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Westminster, May 6. 1717.

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 William Oldes, 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 to both Houses.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is with great Satisfaction that after this short Recess I can acquaint you with the certain Advice I have received, that my Fleet is safely arrived in the Sound, which by the Blessing of Almighty God will secure these Kingdoms against any immediate Danger of an Invasion.

I have, by this Means, an Opportunity, which is very acceptable to me, of making a considerable Reduction in our Land Forces, having established it as a Rule with my self, to consult the Ease of my People in every Thing, so far as is consistent with their Safety. And, for my own Part, as I shall always place my Greatness in the Prosperity of my Subjects, so I shall always desire that my Power may be founded in their Affections.

It is upon these Considerations that I have given Orders for the immediate reducing of Ten Thousand Men.

That nothing may be wanting in me to quiet the Minds of all my Subjects, I have likewise given Directions to prepare an Act of Grace; and however it may be received by those who are obstinately bent on the Ruin of their Country, I promise my self, that it will raise a due Sense of Gratitude in all such as have been artfully misled into Treasonable Practices against my Person and Government, and preserve them from standing in need of the like Mercy for the future, when such an Instance of Clemency may not be so expedient for the Publick Welfare, as it would be agreeable to my own Inclinations.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I thank you for your Readiness to support me in the present Juncture of Affairs, and for the Supplies which you have given; and do promise you that they shall be employed for the Uses to which you designed them.

I shall order such faithful Accounts to be laid before you the next Session, as will make it appear, there was no other View in asking any particular Supply, than to prevent a much greater Expence, which the Nation must have unavoidably incurred without it.

I must recommend to you, as I did at the Beginning of the Session, to take all proper Methods for reducing the publick Debts, with a just Regard to Parliamentary Credit.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The Year being so far advanced, I hope you will go through the publick Business with all possible Dispatch and Unanimity, it being my Intention to meet you early the next Winter, that the sitting of Parliament may be brought into the more usual and convenient Season.

London, March 16.

On Tuesday last Monsieur Wesselowsky, Secretary of Embassy from the Czar of Muscovy, presented a Memorial, wherein having, in his Masters Name, congratulated his Britannick Majesty on the late Discovery of the Conspiracy against his Majesty's Dominions, and demonstrated and protested against the false Insinuations contain'd in Count Gyllebergh's Letters; he declares, that his Czarish Majesty will shew the utmost Resentment against his Physician, in case any thing can be prov'd against him; and in the Conclusion, to destroy entirely the said false Insinuations, expresses his Readiness to enter into such Measures as his Britannick Majesty will think proper, at this Juncture; and further offers to grant the British Nation advantageous Conditions for their Trade, and in other Respects.

Leith, March 16. Yesterday a Ship belonging to Kirkaldy, as she was endeavouring to come into the harbour, the wind blowing N. E. was driven in towards the citadel, and split upon the stones; the men were all saved, but the cargo was lost. She was laden with small Salt, bound for Aberdeen.

London, March 19. Letters from Scotland say, that upon the first News of an Invasion design'd by the Swedes, in Concert with the Jacobites; the Lord Lovat in less than 48 Hours assembled about 1400 Men, whom he review'd before the Gates of Inverness, in Presence of Colonel Murray, and all the Officers of the Fusileers, which struck a great Terror into the Faction.

His Majesty has order'd all Correspondance with Spain to be carry'd on by the ordinary Post thro' France, all Obstructions of Commerce being now remov'd.

There's Advice that several Pirates which have a Deaths Head at the Stern of their Ships, continue to infest the Spanish West Indies, and Pillage all the Ships they meet, except the English, from whom they only take Provision.

Count Gylleberg will be sent under a Guard to Plymouth Castle. He is to have 100 l. to pay his Charges thither, and 100 l. per Month for his Maintenance during his being there.

We hear that Messengers are sent to several Ports, to bring up certain suspected Persons who have been seized there coming from Abroad; and that on Saturday Night last several Persons were brought up to Town by Messengers, from Whitney in Oxfordshire, being charg'd with Lifting Men for the Pretender, and engaging to make an Insurrection in Favour of the Swedes, upon the first News of their Invasion.

'Tis said that several Regiments quarter'd in Oxfordshire and other Places, are to be sent towards Newcastle, where an Army is to be form'd of 12 or 14000 Men.

The Reverend Dr Hare, a Residentiary of St. Paul's, and Chaplain to his Grace the Duke of Marlborough, is one of the Candidates for the Living of St. Giles Cripplegate, which is vacant by the Death of Dr. Whitfield, and in the Gift of the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's.

A new Ship of near 900 Tun, which is building at Lime-House for the South-Sea Company, will be Launch'd next Spring Tide; and the Company have waited on the Prince of Wales to know what Name to give it, but his Royal Highness left it to their Nomination.

James Medlicot Esq; having surrender'd his Place as one of the Masters in Chancery, the Lord Chancellor has been pleas'd to bestow it upon John Bennet Esq; eldest Son to Mr. Serjeant Bennet, who was presently sworn into the same.

Last Friday Morning died Dr. Henry James, Regis Professor and Master of Queen's Colledge in Cambridge, Prebendary of Canterbury and York, and Chaplain to his Majesty.

Last Sunday Thomas Milner, Esq; was married to Mrs. Smith in Well-Yard whose Fortune is about 18000 l.

London, March 21. The Persons brought up from Whitney in Oxfordshire, and who still continue in Messengers Custody are, Mr. Moulden an Ironmonger, Churchwarden of the Parish, Mrs. Johnson an Apothecary, and one Day. We hear that upon this Occasion, Mr. Gould the Schoolmaster, who is likewise Minister of a Neighbouring Parish, has, for a while, thought fit to suspend himself ab Officio.

We hear that John Lingard, Esq; has, upon the Death of Mr. Major, surrendered his Place as City Council, to Joseph Richardson, Esq; of Grays Inn, and is elected Judge of the Sheriffs Court of this City, being introduc'd to his Seat by the two Sheriffs.

Sir William Thompson being made Solicitor General, Duncan Dec Esq; common Serjeant, is to be his Deputy as Recorder.

The Reverend Mr. Randal Ford, Minister at Maribone, and Chaplain to the Earl Sutherland, was lately made Chaplain to the Marquis of Wharton.

Whitehall, March 23. Yesterday Morning Sir George Byng set out for the North, to take on him the Command of the Squadron which lies there in readiness to put to Sea. It consists of one Ship of 80 Guns, two of 70, five of 60, thirteen of 50, one of 40, one of 30, one of 20, four Fire-Ships, and an Hospital Ship. Rear Admiral Caldwell and Rear Admiral Littleton go with this Squadron. One Ship of 90 Guns, two of 80, and two of 70, are also very near ready, and will be soon at the Buoy of the North.

London, March 23. A Gentleman concern'd in our Colony at Virginia, has receiv'd Advice from thence, that after many fruitless Attempts to open a Commerce over the Mountains with the Indians on the West, Colonel Spotswood, Lieut. Governour and Commander in Chief of Virginia, has found Means to effect it. For this end he erected a Company with a Joynt Stock, out of which they offered a good Reward to any who should discover a Passage over those Mountains; and in April last one Lieut Smith, with 16 Men, gave Notice that he had made the Discovery upon which the Governour in August following set out from Germanna (which

(which is our utmost Settlement in those Parts) with above 60 Persons on Horse back, and such of the Companies Goods as were for opening a Trade with the Indians. In 8 Days time they pass'd the great Ridge of high Mountains, one of which they call'd Mount George in Honour of his Majesty, and another spotwood, in respect to the Governour. They found the Passage very Perilous, even with loaded Horses, and on the Tops fine Land and Springs, and after they had been out 14 Days, return'd, when the Governour in Memory of this signal Journey, instituted a new Order of the Golden Horseshoe, and presented 11 Gentlemen with each a Gold Horseshoe, to be ty'd with a green Ribbon to the Button Hole, with this Inscription, *Juvat transcendens Montes, and on the Reverse, The Transmontane Order.*

We hear that General Wade has kiss'd the King's Hand for the Regiment of Horse which was lately commanded by the Lord Windsor, and is succeeded in his own Regiment by Colonel Halley.

'Tis said that Baron Gortz will be brought to England.

Several Ships Richly Laden, are shortly expected from the South Sea. The Company are now fitting up Ships for the Coast of Africa, and the Spanish West Indies.

We hear that the Laird of Mackintosh chief of his Clan, engag'd in the late Rebellion, and Pardon'd, has assur'd the Court that 1000 of his Vassals shall, in Case of another Rebellion, be entirely at his Majesty's Service.

'Tis said the Lord Frizer, who was thought to have kill'd himself by a Fall from a Mountain in the Highlands, is secur'd and bringing towards London in Custody.

Some pretend to certain Advice that Ten Swedish Men of War from Carlskroon, with 4000 Land Forces on Board, have been seen off the Heights of Bornholm, Steering towards Gottemburg, and are speedily to be followed by the rest of their Naval Armament.

The Persons brought up from Whitney in Oxfordshire, are charg'd with having Listed above 60 Men for the Pretender.

The following Men of War design'd for the Baltick, viz. The Barfleur, Royal Oak, Burford, Devonshire, Cumberland, Sherwbury, Yarmouth, Orford, Gloucester, Hampshire, Worcester, Dragon, Chester, Strafford, Jersey, Dartmouth, Chatham, Severn, Falmouth, Burlington, Panther, Exeter, York, Dreadnought, Superbe, Diamond, Lynn, Pearl, Leostoff, Phoenix, Port-Mahon, Deal Castle and Flamborough.

The beginning of last Week dy'd Basil Fielding, Earl of Denbigh, who was in the late Reign Lord Lieutenant of Leicester-shire, and a Teller of the Exchequer.

Mr. William Bradshaw, Chaplain to the Bishop of Norwich, is chose Prebendary of Canterbury, in the Room of Dr. Henry James, deceased.

We are inform'd that the Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor of this City, and other Magistrates, have order'd the Constables to take up those who go about with Wheelbarrows and Dice, and have done so much Mischief, by tempting Youth to spend their Money idly; and they have given the like Orders as to Balled-singers, who have so much corrupted the Morals and Principles of the meaner sort by their lewd and seditious Ballads. And the like Orders are given to take up those Boys, &c. who go about to black Shoes on the Lord's Day. 'Tis hoped all Officers will be diligent in executing such good Orders.

Edinburgh, March 23. Last Thursday arrived here an Express, with Orders for the Troops which were in their way hither, from the North, to return back to their Quarters, and accordingly they are return'd thither. Last Night we had another Express, and this Morning the Duke of Gordon set out unexpectedly for the North.

Dublin, March 23. Last Week one Butler, Doyle, Bryan, Smith, Forestal, Macdaniel, and 3 other Popish Priests, not register'd according to an Act of Parliament of this Kingdom, and Convict of saying Mass contrary to the said Act, and one MacLaughlin, a Popish School-master, for keeping School without qualifying himself, were shipp'd off to be transported to Portugal, and put to Sea accordingly. We have had violent Storms of late, in one of which a Danish Ship and one of this Place, run upon the Sands called the North Bull in this Harbour, and are in Danger of being lost but the Men are all saved.

Philadelphia, July 11. On Monday next our Governour designs to set out for Connyatogue to renew a Friendship with the Indians there. Several Vessels are Outward bound for London, Surranam, Jamaica, Barbadoes, South Carolina and Madera.

New-York, July 15. Arrived here Warner from Curacao, Goelet from Jamaica, and Sanford from Barbadoes. Cleared out, Beckman and Ford for Boston, Rivers for Rhode-Island. Entered out, Tucker and Hopkins for London, Warner for St. Thomas, and several for Barbadoes.

Rhode-Island, July 19. Arrived here are Bots from Antigua, Whitefield from Barbadoes, Gorham from Boston, and sail'd for Connecticut, Burroughs from Connecticut, for Boston, Ford from New-York, for Boston.

Piscataqua, July 19th. On Last Lords Day arrived here from Barbadoes Capt. John Frost, who says, That on Thursday the Fourth Instant in Latitude 36, about Nine a Clock at Night, after 12 Hours Chase he was taken by a Pirate Ship of 20 Guns, 150 Tons, 170 Men, of all Nations, who fired abroad tide of Double round and Partridges, and a Volley of Small Shot into Frost's Ship, which beat his Men off the Deck, shatter'd his Hull, Rigging and Sails very much, and then order'd his Boat on board; upon which he sent his Mate, who was received by the Pirate Sword in hand, Designing to have cut him down, if it had been the Master, for offering to run from him, but finding it was the Mate, the Pirate sent Frost's boat on board him again, ordering him to stand to the Eastward and shew a Light all Night: And in the Morning Frost went on board the Pirate, where he was treated roughly till the Master or Pilot came upon Deck who is an English man (by Name Main) who was very friendly and endeavour'd to make things easy. The Capt. is a French man (Monsieur Laboar) who ask'd Frost why he Sail'd from him, he reply'd having a fair Wind he was for making the best of his way; for which he said he deserv'd to be shot, but afterwards treated him civilly. After this the Quarter Master of the Pirate and several others went on board Frost's Ship, broke open the Hatches, hoisted out and took 40 Hogheads of Rum, one Hoghead and several Barrels of Sugar, some Money, Watches, a Negro Man, one of the Pumps, all things that was valuable both of Linens, Woollens, and bedding, and sundry Stores. While they were thus Plundering Frost, two Sloops came down towards them, who were ordered to strike, one Commanded by Capt. Turner from Boston to Jamaica, the other by William Smith from Seabrook to Antigua; the Pirate took from them their fresh Stock with some Water and Bear, and dismiss'd them, without other abuse. Then the Capt. of the Pirate sent Frost on board his own Ship, where he was accosted by the afore said Quarter Master with several others, he (being strip'd to his shirt) was unmercifully cutt, beaten and threaten'd to be skin'd and barbecu'd, but the Capt. of the Pirate seeing this disorder on board Frost's Ship, fired a shot and made a signal for all hands to repair on board, which they did, leaving both the Man and Ship in a most deplorable condition to make the best of their way. The said Frost says, That on Friday last he saw a Ship about Nine Leagues to the North East of Cape Codd, which he judges to be the said Pirate, who told him at parting that he was bound upon this Coast, where he had a Comfort Ship of 20 Guns.

Boston, Entered Inwards, Newcomb Blague Ship Victory and Thomas Foster from Barbadoes, William Chadder Ship Hanover, Rodham and Langley from London, Stevens, Vernam, Burridge and Necks from Exon, Thomas, Burrington, Schooner, Robert, from St. Christophers, Chever from Surranam, Robinson from Antigua, and Hogg from Bristol.

Cleared Outwards, Knight, Riggs and Parker for Piscataqua, Cahoon for Rhode-Island, Knowles and Lathrop for Connecticut, Vandyke for New-York, Cogswell for Pensilvania, Kidder for Virginia, Arnold for Barbadoes, and Walters for Jamaica.

Outward Bound, Cobb for Connecticut, Saunders and Carmer for New-York, Snoad and Johnson for North Carolina, Eps for South Carolina, William Wyer Protestant Caesar and Alexander Baker for West-Indies, Prince for Newfoundland, Grant and Harris for Virginia, Hugh Ker Ship Prince Frederick and John Eliot for London.

On the Lords Day arrived Capt. Norris from London.

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O N Tuesday the 30th Currant, to be Sold at Publick Vendue by Mr. Ambrose Vincent at the Crown Coffee-house Boston, in the Afternoon; two Anchors, two Great Guns, and some Junk, that came from the Wreck Whido: The said Goods to be daily seen at the Treasurers Office, till the time of Sale.

T O be Sold by Publick Vendue or Outcry, at the Crown Coffee House in Boston, on Thursday the 25 Instant, at 5 of the Clock in the Afternoon; all the Rigging, Sails, Anchors &c. That was Saved from the Wreck of the Shute Galley, to be seen at the Warehouse No. 19 on the Long Wharffe: And also the Sloop Mayflower with all her Appurtenances, to be seen at the North side of the said Warehouse and Wharffe.

A House and Land near the Old South-Meeting House, in Marlborough Street, Boston, formerly belonging to Mr. Samuel Gray Deceased, and now in the possession of Mr. John Gray Goldsmith; to be Sold or Let, Inquire at the said House.

A Certain Person wants a Wet Nurse to Suckle a Child in Boston, any such may repair to the Post Office in Boston, and be further inform'd.