

*An Act for licensing Hawkers and Pedlars, and for
into-raising of English Protestant Schools.*

*An Act for the Relief of the Out-Pensioners of the
Hospital of King Charles the Second, for ancient and
maimed Officers and Soldiers of the Army of Ireland;*

*An Act for amending an Act passed in the Eleventh
and Twelfth Years of His present Majesty's Reign, in-
titled, An Act for the better regulating the Foundling
Hospital and Work-House in the City of Dublin, and
increasing the Fund for the Support thereof; also for
making a Provision for appointing a Locum Tenens, in
Case of the Death or Absence of the Lord Mayor, or
President of the Court of Conscience.*

*An Act for encouraging the Cultivation, and for the
better Preservation of Trees, Shrubs, Plants and Roots.*

*An Act to prohibit the Burning of Lime, or Lime
Stones, in any Lime Kila which had not been erected
before the Twenty-fourth of March, One thousand se-
ven hundred and seventy-two.*

*An Act to amend the several Acts of Parliament
made in this Kingdom, for the more effectual preventing
Frauds by Tenants.*

*An Act for revising, amending, and continuing se-
veral temporary Statutes, and for other Purposes therein
mentioned.*

*An Act for amending an Act made in the Eleventh
and Twelfth Years of His present Majesty's Reign, in-
titled, An Act for Badging such Poor as shall be found
unable to support themselves by Labour, and otherwise
providing for them, and for restraining such as shall
be found able to support themselves by Labour and In-
dustry from Begging, so far as the said Act relates to
the County of Limerick, and to the County of the City
of Limerick; and for extending the Provisions of the
said Act to the Town of Coleraine in the County of Lon-
donderry.*

*An Act for amending and rendering more effectual an
Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled,
An Act for revising and continuing several temporary
Statutes; and to prevent the destructive Practice of
Trawling for Fish in the Bay of Dublin; and for ex-
plaining and amending one other Act made in the Thir-
teenth and Fourteenth Years of the Reign of His pre-
sent Majesty, intituled, An Act for explaining and
amending an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His pre-
sent Majesty's Reign, intituled, An Act for erecting and
establishing Infirmaries or Hospitals in this Kingdom.*

And to Two Private Bills.

After which his Excellency was pleased to make
the following most gracious Speech to both Houses
of Parliament:

His Excellency Simon Earl Harcourt, Lord Lieute-
nant General and General Governor of Ireland,
his Speech to both Houses of Parliament, at Dub-
lin, on Thursday the 4th Day of April, 1776:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

THE Business of this Session being at an End,
you must wish to be relieved from your At-
tendance; and having so ably and worthily dis-
charged your Public Trust, you may the more chear-
fully return to the Duties and Enjoyments of private
Life.

The many Proofs which you have given of your
unshaken Loyalty to the King, of your ardent Zeal
for the Honor and Dignity of His Government, in
every Part of the British Empire, and of your un-
remitted Attention to the Welfare of your Country,
are highly acceptable to His Majesty, and intitle
you to the Approbation and Respect of all your
Fellow-Subjects.

The uniform good Temper and Wisdom of your
Deliberations, have ensured that signal Success

with which your strenuous Efforts for the Public
Good have been rewarded, and will honourably
distinguish this Session in the Journals of Parlia-
ment.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I am, in His Majesty's Name, to return you
Thanks for the Supplies which you have so liberally
granted, and in a Manner so well considered, as to
strengthen and improve the Credit of the Nation,
and to the Benefit of the Creditors of the Public.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

In the present State of the British Empire, your
never-failing Duty and Loyalty to your Sovereign,
and your warm and affectionate Attachment to the
Honour and Interests of Great Britain, have shone
with distinguished Lustre, and have been highly ex-
emplary and laudable: And it must give sincere
Pleasure to every Friend of this Country, to reflect,
that, whilst a great Part of His Majesty's Domini-
ons in America is torn and convulsed by a most un-
natural Rebellion, this Kingdom, wisely and af-
fectionately persevering in it's Duty, enjoys the
Blessings of Tranquility and Abundance, and cul-
tivates the Arts of Peace, and the Improvement of
Commerce, Agriculture and Manufacture.

Those atrocious Offenders who have committed
such barbarous Outrages in some few Counties,
have (it is hoped) been effectually intimidated and
restrained, by the Vigour with which their Offences
have been prosecuted, and by the Examples already
made; and I trust that the Law this Day passed,
will, by the Continuance of your wise, spirited and
vigilant Conduct, as Magistrates, prevent the Per-
petration of those Crimes for the future.

I cannot take my Leave of the last Session of this
Parliament, without acknowledging, in the warm-
est Terms of Approbation, the great Objects which
you have accomplished, for the Improvement and
Benefit of your Country, and for the Support of His
Majesty's Government; your wise and careful Regu-
lations for the Collection of the Revenue; your
discharging the heavy Arrear on His Majesty's Estab-
lishments; your liberal Support of them; the Rel-
ief which you have given to Public Credit; your
generous Abridgement of your own Privileges for
the Advantage of your Fellow-Subjects; your per-
fecting the System of a limited Duration of Parlia-
ments, by the several useful Laws made to expedite,
regulate and determine Elections; your ren-
dering the Laws for the Encouragement of Agricul-
ture more comprehensive and complete; your At-
tention to the Staple Manufacture of this Kingdom,
by a prudent Regulation of its Bounties; and your
wise Co-operation with the generous Policy of
Great Britain to encourage the Fisheries of this
Kingdom, are among the many Important Acquisi-
tions which it owes to His Majesty's Favour, and to
the Wisdom and good Conduct of this Parliament.

I cannot conclude without thanking you most
cordially for the constant Course of your uninter-
rupted Kindness and Attention to me, and particu-
larly for your Addresses, which are highly honour-
able and acceptable to me: And in Justice to you
I must say, that if the Public Credit, the Advance-
ment of the Revenue, and the Freedom of Electi-
ons, have been promoted by my Endeavours; if,
during my Administration, any new Sources for the
Extension of your Commerce, and for the Encou-
ragement of your Manufactures, have been opened;
the Success of those Endeavours are principally due
to your having enabled me to transmit the strongest
Representations in your Favour: And it will, at
all Times, give me the greatest Pleasure to represent