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**A**T the Court at St. James's, the 2d Day of February, 1717.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to appoint the following Sheriffs, viz.

Hertford,	Pulter Forester, Esq;
Leicester,	Thomas Smith, Esq;
Stafford,	Thomas Whitby, Esq;
Surrey,	John Van Hattem, Esq;
Flint,	John Midleton, Esq;
Merioneth,	Griffith Wynne, Esq;

*Whitehall, Feb. 3.* On the 1st Instant a considerable Number of the Principal Proprietors in the South-Sea Company waited on His Majesty at St. James's, and being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, Lord Chamberlain, presented the following Address to His Majesty. They were all admitted to kiss His Majesty's Hand, and His Majesty was pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood on George Caswall, Esq;

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

**T**HE General Court of the South-Sea Company, crave Leave to acknowledge, with the greatest Sense of Gratitude, the many Marks of Your Royal Favour, which the Company have received ever since Your Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown; and in particular, the Honour done them in becoming a Proprietor in their Stock.

They therefore do, in the most Humble and Dutiful Manner, beseech Your Majesty will be graciously pleased to grant them the further Honour of using Your Royal Name for their Governour in the ensuing Election.

His Majesty's most Gracious Answer.

Gentlemen,

**I** Thank you for this Address, and take this as a Mark of your Duty and Affection to Me: 'Tis a very great Satisfaction to Me, that I have had it in my Power to do you Good; and you may depend upon the Continuance of My Favour and Protection upon all Occasions.

*Westminster, February 3.*

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 give the Royal Assent to

*An Act to enable His Majesty to be Governour of the South-Sea Company;*  
And to three private Acts.

*Madrid, Jan. 17.* On the 13th Instant arrived a Courier in eight Days from Paris, with Dispatches for the Duke de St. Aignan Ambassadour of France, who the same Day had a Conference with Cardinal Alberoni. We have Advice from Buenos Ayres, that a Spanish Man of War commanded by Captain Urdinzo, had brought in thither a French Ship richly laden which was coming from the South-Sea on her Return to Europe. The Marques Mari, who commanded the Squadron employed in the Expedition against Sardinia, is gone to Montpellier, being in an ill State of Health; and 'tis said Admiral Castaneta will be appointed to command the Fleet the ensuing Summer. The King has given Order for paying to the Counsellours of the several Councils their Salaries to the End of December last. Letters from Cadiz advise, that on the 7th Instant arrived there from Barcelona eight Men of War, viz. one of 80, one of 70, four of 60, one of 50, and one of 40 Guns; with a Fireship and two Hospital-Ships. We have an Account from Barcelona, that Preparations are making there for imbarcking the two Regiments of Dragoons of Pezuela and Vallexo, which 'tis said are to be transported to Sardinia.

*Paris, Feb. 9.* On the 7th Instant the Parliament sent a Deputation to the Duke Regent, consisting of twelve Counsellours with the first President at their Head. 'Tis since reported, that they represented to his Royal Highness that the many Councils now in being are unnecessary and useles, as occasioning great Delays in the publick Business, and being besides very chargeable to the King. 'Tis said they likewise desired that an Answer might be returned to the Remonstrances which the Parliament had caused to be made to His Majesty.

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The Apartments of the Duke de Chartres, are fitting up for the Reception of the Duke and Dutches of Lorraine, who are expected here in a few Days. On the 28th of last Month M. D'Argenson, Counsellour of State and Lieutenant-General de Police, was made Keeper of the Seals; and the same Day he took the usual Oath to the King, in Presence of the Duke of Orleans; M. Maghault Master of Requests, and Counsellour of the Council of Commerce, succeeds him as Lieutenant-General de Police.

Navy-Office, Dec. 13, 1717

Whereas it was set forth by a Publication in the Gazette, bearing Date the 17th of July last, and inserted in the succeeding Gazettes to the end of August following; that by Act of Parliament made in the 12th Year of Queen Anne, the Sum of 3000 l. was given to be equally distributed amongst the Chaplains who had served in the Fleet during the late War, &c. And by a Clause in an Act of Parliament made in the 3d Year of His present Majesty King George, entitled, An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land Tax, &c. for settling in what Proportions the said Sum should be paid; it is thereby directed, that the said 3000 l. shall be distributed to such of the said Chaplains who served in the Fleet during the late War, and which were not in Her Majesty's Service in the Fleet, or had not some Ecclesiastical Living or Preferment on the 16th of November 1711, to the Value of 50 l. per Annum or more; and it was being known which (if any) of them had any Ecclesiastical Livings or Preferments on the said 16th of November 1713, which must be ascertain'd before a full Adjustment can be made of the Proportions of the said 3000 l. to be distributed among those who shall appear to have a Right thereto, according to the said Act: And whereas, since the forecited Publications in the Gazette, there have been brought to the Office but 21 Affidavits, of 312 Chaplains, who appear by a Collection made at the Navy-Office to have served on board the Fleet within the aforesaid Time; Those are further to give Notice, that every Chaplain, or the Executors or Administrators of any such Chaplain, who had not any Preferment as aforesaid, and have not delivered to the Navy-Office their Affidavits, pursuant to the former Publication, do bring or send them thither, by or before the 17th of July next, in order to have their Claims entered; which Affidavits are to be made before a proper Magistrate, attesting that they had no such Living or Preferment at the Time mentioned in the Act, and are also to be signed by the Chaplains or the Executors or Administrators of such; after which Time the List will be adjusted and closed, and no further Claims admitted.

Whereas the Master, Wardens and Company of Gun-makers of the City of London, have been informed, That some evil disposed Persons have marked Gun and Pistol Barrels with counterfeit Marks, in Imitation of the said Company's Marks, as if such Barrels had been duly viewed, proved and stamped at the said Company's Proof-House, to the great Deceit and Peril of His Majesty's Subjects; for Prevention whereof, whosoever shall discover any Offender or Offenders in the Premises, to the Master, or either of the Wardens of the said Company, shall receive a Reward of five Guineas, so as that such Offender or Offenders shall be legally convicted.

#### Advertisements.

THE remaining Part of the Estate of the Right Honourable Thomas Lord Fairfax, deceased, consisting of the Mannor of Davy Hall, and several Messuages and a Rent of 7 l. 12 s. and 1 d. per Annum, all in the City of York; and the perpetual Advowson of Newton, and some small Quit, Rents and Estates in the County of York (all which are Estates in Fee-Simple;) and the Forest of Knaresborough, in the County of York, held by Lease from the Crown, are, by Virtue of a Decree of the High Court of Chancery to be sold to the best Bidder, before John Bennett, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his House in Chancery Lane, on the 18th Instant, between Eleven and Twelve of the forenoon; where Particulars may be had.

Notice is hereby given, there is resting in the Custody of Mr. Lovibond, one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, a small Gold Watch set with Diamonds, supposed to be of the Value of 200 l. left in the Year 1698 with Mr. Pitt, therefore of the Masters of the said Court, in a Cause depending there between Ince and Colt; and likewise a Transport Debenture for 200 l. Principal, dated 10 April 1708, N<sup>o</sup> 1235, payable to Stephen Alexander, Master of the Ship Leviathan, and left with the said Mr. Pitt in the Year 1709, in a Cause between Hays and Alexander: Any Person or Persons entitled to the same, may have them delivered over to them by the said Master Lovibond.

These are to give Notice, that the real Estate, late Mr. William Astle's in Tatton, and his Leathold Estates in Rotherneham in the County ofeshire of Chester, by Virtue of a Decree of the Court of Exchequer at Cheller, are to be exposed to Sale for the better Payment of his Debts; and will be sold by the Deputy Baron of the same Court, on Monday the 17th Instant, at Sandywayhead, formerly called Down, between the Hours of Twelve and Four the same Day, to the best Bidder.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Lemuel Rock, late of Liverpool, in the County of Lancaster Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt; this is to give Notice, that the Commissioners intend to meet on the 10th Instant, at Two in the Afternoon, at the House of Mr. John Seacom in Liverpool, where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay 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 such only as the Commissioners shall appoint.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against John Keene, of Bait Smithfield, in the County of Middlesex, Draper, and he being declared a Bankrupt; this is to give Notice, that the Commissioners intend to meet on the 13th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay 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 such only as the Commissioners shall appoint, but are forthwith to give Notice to Mr. Joshua Hinton, Attorney at Law, in Distaff-lane, near Friday-street, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded against Thomas Watts, of Southampton, Grocer, who hath been declared a Bankrupt, an Assignement made of his Estate by the Commissioners to Francis Gore, of Breadstreet, London, Driller, and Jude Chippendale, of Watlingstreet, London, Grocer: This is to give Notice, that the said Assignees have appointed a Sale to be made of the said Bankrupt's Goods, at his late Dwelling-house at Southampton, on Wednesday the 3th Instant, to be continued till the same are all sold.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Dibble, late of Abinger, in the County of Surrey, Timber-Merchant, intend to meet on Thursday the 20th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts and paid their Contribution-Money, are then to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend. And the said John Dibble is required to attend the said Commissioners at the Time and Place aforesaid.

The Commissioners in the renewed Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Edmund Harvey late of Puddle-dock, London, Timber-Merchant, intend to meet on the 27th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate (and not on the 13th, as was by mistake inserted in last Friday's Gazette) 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 against Roger Gathorne and Lawrence Fishion, late of London, Linnen-Drapers and Payners, intend to meet at Guildhall, London, on the 28th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, to make a second Dividend of the said Bankrupts Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts and paid their Contribution-Money, are then to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against William Kirchhoff, of London, Merchant, have certified to the Right Honourable William Lord Cowper, Baron of Wingham, Lord High-Chancellor of Great Britain, that he hath in all things conformed himself according to the Directions of the several Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; this is to give Notice, that his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Acts direct, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 24th Instant.