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From Saturday February 5. to Tuesday February 8. 1742.

T the Court at St. James's, the 7th Day of February, 1742. 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 the following Sheriffs, viz. Bedford, John Miller the Younger, of Dunstable, E/q; Somerset, William Sanford, of Ninehead, E/q; William Hippesley, of Stan-Wilts, ton, E/q;

Brussels, Feb. 13. N.S. On Saturday the 9th Instant arrived here an Express with the Queen of Hungary's Leave to Count Harrach, Governor of the Netherlands, to return immediatey to Vienna; and we hear that her Majesty has appointed Count Konigseg Erps to succeed him, but with the Title only of Minister Plenipotentiary for the Administration of the Government of these Austrian Netherlands, as the Marquis de Prie formerly had. Count Harrach leaves us the 12th of next Month, and his Successor is expected the 10th, who as we hear comes only for a short Time, in order to prepare every Thing for the Reception of Prince Charles of Lorrain, who will foon be appointed our Governor and Captain begin their March towards the Rhine the Privateers lay, three 24 Pounders on on Tuesday the 15th Instant, N.S. 'a new Battery, and on a Plain to the

Whitehall, February 8.

His Majesty's Ship the Saphire, commanded by Captain Holmes, being on a Cruize on the Coast of Portugal, and in Company with some homeward bound Merchant Ships, which he was convoying into the Sea, faw two Sail on the 25th of December, upon which he made a Signal for the Merchant Ships to keep their Course, and gave Chace; about Two of the Clock in the Afternoon the two Sail parted, one keeping her Wind, the other bearing away; Captain Holmes continued chafing the former, and about Five took her, she being a Spanish Privateer of about 50 Tons, with eight Carriage and fix Swivel Guns, and 52 Men. It being then calm, Capt. Holmes immediately shifted her Men into his Ship, and put a Lieutenant and thirty Men on board her, to row after the other Vessel, which they came up with the next Evening, and retook, and found her to be a Sloop from Limerick, bound to Lisbon with Butter.

On the 11th of last Month, Capt. Holmes was informed by the Master of a Dutch Ship, who had been ill treated by a Privateer at Vigo, and which Place he left the 8th, that there were five Privas teers in that Harbour, two of them cleaning on the Sand, and the other three near them by the Key; that in the Town by the Church, they had mounted fix Six The British Troops are to Pounders ; and on the Key, close to where

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