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St. James's, May 7.

HIS Majesty having been pleased to appoint his Grace John Duke of Rutland Lord Lieutenant of the County of Leicester, his Grace this Day in Council took the Oaths appointed to be taken, instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

Whereas Information hath this Day been given to His Majesty in Council, that Mr. Levermore, Supervisor of the Riding Officers at Lydd, together with some other Officers under his Inspection, did on the 17th of March last, apprehend one Jacob Walter a notorious Owl and Smugler, who some time since broke out of the Fleet Prison, to which Place he had been committed by Messrs Procefs for transporting of Wooll to France, together with one Thomas Bigg, who is also a noted Smugler; and that with the Assistance of a Constable they secured the said Walter and Bigg at the George Inn in Lydd till the 19th, when the Officers were in a riotous Manner assaulted by several armed Men, who fired upon them, and by Violence rescued the said Walter and Bigg: These are therefore to give Notice, that whoever shall discover the said Jacob Walter, aged about 40 Years, a tall Man, longish Face, ruddy Complexion, stout, well made, wearing a light Wig, and Thomas Bigg about the same Age, a short little Man, round Visage, wearing a black Wig, or any of the following Persons, who were concerned in the rescuing the said Walter and Bigg, viz. Francis Norwood, Gib Jarvis, alias Tomkin, who is said to be shot through the Arm in rescuing the said Walter and Bigg, Edward Jarvis, alias Tomkin, Edward Gibbon, Thomas Stroker, Alexander Green, John Humphreys, or any other Person concerned in the said Rescue, or any of them, so as they may be apprehended and convicted, shall receive the Reward of 40 l. for each of them, to be paid upon such Conviction by the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury; and in case any of the Offenders therein shall make such Discovery (other than the said Walter) that he, or they, will have His Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

Naples, April 25. The Prince Borghese arrived here from Rome on the 21st Instant at Night, and the next Day took Possession of the Viceroyship of this Kingdom; which he is to execute during the Absence of Cardinal Schrottenbach, who is gone to the Conclave at Rome.

Madrid, April 28. On the 21st Instant Colonel Stanhope and the Earl of Portmore re-

turned hither from Aranjuez, and on the 25th his Lordship set out on his Journey for England through France. A Courier is arrived from Rome, with Letters of the 4th Instant, giving an Account that the Cardinals had entered the Conclave: We have no Advice yet of the Arrival of the Cardinals Borgia and Belluga at Alicant, in order to imbark there for Civitavecchia. The Ambassadour of Malta has received by an Expreß from Alicant, an Account of an obstinate Fight between three Maltese Ships of War and four Algerines, in which the largest of the Algerines, carrying about 40 Guns, was taken, though with the Loss of a great Number of Men on Board the Maltese Ships, and among them of 15 Knights. On the 24th we had Advice, that a Ship is come into Cadiz from New Spain, with Letters from the Viceroy the Marquess de Valero, and from Don Ferdinand Chacon Commandet in Chief of the Flota which sailed from Cadiz the Beginning of August last, and arrived safely at Vera Cruz the 26th of October. That Flota is to put to Sea from Vera Cruz before the End of April to return to Spain: The Ship now arrived at Cadiz, has brought about Two Hundred Thousand Pieces of Eight for the Account of private Merchants. And the King has ordered that the Silver shall be delivered forthwith to the Proprietors, without obliging them to send it to the Mint to be coined. A Ship belonging to the South Sea Company of Great Britain, is arrived also at Cadiz from Buenos Ayres, laden with Hides. A Marriage is concluded between the Conde de Parient Grandee of Spain, and a Daughter of the Marquess de Montealigre the King's Cup bearer: Lieutenant General Don Lucas Spinola, has obtained the King's Consent to marry the only Daughter and Heiress of the Conde de Cifuentes, who during her Father's Absence in Germany is under the Guardianship of the Conde de Siruela her Grandfather. It is reported, that the Marquess de Lede will shortly set out for Flanders, in order to marry there. The Marquess de Castelar Secretary at War, has received his Catholick Majesty's Directions, not to make out Commissions for supplying any Vacancy that might happen in the military Employments: And it is said a Resolution is taken to break all the new Regiments raised since 1718, and to incorporate the private Soldiers into the old Corps.