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Whitehall, May 27.

HIS Majesty has been pleased to order Letters Patents to be passed under the Great Seal of Great Britain, containing a Grant of the Dignity of a Baron of the Kingdom of Great Britain unto Sir Peter King, Kt. Lord Chief Justice of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, by the Name, Stile and Title of Lord King Baron of Ockham in the County of Surrey.

Westminster, May 31.

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 Sanderson, 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 for more effectual preventing Frauds and Abuses in the publick Revenues; For preventing Frauds in the Salt Duties, and for giving Relief for Salt used in the curing of Salmon and Codfish in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Nineteen, exported from that Part of Great Britain called Scotland; For enabling the Insurance Companies to Plead the General Issue in Actions brought against them; and for securing the Stamp Duties upon Policies of Insurance.

An Act for more effectual disarming the Highlands in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland; and for the better securing the Peace and Quiet of that Part of the Kingdom.

An Act to continue several Acts therein mentioned, for preventing Frauds committed by Bankrupts; For encouraging the Silk Manufactures of this Kingdom; For preventing the clandestine running of Goods; For making Copper Oar of the British Plantations an enumerated Commodity; and For explaining and amending a late Act for more effectual Punishment of such as shall wilfully burn or destroy Ships.

An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors.

An Act to prevent Violences and Outrages being committed by any Persons under Pretence of sheltering themselves from Debt or any Process of Law, within the Hamlet of Wapping Stepney, or elsewhere within the Weekly Bills of Mortality.

An Act for the better regulating of Buildings, and to prevent Mischiefs that may happen by Fire within the Weekly Bills of Mortality, and other Places therein mentioned.

An Act for making more effectual an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His Majesty's Reign, intitled, An Act for preventing the Mischiefs which may happen by keeping too great Quantities of Gunpowder in or near the Cities of London and Westminster, or the Suburbs thereof.

An Act for the better regulating the Manufacture of Cloth in the West-Riding of the County of York.

An Act for enlarging the Term granted by an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of her late Majesty Queen Anne, intitled, An Act for repairing the Highways between Sheppard Ford and the Leazes, and between the Top of Ashington Hill and Rowd Ford in the County of Wilts, and for explaining the said Act, and making the same more effectual and extensive.

An Act for enlarging the Term granted by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne, intitled, An Act for repairing the Highways from Old Stratford in the County of Northampton, to Dunchurch in the County of Warwick, and for making the same more effectual.

An Act for enabling Henry St. John, late Viscount Bolingbroke, and the Heirs Male of his Body, notwithstanding his Attainder, to take and enjoy several Manors, Lands and Hereditaments in the Counties of Wilts, Surrey and Middlesex, according to such Estates and Interests as to him or them are limited thereof by the Quinquapartite Indenture and other Assurances therein mentioned; and for limiting the same, in de-

sault of Issue Male of the Body of the said late Viscount Bolingbroke, to the other Sons of Henry Viscount St. John successively, in Tail Male; and for other Purposes therein expressed.

An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Francis Annesley, the Younger, Esq; with Elizabeth Sutton, and to enable him to marry again; and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

And to two other Private Bills.

After which His Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I am come to put an End to this Session of Parliament, which, tho' it has been extended to an unexpected Length, has been so well employed for the Service and Interest of the Publick, that I assure My Self it will be to the general Satisfaction of the Nation.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The prudent Use you have made of the present flourishing State of Credit, by a certain Reduction of more than Three Millions Seven Hundred Thousand Pounds to an Interest of Four per Cent. and by a wise Provision for the Redemption thereof by Parliament, without further Notice, on Payment of such Sums, as the Circumstances of the Government will from Time to Time admit, has secured a considerable Addition to the Sinking Fund, not subject to the Hazard of future Events.

You have not only raised the Supply for the Service of the current Year, at the lowest Rate of Interest that has been ever known, but, without laying any new Burthen on My People, you have enabled Me to discharge the Debts of my Civil Government, Debts contracted by necessary and unavoidable Expences, and in Support of such Measures of Government, as have greatly increased the Happiness of My People: You have thereby shewn your just Regard to My Honour, and the Dignity of the Crown.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

As all our Publick Blessings are the happy Effects of the general Tranquillity we now enjoy, I cannot but express My Satisfaction in the Provisions you have made for Suppressing and Preventing Disturbances and Commotions in those Parts, where the Peace of the Kingdom might have been most endangered.

Nothing more remains necessary, than to tell you, that I entirely depend on the faithful Discharge of your Duties in your several Stations, and on your constant Care, in your respective Countries, to preserve the Peace and Quiet of the Publick: But I know not how to Part with you without first returning you My very hearty Thanks for the many Repeated Instances you have in this Session given Me of your Duty and Affection: All such Returns may be expected from me, as can be made by the most Indulgent Prince to an Affectionate and Loyal People.

And then the Lord King, Speaker of the House of Peers, by His Majesty's Command, said,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, That this Parliament be Prorogued to Thursday the First Day of July next, to be then here held; And this Parliament is accordingly Prorogued to Thursday the First Day of July next.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 31st Day of May, 1725.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

It was this Day ordered by His Majesty in Council, That the Name of Thomas Earl of Macclesfield be left out of the List of the Lords of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

AT the Court at St. James's the 1st Day of June, 1725.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty having been pleased to deliver the Custody of the Great Seal of Great Britain to the Right