

essentially necessary, in this Commercial Country; and it was with particular Satisfaction that His Majesty gave His Royal Consent to these Laws, which do Honour to your Deliberations, and are so wisely calculated for the Publick Good.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons,*

I thank you, in His Majesty's Name, for the Supplies which you granted at the Beginning of this Session; they shall be faithfully applied to the Support of His Majesty's Establishments, and to the Advancement of the Publick Service: But, although I have Expectations that the Act for amending and explaining a Clause in the Act of Tonnage and Poundage will be productive of some Addition to His Majesty's Revenue, I think it my Duty to inform you that the Arrears, which had been incurred upon His Majesty's Establishments Civil and Military, before the Time of your Meeting, made it necessary to borrow One Hundred Thousand Pounds, immediately after the Act was passed which gave Authority for that Purpose; and, that Sum not proving sufficient, I have, sometime since, been obliged to order the further Sum of One Hundred Thousand Pounds to be raised, being the Remainder of the Credit intrusted to me by that Act.

So early a Demand for the whole Loan gives me Reason to apprehend that, unless there should be a considerable Increase in His Majesty's Revenue, a still greater Arrear will accrue before the usual Time of your Meeting in another Session.

I do therefore most earnestly recommend it to you, to take into your serious Consideration, (between this and the next Session of Parliament) what will be the best Method of making Provision for such Deficiencies as arise upon the present Duties, so as to guard against any farther Increase of the National Debt.

The additional Duties given for the Support of Government, in Aid of His Majesty's Hereditary Revenue, are nearly the same which were granted in the Year 1727, at the late King's Accession. Had they been solely applied to that Purpose, they would have been fully sufficient, and no Debt or Arrear would have been contracted or incurred; but the large Expence occasioned by the many Premiums, now payable under different Heads, must necessarily continue to increase both; it will therefore be true Policy, and worthy of your Wisdom, to give particular Attention to this Object, and, by prudent Regulations, to form and establish such a System, as will best obviate any further Inconvenience, and most effectually promote every great National Purpose.

*My Lords, and Gentlemen,*

It gives me great Pleasure to observe that the Tumults and Outrages of the lower Ranks of People, which unhappily disturbed some of the Northern Counties in this Kingdom, have now subsided. I flatter myself that these deluded Persons are fully convinced of the Atrociousness of their Attempts, and of the Impossibility of effecting any of the Purposes intended by them.—I would however recommend it to such Gentlemen, whose Weight and Influence lie particularly in those Parts, to have a watchful Eye over their Behaviour, and to exert themselves, with the other Civil Magistrates, in enforcing a due Obedience to the Laws; and I doubt not that, by their Authority on one Hand, and by their Justice and Moderation on the other, a thorough Reformation will be effected, and the Dispositions of the People reclaimed to Peace and good Order.

It gives me great Concern to see the Assistance of the Military Power so frequently called, for nothing can be more worthy of your serious Reflection, than to render that Resource unnecessary by a judicious Improvement of your Police, and providing for the due Execution of the Laws.

His Majesty gave it in express Command to me, to make your Interests and Prosperity the great Objects of my Administration; and my own Inclinations incited me to a strict and zealous Performance of that Duty. I have, upon every Occasion, endeavoured, to the utmost of my Power, to promote the Publick Service; and I feel the most perfect Satisfaction in now repeating to you my Acknowledgments for the very honourable Manner in which (after a Residence of near five Years amongst you) you have declared your entire Approbation of my Conduct. Be assured, that I shall always entertain the most ardent Wishes for your Welfare; and shall make a faithful Representation to His Majesty, of your Loyalty and Attachment to His Royal Person and Government.

After which the Lord Chancellor, by his Excellency's Command, said;

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

*IT is his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant's Pleasure, that this Parliament be prorogued to Tuesday the 14th Day of July next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the 14th Day of July next.*

Custom-House, London, June 5, 1772.

FOR SALE,

By Order of the Honourable the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs, &c. (in Pursuance of an Act of Parliament of the Third Year of His present Majesty) on Tuesday the 16th and Wednesday the 17th, and in the following Week, on Monday the 22d and Tuesday the 23d of June, 1772, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoons of the said Days, will be put up to Sale in the Long Room in the Custom-House, London, the following Goods:

For Home Consumption.

Brandy, Rum, Geneva, Arrack, Cordial and Hungary Water, Green and Bohea Tea, Raw and Roasted Coffee, large Looking-Glass Plates, Two Vessels with their Materials, Violins, Wicker Baskets, and Tobacco Pipes.

Also such Goods as have remained in His Majesty's Warehouse upwards of Six Months, not cleared or the Duties paid, viz.

Linnen, Nankeen Cloth, Stockings, Worsted Breeches Pieces, Haberdashery, Books, Pictures, Great Bugle, small Looking-Glasses, Hardware, Manna, Scaleboards, Struff, Grocery, Prints, and Grounds for Callico Printers, Cordial Water, Wine, and sundry other Sorts of Goods, as mentioned in the Catalogues.

Clear of all Duties.

The Liquors to be seen and tasted at the King's Warehouse, Custom-House, London, on Friday the 12th, Saturday the 13th, and Monday the 15th of this Instant June; and the other Goods to be seen at the same Place, (excepting the Two Vessels and the Tobacco Pipes, which may be viewed at the Tobacco Ground near the Wet Dock, Rotherbith) on Thursday the 18th, Friday the 19th, and Saturday the 20th Days of this Instant June, from Nine to One in the Forenoons, and on the Mornings before the Sale; where Catalogues will be delivered.

Royal Exchange Assurance Office,

London, June 3, 1772.

The Court of Directors of the Royal Exchange Assurance Company do hereby give Notice, that their Transfer Books will be shut from Tuesday the 16th of June instant to Thursday the 9th of July next; and that a General Court of the said Company will be held at their Office on the Royal Exchange, on Wednesday the 24th Day of June instant, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon, to consider of a Dividend.