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Westminster, December 19.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in his Royal Robes seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, the Honourable Sir Henry Bellenden, 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 granting an Aid to His Majesty, by a Land Tax to be raised in Great Britain, for the Service of the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five; and for the Relief of certain Places in the County of Lincoln, in respect of Arrears of the Land Tax.

An Act for continuing, and granting to His Majesty, certain Duties upon Malt, Mum, Cyder, and Perry, for the Service of the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-five.

An Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters.

An Act to indemnify Members of Cities, Corporations, and Borough Towns, who have neglected to take the Oaths of Office, and to stamp their Admissions, and for allowing them further Time for those Purposes.

An Act for the Relief of the Out-Pensioners of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road from the High Bridge, in the Town of Ramsey in the County of Huntingdon, through King's Ripton, to the West End of St. Peter's Lane, in the Parish of St. John, within the Borough of Huntingdon.

And to Two private Bills.

Leicester House, December 20.

This Day Baron Rantzau, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Denmark, had his first Private Audience of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

And afterwards his first Private Audience of her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales; to both which Audiences he was introduced by Sir Clement Cottrell Dormer, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies.

Petersbourg, Nov. 19. On the 9th Instant the Empress quitted the Summer-Palace, and came to that of the Winter. And the Great Duke and Great Dutchess are expected there in a few Days. Count Apraxin, one of her Im-

perial Majesty's Chaplains, died here a few Days ago.

Civita Vecchia, Nov. 24. The Seventy Slaves, who were lately taken by a Neapolitan Man of War, on board an Algerine Corsair in the Canal of Piombino, and afterwards brought here, having performed their Quarantine, were last Saturday put on board two Chebecks, in order to be sent to Naples, to work in the King's Gallies. Two Fathers of the Order of Mercy, who arrived here last Week on board a French Tartane from the Coast of Africa, assure us, that, at their Departure, the Algerines were equipping five Corsairs to cruize on the Ships of the Christian Powers, in order to make good the great Loss they sustained at Sea last Summer: The Officers appointed to command the Pope's two Frigats, that are ordered to be stationed on the Coast of the Ecclesiastical State this Winter, to protect the Navigation, are returned here from Rome with their Instructions; and those two Frigats will put to Sea in a few Days.

Dantzick, Nov. 27. They write from Poland, that several of the principal Nobility of that Kingdom, and of the Great Duchy of Lithuania, having signified their Resolution to grant several Privileges and Franchises to Foreign Artificers who shall come and settle in their respective Districts, a great Number of Workmen in different Professions, for the most Part Germans, are already arrived at Dolsko, in the Palatinate of Posnania, in order to carry on their respective Trades; and as 'tis expected they will soon be followed by many more, it is not doubted but Arts and Sciences will soon begin to flourish in the different Provinces of that Kingdom. We are informed that his Prussian Majesty, in order to encourage the Commerce of his Subjects, has ordered the Duty of One per Cent, heretofore paid upon some Sorts of Merchandize brought into that Kingdom, to be taken off; and that, for the future, the Duty upon all Merchandize brought into Prussia, shall be on the ancient Footing.

Vienna, Nov. 30. We hear from Grafilitz near Carlsbad in Bohemia, that the Vault of the Choir of the Church of that Town had fallen in during the Time of Divine Service; by which Accident nine Persons had the Misfortune to lose their Lives.

Montpellier, Nov. 30. We have had one of the greatest Storms of Wind and Rain that has happened in this Country for many Years; it lasted near thirty Hours, during which the Waters swelled so prodigiously, as to damage many Bridges. All the little Rivers round us overflowed their Banks, and laid a great Tract of Country