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Westminster, January 14.

THIS Day His Majesty came to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Francis Molineux, Knt. 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.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

WHEN I met you last, I acquainted you, That Matters of Importance had happened in America; which would demand the most serious Attention of Parliament.

That no Information, which could serve to direct your Deliberations in so interesting a Concern, might be wanting; I have ordered all the Papers, that give any Light into the Origin, the Progress, or the Tendency of the Disturbances which have of late prevailed in some of the Northern Colonies; to be immediately laid before you.

No Time has been lost, on the first Advice of these Disturbances, to issue Orders to the Governors of My Provinces, and to the Commanders of My Forces in America; for the Exertion of all the Powers of Government in the Suppression of Riots and Tumults, and in the effectual Support of lawful Authority.

Whatever remains to be done on this Occasion, I commit to your Wisdom; not doubting, but your Zeal for the Honor of My Crown, your Attention to the just Rights and Authority of the British Legislature, and your Affection and Concern for the Welfare and Prosperity of all My People, will guide you to such sound and prudent Resolutions, as may tend at once to preserve those Constitutional Rights over the Colonies, and to restore to Them that Harmony and Tranquility, which have lately been interrupted by Riots and Disorders of the most dangerous Nature.

If any Alterations should be wanting in the Commercial Economy of the Plantations,

which may tend to enlarge and secure the mutual and beneficial Intercourse of My Kingdoms and Colonies; they will deserve your most serious Consideration. In effectuating Purposes so worthy of your Wisdom and Publick Spirit, you may depend upon My most hearty Concurrence and Support. The present happy Tranquility, now subsisting in Europe, will enable you to pursue such Objects of Our interior Policy with a more uninterrupted Attention.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I have ordered the proper Estimates for the current Service of the Year to be laid before you: Such Supplies as you may grant shall be duly applied with the utmost Fidelity, and shall be dispensed with the strictest Economy.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I earnestly recommend to you, to proceed in your Deliberations with Temper and Unanimity. The Time requires, and I doubt not but your own Inclination will lead you to those salutary Dispositions. I have nothing at Heart but the Assertion of legal Authority; the Preservation of the Liberties of all My Subjects; the Equity and good Order of My Government, and the Concord and Prosperity of all Parts of My Dominions.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, January 14, 1766.

This to give Publick Notice, That Her Majesty's Birth-Day will not be observed at Court on Saturday the 18th Instant, but will be kept on Thursday the 20th of February next.

St. James's, January 3, 1766.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That a Draft has been passed on the Bank, under the Signature of Sir Joshua Van Neck and Co. for 4500 L. dated the 21st of October last, payable to the Honorable Thomas Walpole, Esq; and the said Draft has been exchanged for sundry Bank Notes, payable to the aforementioned Thomas Walpole, which have been paid, in Cash, on or about the 28th, 29th, and 30th of the said Month; and that there is Reason to suspect that the said Draft was forged:

His Majesty; for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Persons concerned in Writing and Forging

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