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Westminster, February 1.

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 Charles Dalton, 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 make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Have, upon all Occasions, declared, how sensibly I have been affected with the many Hardships and Injuries sustained by my Trading Subjects in America. I have the Honour of my Crown, and the true Interest of my People too much at Heart, to see either of them suffer any Prejudice or Diminution, without pursuing the most proper and advantageous Methods for their real Security and Preservation.

These Considerations alone were sufficient to incite me to exert my utmost Power, in vindicating and protecting our undoubted Rights and Privileges of Navigation and Commerce; and nothing could add to my own Zeal in so just a Cause, but the due Regard I always have to the Petitions and Complaints of my Subjects, and the Advice of my Parliament. The Wisdom and Prudence of your Resolutions, upon this great and national Concern, determined me to begin with the more moderate Measures, and to try, once more, what Effect and Influence my friendly Endeavours, and pressing Instances would have upon the Court of Spain, towards obtaining that Satisfaction and Security, which we were intitled to demand and expect; and your Assurances to support me in all Events, enabled me to proceed with proper Weight and Authority.

Thus supported by the concurrent Advice of both Houses of Parliament, I lost no Time in making Preparations to do my self, and my People Justice, if the Conduct of the Court of Spain had laid us under that Necessity; and at the same time I did, in the strongest Manner, repeat my Instances for obtaining such Justice and Reparation for the many In-

juries and Losses already sustained, and such an effectual Security for the future, as might prevent the Consequences of an open Rupture.

It is now a great Satisfaction to me, that I am able to acquaint you, that the Measures I have pursued, have had so good an Effect, that a Convention is concluded, and ratified between me and the King of Spain; whereby, upon Consideration had of the Demands on both Sides, that I since hath obliged himself to make Reparation to my Subjects for their Losses, by a certain stipulated Payment; and Plenipotentiaries are therein named and appointed, for regulating, within a limited Time, all those Grievances and Abuses, which have hitherto interrupted our Commerce and Navigation in the American Seas; and for settling all Matters in Dispute, in such a Manner, as may, for the future, prevent, and remove all new Causes and Pretences of Complaint, by a strict Observance of our mutual Treaties, and a just Regard to the Rights and Privileges belonging to each other. I will order the Convention, and the separate Articles to be laid before you.

It hath been my principal Care, to make use of the Confidence you reposed in me in this critical and doubtful Conjunction, with no other View, but the general and lasting Benefit of my Kingdoms; and if all the Ends, which are to be hoped for, even from successful Arms, can be attained, without plunging the Nation into a War, it must be thought, by all reasonable and unprejudiced Persons, the most desirable Event.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I have ordered the proper Estimates to be prepared and laid before you, for the Service of the current Year. I heartily wish, that the Posture of Affairs would have permitted me to retrench the publick Expences, for which I am obliged to demand the present Supplies: And I make no doubt, but your experienced Zeal and Affection for me and my Government, and the proper Concern you have always shewn for the publick Good, will induce you to grant me such Supplies, as you shall find necessary for the Honour and Security of me and my Kingdoms.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I cannot but earnestly recommend it to you, not to suffer any Prejudices or Animosit-

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ties to have a Share in your Deliberations at this important Conjunction, which seems, in a particular Manner, to call upon you to unite in carrying on such Measures, as will be most conducive to the true Interest and Advantage of my People.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 31st Day of January, 1738.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to appoint Thomas Hardy, Esq; to be Sheriff of the County of Warwick.

Petersbourg, Jan. 6. General Botta arrived here three Days ago from Vienna, in order to concert Measures for the next Campaign.

Warsaw, Jan. 29, N. S. We are assured by all Accounts from the infected Country, that the Contagion is greatly abated, and that at Kaminieck and Tramboula it has entirely ceased; of which it is said that the Great General of Poland is so thoroughly convinced, that he has put into the first of those Places a fresh Garrison of 500 Men.

Berlin, Jan. 31. N. S. His Prussian Majesty is so well recover'd of his late Indisposition, that he appeared on the 26th and 27th, on Horseback. On the 28th his Majesty removed from hence to Potsdam. The same Evening M. Berckentin, his Danish Majesty's Minister to the Court of Vienna, arrived here. The Prince Royal of Prussia was taken, a few Days ago, extremely ill with a Cholick in his Stomach; and it was so very violent for the Time it lasted, that his Royal Highness was thought in some Danger; but the Medicine order'd by the Physicians having had a proper Effect, his Royal Highness is now perfectly well again. On Thursday last, Baron Brackel, the Muscovite Minister, set out on his Journey to Vienna; as did on Friday last Baron Ehrencrone for Warsaw, who has resided here some Years as charged with the Affairs of Sweden; he being appointed his Swedish Majesty's Minister to the King and Republick of Poland, in the Room of M. Rodensfield, who is come hither in the same Quality.

Bank, 14 December, 1738.

Upon a Representation from His Majesty's Postmaster-General, That it is apprehended that the Expectation of finding Bank Bills in the Letters, gives Encouragement to the frequent Robbery of the Mails; The Bank of England, to contribute what in them lies to put a Stop thereto, and to render their Bills of no Significancy or Value to those who are guilty of such flagitious Practices, do declare, That for the Benefit and Security of those who have Occasion to transact Money Affairs in the Country, they will from and after the First Day of January next (instead of Three Days Sight Bills) give to such as desire the same, their Bills payable at Seven Days after Sight to ——— or Order, whereby in Case of a Robbery, the Proprietors will have Time to give Notice thereof; and if the Indorsements are duly filled up, as they expect they should, they can be of no Use or Service but to the right Owners.

And whereas they may fall into those Hands who may be ignorant of the Form of indorsing them, a Blank Indorsement will be printed on the Back for the Parties to fill up, and to be repeated as often as Occasion requires.

Advertisements.

King's Remembrance. Hillary Term, Twelfth Year of King George the Second. Tuesday the 23d of January, 1738, between Margaret Walls, Widow, Plaintiff, and Thomas Walls, Yeoman, and another, Defendants.

UPON Motion made for the Plaintiff, it is for the Reasons in the Affidavit of Henry Abbott, order'd by the Court, That the Delendant Thomas Walls do appear to the Plaintiff's Bill on or before the first Day of next Easter Term, Wood for the Plaintiff.

TO be peremptorily sold, together or in Parcels, before John Bennett, Esq; one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, pursuant to a Decree and subsequent Order of the said Court, on Friday the 23d of February Instant, at Five o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the said Master's House in Chancery-Lane, The Real Estate of Thomas Mawdesley, late of Mawdesley, in the County of Lancaster, Clerk, deceased, situate in Mawdesley, Hoskin, Eccleston, and Wiggon, in the said County, of about the yearly Value of 400 l. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's House.

THERE will be peremptorily sold, before Francis Eld, Esq; one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, pursuant to a Decree of the said Court, at the said Master's Chamber in Symond's Inn in Chancery-Lane, London, on Monday the 26th of February Instant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, A Freehold Estate late of Rupert Billingsley, Esq; deceased, situate at Marston Peeling, in the County of Bedford, of about the yearly Value of 233 l. Particulars whereof may be had at the said Master's aforesaid Chamber.

THE Creditors of James Peacock, late of the Parish of Stepney, otherwise Stebonheath, in the County of Middlesex, Mariner and Merchant, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Thursday the 8th Instant, at the Pennsylvania Coffee-house in Birch-Lane, London, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, to assent or dissent from the Assignees commencing one or more Suit or Suits in Equity for Recovery of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, and to their submitting divers Differences and Disputes relating thereto to Arbitration, or otherwise to compound and agree the same; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors of George Robinson, late of Lombard-street, London, Banker and Broker, a Bankrupt, are desired to meet the Assignees on Thursday next, at Janeway's Coffee-house in Cornhill, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, to assent or dissent to the Assignees commencing a Suit or Suits in Equity for recovering Part of the Bankrupt's Estate, or to the referring to Arbitration the Matters in Dispute relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors of John Thomson, late of London, Merchant, a Bankrupt, are desired to meet the Assignee on Thursday next, at Janeway's Coffee-house in Cornhill, at Twelve o'Clock in the Forenoon, to assent or dissent to the Assignees commencing a Suit or Suits in Equity for the recovering Part of the Bankrupt's Estate, or to the referring to Arbitration the Matters in Dispute relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors of Joseph Bezeley, late of Limehouse, in the County of Middlesex, Merchant, against whom a Commission of Bankrupt hath been awarded, who have proved their Debts under the said Commission, are desired to meet the Assignees on Thursday the 8th of this Instant February, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Virginia Coffee house in Threadneedle-street, on several Affairs of Consequence.

WHEREAS George Gumley, late of Tower street, in the Parish of St. Giles, Esq; lately a Prisoner in Newgate, did on the 1st of November 1737, at a Sessions then held for the City of London, pursuant to an Act of Parliament for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, assign all his Estate to the Clerk of the Peace: Therefore all the Creditors of the said Gumley are desired to meet on the 15th of this Instant February, at Four in the Afternoon, at the Mitre Tavern in Fenchurch-street, London, to chuse an Assignee of Assignees of the said Estate pursuant to the said Act.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Richard Crozer, of London, and William Grezer, of Reading, in the County of Berks, Hair-merchants and Partners, did meet, pursuant to Notice in the London Gazette, on the 1st Instant, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate: But at the Request of the Creditors then present, the said Dividend is put off till Tuesday the 20th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

THE Creditors of Thomas Stevens, late of Wisbech, in the Isle of Ely and County of Cambrige, Merchant, a Bankrupt, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate on Thursday the 15th of February Instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Rose and Crown in Wisbech aforesaid, in order to assent or disagree to the commencing of a Suit in Equity against such Person or Persons, who have any Claims upon the real Estate of the said Bankrupt, or the empowering the Assignees to adjust and settle the same.

THIS is to give Notice to all Persons who have any Debts or Demand upon the Estate late of Allan Wardell, of Middleton, in the County of York, Yeoman, deceased, that they may come and apply to Ann Wardell, of Middleton near Pickering, in the County aforesaid, his Widow and Devisee, and prove their Debts or Demands on or before the 25th of March next, and the same will be satisfied and paid, the said Estate being sold.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Edward Poppelton, of Rothe hithe, in the County of Surry, Farrier and Victualer, intend to meet on the 8th of February next, at Four in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, and to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt issued against Christopher Foxley, late of Lime-street, London, Merchant, will meet at Guildhall, on the 9th Instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, when and where the Creditors, who have not proved their Debts, or have only made Claims, are to prove their Debts, and all the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Proposal then to be laid before them by the Assignees.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against James Gooding, of Fleet-street, London, Sadler, intend to meet on Thursday the 8th of this Instant February, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the Creditors that have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same, and assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

Pursuant to an Order made by the Lord Chancellor dated the 24th of January last, for enlarging the Time for William Astrop, of the City of Norwich, Linnendraper and Chapman, for his surrendering himself, and disclosing and discovering of his Estate and Effects to the Commissioners, for finishing his Examination, for 49 Days, to be computed from the 3d of this Instant February, Notice is hereby given to the said William Astrop, that the Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against him, or the major Part of them, will meet on the 24th of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; when and where the said Bankrupt is required to surrender himself, and make a full Disclosure and Discovery of his Estate and Effects, and finish his Examination accordingly.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against William Taylor, of the City of Norwich, Woolcomber, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is required to surrender himself to the Commissioners upon the 14th and 19th Days of February Instant, and the 15th Day of March next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon on each of the said Days, at the House of John Burroughs, called the Goat and Kid Tavern in Norwich aforesaid, and make a Discovery of his Estate and Effects. At the first of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and to chuse Assignees.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Robert Melson, late of Kotherington, in the County of Lincoln, Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 6th Day of February Instant, by Eleven in the Forenoon, and on the 3d and 17th of March next, by Two in the Afternoon, on each of the said last mentioned Days, at the House of William Dixon, commonly called the Swan Inn in the City of Lincoln, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the second Sitting to chuse an Assignee or Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same, but to whom the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them shall appoint.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Isaac Meure, of Queen's Square, in the Parish of St. George the Martyr, in the County of Middlesex, Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 6th and 20th Instant, and on the 17th of March next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and

Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination; and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Claggett, Attorney, in Bartlett's Buildings, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Theed Cleaver, of Holbourn, in the County of Middlesex, Vintner, and he being declared a Bankrupt is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 7th and 14th of February Instant, and on the 17th of March next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon on each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the second Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination, and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but give Notice to Mr. Joseph Webber, Attorney, at Coopers Hall, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against George Halfhide, of the Minories, London, Gun-maker, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners in the said Commission named, or the major Part of them, on the 12th and 15th of this Instant February, and on the 17th of March next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon of each of the said Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Discovery and Disclosure of his Estate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the first Sitting to chuse Assignees, and at the last Sitting the said Bankrupt is required to finish his Examination; and the Creditors are to assent to or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate. All Persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are not to pay or deliver the same but to whom the Commissioners shall appoint.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Church, of Lawrence-lane, London, Merchant, intend to meet on the 28th of February Instant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Joseph Taylor, of Bishopsgate-street, London, Hosiery, have certified to the Rt. Hon. Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said Joseph Taylor 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 by Virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, his said Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 23d of February Instant.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against John Taylor, near Exeter Change in the Strand, in the County of Middlesex, Taylor, have certified to the Rt. Hon. Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said John Taylor 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 by Virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, his said Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 23d of February Instant.

Whereas the acting Commissioners in the Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Willmott, of the Parish of St. Paul Shadwell, in the County of Middlesex, Lighterman and Coal-Merchant, have certified to the Right Hon. Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said Thomas Willmott 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 by Virtue of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, his said Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the said Act directs, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 23d of February Instant.