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AT the Court at St. James's the 16th Day of  
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P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

His Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to declare the Right Honourable Charles Earl of Sunderland Lord President of the Privy Council, and his Lordship thereupon took his Place at the Board accordingly.

This Day the Right Honourable James Craggs, Jun. Esq; was, by His Majesty's Command, (sworn of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, as likewise one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

*Moscow, Feb. 17.* On the 11th Instant the Czar's eldest Son Prince Alexander Petrowitz, attended by the Sicur Tolstoy, arrived here from his Travels. He waited that Night upon the Czar, with whom he had a long Conference. The next Day a great Council was held, and his Czarish Majesty having resolved to exert in a very solemn manner, his Justice upon the said Prince for his Disobedience and Breach of the Laws of this Empire, who had incurred the Penalty of High Treason, by travelling into Foreign Parts without his Licence, Orders were given for the necessary Preparations to be made for that Purpose. Accordingly the 14th before Break of Day, the Regiments of Guards and the Garrison of this Place being under Arms, were posted round the Castle, so as to secure all the Gates and Avenues; and Orders were sent at the same Time to all his Majesty's Ministers, Boyars and Counsellours, to repair to the Great Hall in the Castle, and to the Clergy to assemble in the Cathedral. Then the great Bell was tolled, and the Prince was brought in as a Prisoner without his Sword; and being carried into the Czar's Presence, who was standing in the Hall in the midst of the Great Men of his Kingdom, presented a Writing to his Majesty, containing a Confession of his Crime, and in Tears fell at his Majesty's Feet. The Czar gave the Paper to Baron Schafirof, his Vice Chancellor, and afterwards raising his unhappy Son from the Ground demanded of him what was his Desire? The Prince implored his Mercy, and begged he would spare his Life: His Majesty granted his Request, but told him he had cut himself off from the Hopes of inheriting his Crown, that he must solemnly renounce the Succession, and acknowledge the same under his Hand; which he answered he was ready to perform. The Czar then expostulated with him upon his Disobedience, and asked him who were the Advisers of his late Escape? Upon which the Prince drew near and whispered him, and they went together into an adjoining Room, where it is supposed he named the Persons, which is the more probable because soon after three Couriers were dispatched several Ways, whose Errands are not yet publickly known. His Majesty and the Prince being returned into

the Hall, the Prince signed an Instrument, setting forth, that finding himself unqualified for Government, he therefore disclaimed any Right of Succession to the Crown. Then several Articles, containing a long Deduction of the Causes of his Majesty's excluding his eldest Son from the Succession were read aloud. This being done, the Ministers, Boyars, Officers and others, who were present, swore upon the Gospel and subscribed an Oath, of which several printed Copies had been prepared, importing, that the Czar having by his Letters declared that he had excluded from the Crown the Czarowitz Alexander Petrowitz, and had appointed his Majesty's second Son the Prince Royal Peter Petrowitz to succeed him; they owned the Legality of this his Majesty's Decree, acknowledged the said Prince Peter Petrowitz to be the undoubted Successor to the Crown, engaged to stand by him with their Lives against any that should dare to oppose him, and never would, under any Pretence whatsoever adhere to Prince Alexander Petrowitz, or assist him in the Recovery of the said Succession. Then the Company repaired to the Cathedral, where the Czar in a long Speech set forth the Prince his Son's undutiful Behaviour and evil Conduct; after which the Clergy swore and subscribed the Oath abovementioned; this being ended, the Company was dismissed, and his Majesty returned to his Apartment. The said Oath has since been administered to all the publick Officers, and other Inhabitants of this Place, who were not present at the Solemnity, and Orders are sent for doing the like all over the Russian Empire, and in his Majesty's Armies abroad. The Prince is kept under Confinement, and no body is admitted to him but the Heer Tolstoy, and such others as are appointed by the Czar. It is said his Majesty intends soon to return to Petersbourg, and after a short Stay there to make a Progress to Astracan and Cazan.

*Brussels, March 18.* The Marquis de Prié, who in the Absence of Prince Eugene of Savoy, our General Governour, is entrusted with the Government of the Austrian Netherlands, with the Character of Minister Plenipotentiary, has lately received from Vienna his Imperial and Catholick Majesty's Establishment of a Council for the Administration of publick Affairs, which in the Reign of the late King of Spain, Charles the Second, were under the Direction of three Councils called the Council of State, the Privy Council, and the Council of Finances or Treasury. This new Council, which is to be filed the Council of State, is to consist of the General Governour, and in his Absence the Minister Plenipotentiary; of six Counsellors of the Nobility, viz. the Marquess of Westerloo, the Duke of Arschot, the Prince de Ligne, the Duke d'Ursel, the Prince de Rubempré, and the Count de Maldegem; the three former are not obliged to constant Attendance, and have no Salary; the other are to attend eve-

ry Time the Council meets, and to have 7000 Florins a Year, unless they have other Employments to that Value, in which Case they are to receive an Addition only of 3000 Florins a Year as Counsellours; and of five Counsellours of the long Robe, viz. the Baron d'Heiliffem, the Heer Vander Ghoten, Director of the Finances, the Heers Vander Hagen and De Groef, and a fifth not yet named, who are likewise to receive 7000 Florins each per Annum, except the Heer Vander Ghoten, whose Salary is to be 12000 Florins a Year. These which follow are likewise to be of the Council, but are to attend only upon special Summons; the Archbishop, when such Matters are to be considered as relate to the Church, the General of the Forces when they are to treat of military Affairs, the Baron de Gruffere, Chancellour, and the President Baillet, when their Advice shall be thought necessary upon Business of Law. In the Absence of the Governour General, and of the Minister Plenipotentiary, the eldest Counsellour of the Robe is to act as President, and upon all Questions they are to declare their Opinions, according to their Rank, beginning from the lowest. Monsieur Cuvelier is to be the first Secretary of this Council, and there are to be two other Secretaries for Affairs of State, and two more for Matters of Revenue. The Council is to meet daily, and to sit from Eight to Twelve before Noon; and two Days in the Week are to be set apart for the Business of the Revenue. There are to be three Principal Intendants or Directors of the Finances residing at Brussels, whereof two are to be admitted into the Council to give Information and Advice upon Affairs of the Revenue, at such Times as they shall be under Consideration. These Intendants are to have under their Direction the Revenues of the Districts of Brabant, Limbourg, Mechlen and Guelderland; and those of the remaining Provinces are committed to the Care of four Under-Intendants, whereof two are appointed for Flanders and the reunited Countries; another for Heynault and the Province of Namur, and the fourth for that of Luxembourg. There is to be a General Receipt or Exchequer, and a Military Chest, and a Receiver and Paymaster General to each. The Places of Director or Surveyor General of the Army, of Veador, Contador, and several other useles and expensive Offices, are entirely suppressed.

*Haue, March 22.* We hear the Negotiation for a Peace between the Courts of Sweden and Muscovy is broke off, the former refusing to accept of Abo for the Place of Treaty.

*Whitehall, March 18.* A Patent is passing the Seals to create the Right Honourable William Lord Cowper Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, a Viscount and Earl of Great Britain, by the Name, Stile and Title of Viscount Fordwiche, in the County of Kent, and Earl Cowper.

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint

The Right Honourable James Earl of Berkeley, Sir George Byng, Kt. and Bart. Sir John Jennings, Kt. John Cockburn and William Chetwynd, Esqs; Sir John Norris and Sir Charles Wager, Kts. His Majesty's Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland.

The Right Honourable James Earl of Berkeley Vice Admiral of Great Britain,

Matthew Aylmer, Esq; Rear Admiral of Great Britain, and Master of Greenwich Hospital.

Nicholas Lechmere, Esq; His Majesty's Attorney General.

Admiralty-Office, March 17, 1719.

The Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby give Notice, That they have ordered the usual Allowance of Conduct-Money, and Charge for Bidding and Cloaths, to be made to such Sea-

men as shall enter in and about the Town, to serve on Board His Majesty's Ships Doxfordshire, Captain, G afron, Kent, Rippon, Montague, and Dreanought, sailing out at Portsmouth.

Tenths of the Clergy.

By Order of the Governours of the Bounty of Queen Anne for the Maintenance of the Maintenance of the poor Clergy, Notice is hereby given, that the Clergy are to pay the Tenths due at Christmas last to John Eston, Esq; at his Office over-against the Garden-Gate in the Middle-Temple; where daily Attendance will be given for Receipt of the said Tenths (Holidays excepted) till the last Day of April next. N. B. The Penalty for Non-Payment by that Time is (by a late Act of Parliament) double the Value of the said Tenths.

The Trustees appointed by the Act for Amending the Roads from the City of London to the Town of East Grinstead, in the County of Suffex, and to the Towns of Sutton and Kingston, in the County of Surry, intend to meet at the King's Arms Tavern on St. Margaret's Hill, in the Borough of Southwark, in the said County of Surry, on Monday the 24th Instant; where the said Trustees are desired to attend.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, that a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be holden at the East-India House in Leadenhall-Street, London, on Friday the 21st Instant, at Eleven in the Forenoon.

Advertisements.

Whereas the Reverend Mr. Hollis, Minister of Amsbury, in the County of Wilts has obtained His Majesty's Letters Patents to the sole Use and Benefit of an Engine by him invented, and now perfected, for the more commodious Raising of Water in great Quantities by a continual Stream, and applicable as well to Drain Lanes, Marshes, &c. as to Convey Water into Towns, Gardens, Canals, Leas, Causes, Castles, &c. to be wrought by Wind, Water, or Horses, as Conveniency and Situation of Place will permit: These are to give Notice, that he has already set up a Water-Engine at Chatsbury, in the County of Dorset, which carries Water into the said Town near two Miles, and raises it more than 300 Foot Perpendicular Height, in sufficient Quantities to supply the whole Town: Two other Engines set up at the Earl of Pembroke's at Wilton, and Lord Viscount Pembroke's in Northilk, and an Horse-Engine at Mr. Dodgson's in Dolethure. Application may be made to the said Mr. Hollis at Amsbury, by Letter, paying the Postage, or to M. Smith at Temple Change Coffee-house in Fleet Street, every Tuesday and Thursday Evening.

To be sold pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, before John Hicocks, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, a large new built House, Freehold, with Coach-House, Stables, and Out-Houses and Gardens well planted, and several Acres of Land, and several smaller Houses near adjoining, all late the Estate of Francis Collins, and situate in Camberwell, in the County of Surry; Particulars may be had at the said Master's Chambers in Lincoln's Inn.

A Merchant going beyond Sea, having a Parcel of neat and fine Jamaica Citron Water, as good as ever came from the West-Indies, with the Flower in it, will, for the Expedition of the Sale, sell it at eight Shillings the Bottle, and those that buy a dozen shall have one Bottle over, or thirteen to the dozen; it is to be sold only at the Horse-Shoe in Abchurch-Lane.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Josiah Jostome, Citizen and Merchant-Taylor of London, and he being declared a Bankrupt; the Commissioners intend to meet on the 21st Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay Contribution-Money; at which Time the Commissioners will appoint an Assignee or Assignees; and all Persons that are indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or other Effects of his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person but such only as the Commissioners shall appoint, but are forthwith to give Notice to Mr. Edward Berry, Attorney at Law in Milk-Street, near Cheapside, London.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against William Baker, Citizen and Draper of London, and he being declared a Bankrupt; the Commissioners intend to meet on the 21st Instant, at Nine in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London; where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and pay their Contribution-Money; at which Time the Commissioners will appoint an Assignee or Assignees; and all Persons that are indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or other Effects of his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person but such only as the Commissioners shall appoint, but are desired forthwith to give Notice to Mr. Edward Berry, Attorney at Law, in Milk-Street, near Cheapside, London.

Whereas John Sherwood, late of Hungerford in the County of Berks, Chymist, and Practitioner in Physick, hath surrendered himself, and hath been examined; these are to give Notice, that he will attend the Commissioners on Thursday the 4th of April next, at Eight in the Morning, at the Three Swans in Hungerford, in the said County of Berks, where and where the Commissioners intend to make a Distribution of the said Bankrupt's Estate; and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid Contribution-Money, are then to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.