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Westminster, May 9.

THIS Day His Majesty came to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Mr. Quarre, 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 granting to His Majesty a certain Sum of Money out of the Sinking Fund; and for applying a certain Sum, therein mentioned, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine; and for further appropriating the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.

An Act for granting to His Majesty a certain Sum of Money, to be raised by a Lottery.

An Act for applying certain Monies, therein mentioned, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine.

An Act for better securing the Duties of Customs upon certain Goods removed from the Out-Ports and other Places to London; for regulating the Fees of the Officers of His Majesty's Customs in the Province of Senzambia in Africa; for allowing to the Receivers General of the Duties on Offices and Employments in Scotland a proper Compensation for their Trouble and Expenses; for the better Preservation of Hollies, Thorns, and Quinces, in Forests, Chaces, and Private Grounds, and of Trees and Under-woods in Forests and Chaces; and for authorizing the Exportation of a limited Quantity of an inferior Sort of Barley, called Bigg, from the Port of Kirkwall, in the Island of Orkney.

An Act for discontinuing, upon the Exportation of Iron imported in Foreign Ships, the Drawback of such Part of the Duties payable thereon as exceeds the Duties payable upon Iron imported in British Ships; to prohibit the Exportation of Pig and Bar Iron, and certain Naval Stores, unless the Pre-emption thereof be referred to the Commissioners of the Navy; to repeal so much of an Act, made in the Sixth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, as discontinued the Drawback upon Foreign Rough Hemp exported; for providing a Compensation to the Clerks in the Offices of the Principal Secretaries of State for the Advantages such Clerks enjoyed before the Commencement of an Act, made in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for preventing Frauds and Abuses in relation to the sending and receiving Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Postage, and to explain and amend the said Act.

An Act for revising several Acts, for preventing Abuses in making Bricks and Tiles, and for indemnifying Justices of the Peace, and others, who have acted under the said Acts; and for indemnifying Persons who have omitted to make and file Affidavits; and for allowing further Time for paying Duties omitted to be paid upon Contracts with Clerks and Apprentices; for making fresh Duplicates of Exchequer Bills, Lottery Tickets, Certificates, Receipts, Annuity Orders, and other Orders, lost, burnt, or destroyed; and for repaying to Joseph Glover and John Bill the Duty by them paid on a Cargo of Wheat, and for allowing the same to be landed for Home Consumption; and for preventing Parish Poor being paid in base or counterfeit Coin.

An Act for further encouraging the Growth and Culture of Raw Silk, in His Majesty's Colonies or Plantations in America.

An Act to permit the free Importation of certain Raw Hides and Skins from Ireland, and the British Plantations in America, for a limited Time; and for taking off the Duties upon Seal Skins tanned or tawed in this Kingdom; and for granting another Duty in Lieu thereof; for indemnifying all Persons with respect to advising or executing any of His Majesty's Orders of Council, prohibiting the Importation of Hides, Horns, and Hoofs, of infected Cattle, and to authorize the Prohibition of the Importation of such Hides, Horns, and Hoofs, for the future.

An Act for explaining, amending, and continuing an Act, made in the Second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, An Act to explain, amend, and reduce into one Act of Parliament, the several Laws now in Being relating to the Raising and Training the Militia within that Part of Great Britain called England.

An Act for defraying the Charge of the Pay and Cloathing of the Militia, in that Part of Great Britain called England, for One Year, beginning the Twenty-fifth Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and sixty-nine.

An Act to empower the Trustees of the Will of the late General Pulteney, and other Trustees appointed by this Act, to purchase and exchange Lands and Grounds in the Manor of Bathwick, in the County of Somerset, for the Purpose of making certain Roads and Ways to and from a free Bridge by them intended to be built over the River Avon in the said County; and also to empower the Persons in Possession of the said Estate for the Time being, under the said Will, to grant Leases of certain Lands and Houses in the said Manor; and likewise to enable the said Trustees to grant certain Grounds and Springs of Water, within the said Manor of Bathwick, to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of Bath; and for extending the Jurisdiction of the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens, over Part of the said Manor of Bathwick; and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

And to Three Private Bills.

After which His Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

HAVING thought it necessary to give so early a Commencement to the present Session of Parliament, I am glad to find, that by your Zeal and Assiduity in the Dispatch of the Public Business, I am now enabled to relieve you from your Attendance, before the Scafon of the Year is too far advanced.

I cannot put an End to the Session, without expressing My entire Approbation of your Conduct, and thanking you for that clear Demonstration, which your Proceedings, through the whole Course of the Session, have afforded to all the World, of the affectionate Attachment of My Parliament to My Person and Government, as well as of their steady Adherence to the true Interest of their Country.

It was with much Satisfaction that I observed your particular Attention to those great National Objects, which, at the Opening of the Session, I recommended to your more immediate Consideration. The Result of your Deliberations, respecting the late Acquisitions in the East-Indies, has shewn, that you were not more attentive to the immediate Benefit arising therefrom in Point of Revenue, than to the Securing, at all Events, the permanent Commercial Interests of this Country, and guarding against every possible Discouragement to our own Manufactures,

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