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From Saturday December 17, to Tuesday December 20, 1768.

Westminster, December 20.

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, 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 give the Royal Assent to

An Act for continuing, and granting to His Majesty, certain Duties upon Malt, Munn, Cyder, and Perry, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine.

An Act for granting an Aid to His Majesty by a Land-Tax, to be raised in Great-Britain, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine.

An Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters.

An Act for the Regulation of His Majesty's Marine Forces while on Shore.

An Act for the more effectually preventing the clandestine Importation of Foreign Spirits; and for explaining such Part of an Act made in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, as relates to the Penalties inflicted upon Persons selling Ale, Beer, or other Exciseable Liquors, by Retail, without Licence; and for taking away certain Powers, granted by former Acts, for punishing Persons convicted of retailing Spirituous Liquors without Licence.

An Act to allow, for a further Time, the free Importation of Rice into this Kingdom from his Majesty's Colonies in North America.

An Act for the repairing, improving, and better preserving, of the Harbour and Quay of Wells, in the County of Norfolk.

An Act for erecting a Market-house, and holding a Market in the Town of Taunton in the County of Somerset, and for preventing the Holding of any Market in the Streets of the said Town, and for Cleansing the Streets, and Preventing Nuisances and Obstructions therein; and for Lighting certain Streets in the said Town.

An Act for repairing and widening the Roads, from the Turnpike Road at Golford Green, in the Parish of Cranbrooke, to the Turnpike Road, in

the Parish of Sandhurst, and from the Green, near Benenden Church, to the Bull Inn, at Rolvenden Cross, in the County of Kent.

And to Six Private Bills.

Lisbon, December 7. Their most Faithful Majesties are returned from Panas to the Palace of Ajuda, and publick Prayers are ordered to begin on the 9th Instant, for the safe Delivery of her Royal Highness the Princess of Brazil, who is with the rest of the Royal Family at Ajuda.

The Chevalier de Lebzelter, charged here with the Affairs of the Imperial Court, arrived on the 1st Instant.

December 18.

This Day his Excellency the Count de Czernicheff, Ambassador Extraordinary from the Empress of Russia, had Private Audiences of their Royal Highnesses the Duke of Gloucester and the Duke of Cumberland, at their respective Houses.

To which he was introduced by Stephen Cottrell, Esq; Assistant Master of the Ceremonies.

East-India House, November 18, 1768.

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 held at their House in Leadenhall-Street, on Wednesday the 21st of December next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

That the Transfer Books of the said Company's Stock will be shut on Tuesday the 6th Day of December, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Tuesday the 10th of January following.

And that the Dividend Warrants on the said Stock, due the 5th Day of January next, will be ready to be delivered on Friday the 3d of February next.

Hospital for the Maintenance and Education of Exposed and Deserted Young Children, December 20, 1768.

Notice is hereby given, That the stated Quarterly General Meeting of the Corporation of the Governors and Guardians of this Hospital, appointed by the Charter, shall be held at the said Hospital, on Wednesday the 28th Instant, at Eleven o'Clock in the Morning; when all the said Governors and Guardians are desired to be present: Of which Meeting this Notice is given pursuant to Act of Parliament.

T. Collingwood, Secretary.