreign Princes and States: I shall order them to be laid before you, to the End you may put them in a Method of being examined and stated; which will very much tend to the Honour and Credit of the Nation.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I could heartily wish, that at a Time when the Common Enemies of our Religion are, by all Manner of Artifices, endeavouring to undermine and weaken it both at Home and Abroad, all those who are Friends to our present happy Establishment; might unanimously concur in some proper Method for the greater strengthening the Protestant Interest; of which, as the Church of England is unquestionably the main Support and Bulwark, so will she reap the principal Benefit of every Advantage accruing by the Union and mutual Charity of all Protestants.

As none can recommend themselves more effectually to my Favour and Countenance than by a sincere Zeal for the just Rights of the Crown, and the Liberties of the People; so I am determined to encourage all those who act agreeably to the Constitution of these my Kingdoms, and consequently to the Principles on which my Government is founded.

The Eyes of all Europe are upon you at this Critical Juncture: It is your Interest, for which Reason I think it mine, that my Endeavours for procuring the Peace and Quiet of Christendom should take Effect. Nothing can so much contribute to this desirable End, as Unanimity, Dispatch, and Vigour of your Resolutions for the Support of my Government.

Genoa, Nov. 16. This Day came in a Felucca dispatched by the Marquess de Rubi, Viceroy of Sardinia, who is hourly expected in another Felucca: This has brought Advice, that the Town and Castle of Alguero surrendered to the Spaniards on the 28th of October, and Castel Arragonese on the 30th, both on the same Capitulation as Cagliari. The Letters add, that 4000 of the Spaniards were to be left on the Island of Sardinia, and the rest to be embarked for Catalonia.

Dublin, Nov. 14. The Packets which arrived here this Morning having brought the happy News of her Royal Highness's being safe delivered of a Prince, the same was received here with all suitable Demonstrations of Joy. Orders were immediately given for the Cannon to be discharged; and for the three Regiments quartered here to draw out, and to fire Volleys. The Evening concluded with Bonfires, Illuminations, and a Ball at the Castle.

Whitehall, Nov. 22. His Majesty has been pleased to appoint William Dalrymple, Esq; Sir John Swinton, Sir James Smallet, and Sir Patrick Johnston, Barts. Alexander Abercrombie, Patrick Campbell, and Robert Johnston, Esqs; Commissioners of the Equivalent.

By Order of the Right Honourable the Earl of Suffolk and Bindon, Deputy Earl Marshal of England.

The Post-Boy of Thursday the 14th of this Instant November, giving an Account, That on the Monday preceding, the Corps of Francis Tyssen, Esq; lay in State at Goldsmiths-Hall, in so grand and compleat a Manner as had not been seen before, and that on the Monday following, lying in State all that Day, was carried in great Procession, with four of the King's Trumpets, &c. with

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† L^{td} Horse in a Velvet Caparison, and all the Trophies proper to a Gentleman, on that Occasion, to Hackney, where he was interr'd to the entire Satisfaction of all Spectators: This is therefore to satisfy the Publick, That Application having been made to His Majesty's Servants, the Officers of Arms, to direct and Marshal the said Funeral, they were ready to consent thereto, but the Manner in which the Body was set forth, and also a Led Horse, Trumpets, a Guidon and six Pennons, with a Coach of State being insisted upon by some of the Persons concern'd in the said Funeral, to be used thereat, (all which far exceeded the Quality of the deceased, he being only a private Gentleman) the said Officers refused to give their Attendance at the said Funeral, although of Right, they ought to have born the Trophies, proper to the Degree of the Deceased; notwithstanding which, the same were carried by improper Persons, in so very irregular and unjustifiable a Manner, that not any one of the said Trophies was carried in its Right Place. Which Licentious Liberty taken of late Years by ignorant Pretenders, to Marshal and set forth the Funerals of the Nobility, Gentry, and others, (too often above their State and Quality) is not only an open Violation of the several Establish'd Rules and Orders heretofore made for the Enterments of all Degrees, but highly tends to the Lessening of the Rights and Honour of the Nobility and Gentry in general, and more especially when the Funerals of ignoble Persons are set forth by them with such Trophies of Honour, as belong only to the Peers and Gentry of this Realm.

On Thursday the Fifth of December next, at Two in the Afternoon, will be expos'd to Sale at the House of Mr. John Adams, Innkeeper in Penzance, a Vessel lately employ'd in His Majesty's Service in the Customs, called the Penzance Smack, Burthen about 40 Tons, together with her Boat, Tackle, Apparel and Furniture: Inventories may be seen at the Custom-Houses of the Ports of Plymouth, Falmouth, Penryn, St. Ives, Fowey and Looe, and at the King's Ware-House at the Custom-House, London; and the Smack may be viewed by any Person that applies to the Collector of the Customs at Penzance.

The Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company give Notice, That they will continue all such of their Bonds as become due in the Month of December next, for one Year longer, at four per Cent. per Annum Interest, to all such Persons as shall desire the same, and bring them to their Cashier at the South-Sea House in Broad-Street, London, to be noted for that Purpose, on or before the 3d of December next; and that all such Bonds as shall not be so brought and noted, will be paid by the Company at their said House, on the respective Days they shall become due.

Mercers-Hall, November 21, 1717.

At a General Meeting of the Subscribers for raising a Fund for Insurance of Ships and Merchandize, Resolved Nemine Contradicente, That the Subscription shall be closed as soon as the Sum of one Million Sterling shall be subscribed; or on the 16th of January next at farthest. That the Subscribers shall receive every half Year all the Interest of the Money they shall deposit towards this Fund, from the Day they pay it into the Treasurers Hands, (as the same shall arise from the publick Funds, or otherwise as it shall be improv'd;) and also one half of the clear Profits; the other half shall remain in the Treasurers Hands, to augment the Stock in Hand, till it shall exceed one fourth Part of the whole Sum subscribed: And then all the Profits over and above the fourth Part of the Subscription, shall be divided every half Year; and the Deposited Money shall always be made up, whenever (by Losses) it shall be less than a tenth Part of the Sum subscribed. N. B. The Printed Abstracts and Reasons are deliver'd (Gratis) to such Merchants, and others, as come or send for them to the Hall.

To be Let by Lease from the Merchant Taylors Company, a Slaughter-House in the Tenure of Mr. Markham, and seven Tenements adjoining, situate in Moor-Lane; and four Tenements in Tainter-Alley in Little Moor-fields, in the Tenure of Mr. Marshall, Mr. Wilcocks, Mr. Mews and Mr. Jones; for which Purpose a Committee will sit at

Merchant-Taylors-Hall on the 27th Instant, at Nine in the Forenoon: Further Information of the Premises may be had of Mr. Geo. North, Clerk to the said Company, at the said Hall.

Advertisements.

* * An Answer to the Representation drawn up by the Committee of the Lower House of Convocation, concerning several dangerous Positions and Doctrines contain'd in the Bishop of Bangor's Prelervative and Sermon. By Benjamin, Lord Bishop of Bangor. Printed for James Knapton at the Crown, and Timothy Childe at the White Hart, in St. Paul's Church-Yard. Price bound 4s.

†† Last Thursday was published, A Print of one of the Battles of his Grace the D. of Marlborough: After the Paintings of Mr. Lewis Leguarre in his Grace's House, St. James's; which compleats the whole that is painted there: Curiously engraven, the same Size as the former six. Printed and sold by Tho. Bowles next to the Chapter House, St. Paul's Church Yard; and H. Overton, at the White Horse without Newgate; at which Places are to be had the whole Set.

Several Freehold Messuages and Tenements, to d about an Acre and an half of void Ground, situate in and near New Gravel-Lane, Shadwell, late the Estate of Thomas Rouse, Gent. deceased, being about the yearly Value of 150 l. are to be sold by the Decease of the High Court of Chancery to the best Bidder, before John Bennett, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court. Particulars may be had at the said Master's House in Chancery-Lane.

Whereas Wm. Woolgar, Citizen and Merchant-Taylor of London, deceased, by his last Will charges his Estate therein mentioned with the Payment of his Debts in general; and also directs that his Creditors with whom he had compounded in his Life-time, and had discharged him, should however be respectively paid so much as would make up what they had before received Twenty Shillings in the Pound: The said Creditors are therefore, pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, to come in forthwith and prove their Debts before Sir Thomas Gery, one of the Masters of the said Court, at his House in Old Southampton Buildings, near Chancery-Lane, or they will be excluded; and the Money arising by the Sale of his House called the Pennsylvania Coffee-House in Birch-Lane, in his said Will mentioned, divided according to his said Will.

To be sold a black Mare, 4 Years old next Spring, 14 Hands high, her near Foot before white above the Fetter-Lock, the Right before white but not up to the Fetter-Lock, as also the Right behind, a broad Star in her Forehead with white down her Face, and had a whisk Tail when steeled (as is supposed by a young Fellow burnt in the Hand, and hath a Scar in his upper Lip) out of the Grounds of Edmond Skyrme near Hereford. Whoever secures the Mare and the Person that stole her, so as the right Owner may have her again, shall have three Guineas Reward, to be paid by Charles Crumpe of Mercers-Hall, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against William Kirchholt, late of London, Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 28th Instant, and on the 5th and 23d of December 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 choose Assignees.

Whereas a renewed Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded against Samuel Davis, of London, Copper-Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 28th of November Instant, and on the 5th and 23d of December next, at Three in the Afternoon of each Day, at Guildhall, London; At the first of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and choose Assignees.

The Commissioners in a renewed Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Hopper, late of the City of Bristol, Hofer, deceased, intend to meet on Tuesday the 17th of December next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at the House of Mary Leadbetter, Widow, situate in All Saints-Lane in Bristol, commonly called the Elephant Coffee-House; in order to make a 3d Dividend 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.

The Commissioners in a renewed Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Joan Jones, late of Wellington, in the County of Somerset, Mercer, intend to meet on the 20th of December next, at Three in the Afternoon, 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 and paid Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against George Frocock, late of Cambridge, Milliner, intend to meet on the 11th of December next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to choose a new Assignee in the Place and Stead of Christopher Topham, a Bankrupt, pursuant to an Order made by the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain the 22d of October last for that Purpose.

