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Whitehall, August 3.

AN humble Address of the Grand Jury, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the County Palatine of Durham, having been transmitted by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Durham Lord Lieutenant of the said County, to the Right Honourable the Lord Carteret one of the Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to His Majesty.

An humble Address of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Corporation of Marlborough, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Hertford.

An humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Gentlemen and Clergy of the County of Leicester, met at the Assizes held for the said County on the 18th of July 1722, having been transmitted by his Grace the Duke of Rutland Lord Lieutenant of that County, has been presented to His Majesty by William Hewett, Esq; introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Carteret one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

Paris, Aug. 8. We have Advices from Rome of the 18th of July, importing, that the Beginning of that Month the Turkish Fleet consisting of 17 Sultanas, 16 Gallies, and other Vessels with Oars, and 60 Transports, approached the Coasts of Sicily near Syracuse and Cape Passaro: The commanding Officers at Syracuse and Noto thought proper to let the Turks furnish themselves with Water and what other Refreshments they required, and the Turks paying punctually for the Provisions they took on Board, no Disorder happened. The Turks reported, that in their Passage they met Captain Golfo, a Venetian Admiral, with six Men of War and some Gallies; and that they saluted each other and then pursued their several Voyages. Letters from Sicily of the 7th of July relate, that the Ottoman Fleet still continued at Cape Passaro, expecting a Reinforcement of more Ships of War and Transports. We have Advice, that the Great Master of the Order of Malta is making all the necessary Preparations for a vigorous Defence in Case of an Attempt by the Turks; and has put 3000 Men into the Fortrefs of Gozzo. The 15th of July the Pope held a Congregation of War, in which it was resolv'd that Orders should be sent to Civita Vecchia for getting together a sufficient Number of Seamen and Soldiers for arming the Pope's six Gallies which are design'd to join the Maltese Gallies, and to convey into the Port of Malta the Italian Knights of that Order; which is however thought a very difficult Enterprize, because of the superior Strength of the Turkish Fleet. The Alarm was so great at Rome and in the adjacent Country upon this Expedition of the Turks, that Orders were sent for all the Militia to be ready to draw out on the first Notice, for as to the regular Troops of the Ecclesiastical State they do not exceed at this Time 600 effective Men. According to our Advices from Florence the Great Duke who was lately in a bad State of Health, is in a good way of Recovery. Very rich Liveries were making at Rome for Cardinal Ottoboni, who is to assist on the Part of the Pope at the most Christian King's Coronation, in the Quality of Legate à Latere. P. S. We have just received an Account by Letters from Sicily of the 9th past, that the Turkish Fleet increased daily, and was then cruising in the Channell of Malta; but it was judg'd, that either their Measures had been disconcerted by the Discovery of a Conspiracy in their favour on the Island of Malta, or that they were waiting still for a further Reinforcement.

Whitehall, August 4.

Count Staremberg is arriv'd from the Imperial Court, with the Character of the Emperour's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to His Majesty.

The Letter signed S. T. was received as directed, but not soon enough to be advertised in the Gazette of Saturday the 29th of July last. If the Person who sent the said Letter will perform what he propos'd, he may depend upon receiving all possible Encouragement.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury being enabled to discharge and cancel the Exchequer Bills, amounting to One Million, which were, on the 7th Day of June 1720, issued by way of Loan, to the South-Sea Company; Their Lordships, according to the Directions of Acts of Parliament in that behalf, do hereby give Notice, That all Persons possess'd of the said Loan Bills, shall have time, till Tuesday the Seventh Day of August 1722, to bring in and deliver the said Bills to any the Tellers of the Receipts of the Exchequer, at their Offices there; who are thereupon to pay to the Bearer of such Bills, the Principal and Interest to the Day on which they shall be so brought, such Day being on or before the Seventh Day of August 1722, as aforesaid: And, if in case the said Bills be not brought in on or before the Day affixed as aforesaid, their Lordships do further signify, that, according to the Directions of the Act 8^o Georgii, all such of the said Bills as shall not be brought in upon this Notice to be discharged, lose their Currency, and no Interest is to grow due thereupon after Lady-Day 1722. And whereas not only the Exchequer Bills, called Loan Bills, now meant to be cancelled, but also all other the Exchequer Bills subsisting at the time the said Loan Bills were issued, carried Interest of One Penny per Cent. per Diem only, in the Body of the said Bills, but it was afterwards thought fit and agreed, for supporting the Credit and Currency of the said Bills, that One Penny per Cent. per Diem, additional Interest, should attend, and be paid on the said Bills, from the eighth Day of October 1720, and publick Notification thereof was given by the then Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the said Interest and Additional Interest, making together Two Pence per Cent. per Diem, has attended and been paid, or is payable on the said Bills accordingly; Now, the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury having contracted and agreed with the Bank of England, for the Circulating and Exchanging of all Exchequer Bills, at Demand, during the Space of one Year, beginning from the 24th Day of July 1722, their Lordships give Notice that the said additional Interest of One Penny per Cent. per Diem, not only on the said Loan Bills, but other the old Exchequer Bills, that had then a joint Currency with them, is to cease and be no longer paid, than to the said 24th Day of July 1722: So that from and after that Day, the Interest on the said Bills will be One Penny per Cent. per Diem only, as the same stands expressed and declared in the Body of the same Bills.

Navy-Office, Monday July 30, 1722.

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Treasury having appointed Money for paying of Half-Pay to Sea-Officers from the 31st of December 1721, to the 30th of June last, according to His Majesty's Establishment on that behalf; These are to give Notice, That the said Payments will begin to be made at the Treasurer of the Navy's Office in Broadstreet, on Monday the 13th of the next Month for the Captains, Tuesday the 14th for the Lieutenants, and Wednesday the 15th for the Masters, that all Persons concern'd may then and there attend to receive what may become payable to them, and not only bring with them the Affidavits required, touching their not having enjoyed the Benefit of any publick Employment whatsoever, either at Sea or on Shore, during the Time they were to be paid the said Half-Pay, but also produce Certificates (if they have not done it already) that they have subscribed the Test, and taken the Oaths required by the late Act of Parliament; and in case any of the said Officers shall not be able to attend themselves to receive their Money, but employ Attornies for that Purpose, that the said Attornies may produce the like Certificates