

you have greatly contributed to preserve, by readily and uniformly supporting my Measures. You have gone farther; and, whilst the Difficulties arising from the War were scarce over, seized the first Opportunity, to perfect one of the greatest Works of Peace, by concurring in the most proper Means for a gradual Decrease of the National Debt; and, at the same Time, raising the Publick Credit. You have also, by several new Laws, laid a Foundation, to strengthen and advance the Trade and Commerce of my Kingdoms. Such a Series of wise and steady Conduct cannot fail to recommend you to the Good-Will and Esteem of your Fellow Subjects, as well as mine. For my own Part, I securely rely upon the Loyalty, and good Affections, of my People, and have no other Aim, but their lasting Happiness.

Then the Lord Chancellor, 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 25th Day of April Instant, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the 25th Day of April Instant.

By the Lord Lieutenant General, and General Governor of Ireland,

A P R O C L A M A T I O N.

D O R S E T.

WHEREAS His Majesty hath signified unto us His Royal Pleasure, that the Parliament of this Kingdom which now stands prorogued to Tuesday the Second Day of April next, be further prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty-seventh Day of August next; We do therefore Publish and Declare, that the said Parliament be, and accordingly the said Parliament is hereby further prorogued to Tuesday the Twenty-seventh Day of August next: Whereof the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons in this present Parliament, are to take Notice accordingly.

Given at His Majesty's Castle of Dublin, the 25th Day of March 1754.

By his Grace's Command,
Tho. Waite.

G O D Save the K I N G.

Lisbon, Feb. 23. The Fleet bound for Goa, on board of which was near 4000 Troops, sailed from hence a few Days ago. The Affair of settling the Boundaries between the Spaniards and Portuguese in the Brasils, continues to meet with great Difficulties, the Inhabitants of Pa-

raguay, a Province in the Possession of the Fathers of the Society of Jesus, having not only obliged the Commissaries appointed by the two Crowns to make the proper Divisions according to the late Treaty, to retire from thence, but have likewise promised those Fathers to defend that Country against such Division; alledging, that their Province is not comprehended in that Treaty.

Naples, March 9. Count Caraffa, Colonel of the Regiment of Macedonia, has obtained the King's Leave to augment the said Regiment with one Battalion, and they are now raising Recruits for that Purpose. A Treaty of Commerce is said to be on the Carpet between this Court and that of Great Britain. They have actually begun to fill the Arsenals and Magazines of this Kingdom. On Saturday last four armed Chebecks sailed from this Port, in order to cruise on the Corsairs of Barbary, who are continually interrupting our Commerce. 'Tis said his most Christian Majesty has, at the Intercession of the Pope, accepted the Mediation of the Disputes that have lately arisen between this Court and the Great Master of Malta.

Rome, March 12. The Government having purchased an English Frigate for 18,000 Scudis in the Port of Leghorn, she is now equipping at Cevitta Vecchia, in order to cruise on the Barbary Pyrates, who are extremely troublesome to the Navigation of this State. A Resolution is also taken at Court, for raising a Battallion of Marines, who are to serve on Board the Pope's Gallies, and other armed Vessels, against those Pyrates.

Genoa, March 12. The Great and Little Council have been for some Days past deliberating on the Affairs of Corsica, which continue to give great Uneasiness. General Count Pallavicini, heretofore Governor of Milan, who has been detained here for some Months by Illness, is now much better, and proposes setting out in a short Time for Vienna, where he will be invested with the Ensigns of the Order of the Golden Fleece. We are informed by the Master of a Ship that arrived here a few Days ago from Barcelona, that all the Officers of the Troops in Catalonia, who had obtained Leave to be absent for six Months, are ordered to return to their respective Regiments forthwith. We are likewise informed, that the Men of War that have been lately built at Carthagena, and some others in that Port, are equipping with all Speed. Part of this Armament is intended to reinforce the Spanish Garde Coasts in America, in order to prevent clandestine Commerce, and the rest are to cruise in the Mediterranean, to protect the Ships of the Christian Powers from the Insults of the Corsairs of Barbary.

Stockholm,