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Westminster, November 11.

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 Molyneux, 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,

THE High Price of Wheat, and the defective Produce of that Grain last Harvest, together with the extraordinary Demands for the same from Foreign Parts, have principally determined Me to call you thus early together, that I might have the Sense of Parliament, as soon as conveniently might be, on a Matter so important, and particularly affecting the poorer Sort of My Subjects.

The Urgency of the Necessity called upon Me, in the mean Time, to exert My Royal Authority, for the Preservation of the Publick Safety, against a growing Calamity, which could not admit of a Delay; I have therefore, by and with the Advice of My Privy Council, laid an Embargo on Wheat and Wheat Flour, going out of the Kingdom, until the Advice of Parliament could be taken thereupon.

If further Provisions of Law be requisite or expedient with regard to the Dearthness of Corn, so necessary to the Sustentance of the poorer Sort, they cannot escape the Wisdom of Parliament, to which I recommend the Consideration thereof.

At the same Time I must with Concern take Notice, that, notwithstanding My Cares for My People, a Spirit of the most daring Insurrection has, in divers Parts, broke forth, in Violences of the most criminal Nature.

Necessary Orders have been given for bringing such dangerous Offenders to condign and speedy Justice; nor shall Vigilance and Vigour, on My Part, be wanting, to restore Obedience and Reverence to Law and Government.

I have the Satisfaction to inform you, that since I last met you, I have concluded a Treaty of Commerce with My good Sister the Empress of Russia, whereby that considerable Branch of Trade is fixed on a just and satisfactory Footing.

It is with Pleasure that I also acquaint you, that the Marriage between My good Brother the King of Denmark, and My Sister the Princess Caroline Matilda, has been solemnized; and the natural Alliance between the Two Crowns happily strengthened by an additional Tie of so agreeable a Nature.

[Price Three-Pence.]

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 strictest Regard to the Objects for which they are granted.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The general Posture of Affairs in Europe affords no Occasion to lay any Thing new before You on that Head. My Purposes are constant and fixed, to maintain, on my Part, the Publick Tranquillity inviolate, and to support the Dignity of My Crown, and the Rights of My Subjects. The Justice and Wisdom of the other Great Powers of Europe leave no Room to apprehend any Intentions of a contrary Nature.

London, November 10.

On Saturday last Sir Robert Kite, Lord Mayor Elect for the Year ensuing, was sworn at Guildhall; when the Chair and other Ensigns of Mayoralty were surrendered to him in the accustomed Manner.

This Day the new Lord Mayor, accompanied by Sir Robert Ladbroke, (Locum tenens in the Absence of the late Lord Mayor) the Aldermen, Recorder, and Sheriffs, in their Scarlet Gowns, went in their Coaches to the Waterside, the Sword and Mace being carried before them, and the City-Officers attending, and from thence proceeded in the City Barge, attended by the several Companies in their respective Barges adorned with Streamers and Pendants to Westminster; and having walked round the Hall, and solemnly saluted all the Courts, they went to the Exchequer Bar, and the new Lord Mayor did there take the Oaths appointed, and having recorded Warrants of Attorney in the proper Courts, returned by Water to Black Fryers, and from thence in Coaches with the usual Solemnity to Guildhall, where a magnificent Entertainment was provided; at which were present the Great Officers of State, divers of the Nobility, Lords of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy-Council, the Judges, and other Persons of Quality and Distinction.

Whitehall, November 8, 1766.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That on Thursday Night last the 6th instant, the following anonymous threatening and incendiary Letter was found, dropped in the Market-Place in the Borough of Leicester, near the House of Mr. Alderman Joseph Chambers, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said Borough, containing the following Letters and Figures, to wit:

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