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FROM FRIDAY, JANUARY 12. TO TUESDAY, JANUARY 16. 1798.

WESTMINSTER, Jan. 12, 1798.

This day the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by Mr Quarme, the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorised by virtue of his Majesty's Commission for declaring his Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read*; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act for granting to his Majesty an aid and contribution for the prosecution of the war.

An Act for allowing, during the continuance of the present war, a certain proportion of the men, raised in pursuance of two acts of the last Session of Parliament for augmenting the militia, to enlist into his Majesty's other forces, and to serve until six months after the conclusion of a general peace.

An Act for continuing for twenty-one years, and from thence to the end of the then next Session of Parliament, the term, and altering and enlarging the powers of two several acts, one passed in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, and the other in the sixteenth year of his present Majesty, so far as the same relate to repairing the road from Tadcaster to Halton Dyal, in the West Riding of the County of York.

And to seven private bills.

[Price Sixpence.]

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, Jan. 13.

Copy of a Letter from Admiral Sir Richard King, Bart. Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels at Plymouth, to Evan Nepean, Esq. dated Cambridge, in Hamoaze, the 7th of January, 1798.

SIR,

You will be pleased to acquaint their Lordships, that his Majesty's hired cutter Stag arrived this day with La Zelic, French lugger privateer, carrying 4 guns and 47 men, which she captured the 5th instant off the Start.

I am, &c.

R. KING.

ADMIRALTY-OFFICE, Jan. 13.

Copy of a Letter from Admiral Peyton, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's ships and vessels in the Downs, to Mr Nepean, dated on board the Overysfel, the 12th Jan. 1798.

SIR,

I herewith send you inclosed a letter I have this day received from Captain Lloyd, of his Majesty's sloop Ragoon, of this date, stating his having captured Le Policrate French privateer cutter, carrying 16 guns and 72 men, yesterday morning, off Beachy Head, which letter you will be pleased to lay before their Lordships.

I am, &c.

JOSEPH PEYTON.

SIR,

Ragoon, in the Downs, Jan. 12, 1798.

I beg leave to acquaint you, that yesterday morning at seven A. M. Beachy Head bearing north-east, distant about seven leagues, I discovered a cutter in the south-east. I immediately made all sail in chase, and, after a running fire of two hours, (within musquet shot) came up with and captured Le Policrate French privateer, carrying 72 men, and mounting 16

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