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St. James's, March 10.

A humble Address from the Inhabitants of the Town of Weymouth and Melcomb Regis, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

By the King,

A P R O C L A M A T I O N,
Commanding Apothecaries to follow the Dispensatory lately compiled by the College of Physicians of London.

GEORGE R.

Whereas nothing is more likely to be of fatal Consequence to the Healths and Lives of our Subjects, than the ill compounding or making up of Medicines, to be administered to Persons afflicted with Sickness, contrary to the Prescriptions of their Physicians, besides that a gross Deceit thereby would be put upon the Patients: And whereas there has been compiled, in the Latin Tongue, by the College of Physicians of London, a Book, intituled, Pharmacopœia Londinensis, prescribing and directing Apothecaries the general Forms of dispensing and compounding all sorts of Medicines, distilling Oils and Waters, and making such like Extracts, together with the true Weights and Measures, by which they ought to be made; which Book, through the great Care and Industry of the said College, has been lately revised and amended, and is now perfected, and ready to be published, and is a Work which will greatly tend to the publick Good of our Subjects, by preventing all Deceits, Differences, Varieties, and Uncertainties in making or compounding of the Medicines, and distilling of the Oils or Waters therein mentioned, if, for the future, the Manner and Form prescribed by the said Book should be generally and solely practis'd by Apothecaries and others, in their Compositions of the said Medicines, and Distillations of the said Waters or Oils, &c. We therefore being desirous to provide in all Cases for the common Good of our People; and being perswaded the establishing the general Use of the said Book may tend to the Prevention of such Deceits in the making and compounding Medicines wherein the Lives and Healths of our Subjects are so highly concerned, have, by and with the Advice of our Privy-Council, thought fit to issue this our Royal Proclamation, notifying to all Apothecaries and others concerned, to the Intent they may not pretend Ignorance thereof, that the said Book called Pharmacopœia Londinensis is perfected, and ready to be published: And we therefore strictly require, charge, and command all and singular Apothecaries, and others, whose Business it is to compound Medicines or distilled Oils or Waters, or make other Extracts within any Part of our Kingdom of Great Britain called England, Dominion of Wales, or Town of Berwick upon Tweed, that they and every of them, immediately after the said Pharmacopœia Londinensis shall be printed and published, do not compound or make any Medicine or medicineable Receipt or Prescription, or distil any Oil or Waters, or make other Extracts, that are or shall be in the said Pharmacopœia Londinensis mentioned or named, in any other manner or form than is or shall be directed, prescribed and set down by the said Book, and according to the Weights and Measures that are or shall be therein limited, except it shall be by the special Direction or Prescription of some learned Physician in that behalf. And we do hereby publish and declare that the Offenders to the contrary shall not only incur our just Displeasure, but be proceeded against for such their Conceipt and Offences, according to the utmost Severities of Law.

Given at our Court at St. James's, the Fifth Day of March 1720-21, in the Seventh Year of our Reign.

God save the KING.

Hague, March 18. On the 12th Instant M. Sommerdyck was appointed to command the Squadron which is to be employed this Year against the Algerines. The Captains are to be nominated by the several Admiralties that are to furnish the Ships, of which the Admiralty of Amsterdam is to fit out four, that of the Maese two, Zealand one, North-Holland one, and Friseland two Transports. M. Goes, who is appointed Envoy Extraordinary of the States to the Court of Denmark, set out from hence on the 13th; as did Yesterday M. Hop, their High Mightinesses Ambassadour to the Court of France, on his Return to Paris. Yesterday two Persons being convicted of fishing up (contrary to a Proclamation of the States) some Goods which belonged to Ships that were performing Quarantine, and were wrecked on the Coast, were for that Offence hanged.

Pay-Office, Horse-Guards, March 10, 1720.

Notice is hereby given, that the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have ordered six Months Half-Pay, ending the 24th of December last, for the reduced Officers of His Majesty's Land-Forces and Marines provided for upon the Establishment. R. Walpole.

The Court of Directors of the Royal Academy of Musick do hereby give Notice, that they have ordered a Call of 5 l. per Cent. from each Subscriber, and that the Deputy-Treasurer will attend at the Office, at the Opera-House in the Haymarket, on the 25th, 27th, and 28th Instant, from Nine in the Morning till Two in the Afternoon, in order to receive the same; and all Parties concerned are desired to give Orders for the Payment thereof, at such Time and Place as aforesaid.

A Question having been proposed at a General Court of the South-Company, held on the 9th Instant at Merchant-Taylor's-Hall, in the Words following, viz. "That Stock be forthwith given for the Money paid on the 3d and 4th Money-Subscriptions at the Rate of 40 l. per Cent. with the Midsummer Dividend of 10 per Cent. in Stock to such of the Proprietors therein as shall desire the same." And a Debate arising whether these Words [to such of the Proprietors therein as shall desire the same] should stand Part of the Question, it was put to the Hands and appeared in the Negative; but a Ballot having been at the same time demanded in Form, the said General Court is adjourned to Thursday next, when the said Ballot will be taken at the South-Sea House, from Nine in the Morning till Six in the Evening, in order to determine whether the said Words shall stand Part of the said Question or not.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, that a General Court of the said Company will be holden at the East-India House in Leadenhall-Street, London, on Wednesday the 22d Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon, the same being a Quarterly Court; and that a General Court of the said Company will be holden at the same Place, on Tuesday the 4th of April next, for the Election of 24 Directors for the Year ensuing, which will continue from Nine in the Morning till Six in the Afternoon of the said Day, after which Time no Lists will be taken in; that the Lists of the Members of the said Company will be ready to be delivered at the said House on Tuesday the 28th of this Instant March; and that the Transfer-Books of the said Company will be shut up on Wednesday the 15th of the said March, and opened again on Thursday the 6th of April next.

African-House, March 4, 1720.

The Court of Assistants of the Royal African Company of England do hereby give Notice, that the Proprietors of the ingrafted Stock are required to make the Payment of 3 l. per Cent. upon the said Stock, on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, the 21st, 22d, and 23d Instant, between the Hours of Nine in the Morning and Three in the Afternoon, at the African-House in Leadenhall-Street; which 3 l. per Cent. with the 4 l. per Cent. called in by