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AT the Court at *Kensington*, the 12th Day
of July 1751,

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in his Privy
Council.

THIS Day the Right Honourable the
Marquis of Hartington, and the Earl
of Albemarle, were, by his Majesty's
Command, sworn of his Majesty's most Ho-
nourable Privy Council; and took their Places
at the Board accordingly.

His Majesty having been pleased to appoint the
most Honourable Charles Marquis of Rocking-
ham to be Lord Lieutenant of the West Riding
in the County of York, and of the City of
York and County of the same City; his Lord-
ship this Day took the Oaths appointed to be
taken thereupon, instead of the Oaths of Alle-
giance and Supremacy.

Whereas it has appeared to his Majesty, by
the Representation of the Master of the
Mint, that notwithstanding the Laws in Being
for the Punishment of Offenders convicted of
counterfeiting Halfpence and Farthings, and ut-
tering and receiving them, knowing the same
to be false, such Practices are of late grown to
a great Height, and more especially in the prin-
cipal Manufacturing Counties, where, from the
great Number of Workmen employed, Oppor-
tunities are given of dispersing this Sort of
counterfeit Coin; and many considerable Dealers
are induced, by the great Profit they make, to
buy up large Quantities at low Prices, and pay
them away by Tale at the nominal Value to
the Labourers and Manufacturers, to the great
Fraud and Injury of the poor People, the De-
tachment of Trade, and the Danger of Publick
Credit: And whereas not only the Counter-
feiters, but those who buy, sell, utter, or take,

knowingly, such Counterfeit Coin, or are con-
cerned in the dispersing the same, are guilty of
a High Misdemeanor, and subject to severe Pu-
nishment by the general Law of the Realm:
And whereas by an Act made in the Fifteenth
Year of his Majesty's Reign, intituled, *An Act
for the more effectual Preventing the Counter-
feiting of the current Coin of this Kingdom, and
the Uttering or Paying of False or Counterfeit
Coin*—It is, amongst other Things, enacted,
That if any Person whatsoever shall make, coin
or counterfeit any Brass or Copper Money,
called a Halfpenny or a Farthing, such Offender
therein, and his, her and their Aiders, Abettors
and Procurers, being thereof convicted, shall
suffer two Years Imprisonment, and find Sureties
for his or her good Behaviour for two Years
more, to be computed from the End of the
said first two Years: And whereas, for the
Encouragement of Persons to discover and bring
to Punishment such Offenders, a Reward of
Ten Pounds, without paying any Fee, is by
the said Act given for every Person convicted of
such Counterfeiting, to be paid by the Sheriff
within one Month after such Conviction, to the
Prosecutors. And whereas his Majesty, duly
weighing the great Publick Mischief arising from
these Practices, has resolved that the Laws against
such Offenders shall be carried, in the strictest
and most effectual Manner, into Execution; It
is therefore Ordered by his Majesty, in and by the
Advice of his Privy Council, That all Persons,
who have been or shall be guilty of Counter-
feiting Halfpence or Farthings, or of vending,
uttering, disposing, receiving or paying any such
counterfeit Halfpence or Farthings, knowing
the same to be so counterfeited, shall be punish-
ed to the utmost Severity of the Law. And
his Majesty doth, by Advice of his Privy Coun-
cil, strictly command, that all the Laws for
preventing and punishing such Offenders, be
carried effectually into Execution; and that the
Officers of the Mint, and all the Justices of
Peace,

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