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*Dublin-Castle, October 12, 1779.*

**T**HIS Day the Parliament having met according to the last Prorogation, his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant went in State to the House of Peers, and being seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, the Honourable Henry Hobart, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from his Excellency to the House of Commons, signifying his Pleasure, that they should immediately attend his Excellency in the House of Peers: The Commons being come thither accordingly, his Excellency made the following Speech to both Houses:

*My Lords, and Gentlemen,*

**A**T a Time when the Trade and Commerce of this Kingdom are, in a more particular Manner, the Objects of Public Attention, it were to be wished that the general Tranquility, ever desirable, had been restored, so as to have left you entirely at Leisure to deliberate on those great and important Subjects. But I am persuaded you will not permit any Interests, however dear to you, to impede your Efforts, or disturb your Unanimity, at this most important Period: And I have it expressly in Command from His Majesty to assure you, that the Cares and Solicitudes, inseparable from a State of Hostility, have not prevented Him from turning His Royal Mind to the Interests and Distresses of this Kingdom with the most affectionate Concern; of which the Money remitted to this Country for it's Defence, when England had every Reason to apprehend a most formidable and immediate Attack, affords a convincing Proof. Anxious for the Happiness of His People, His Majesty will most cheerfully co-operate with His Parliaments in such Measures as may promote the common Interests of all His Subjects.

I have the Pleasure to inform you of an Accession to His Majesty's Family, since the last Session of Parliament, by the Birth of another Prince. May the same Providence that continues to increase His domestic Felicity, protect the Honor of His Crown and the Happiness of His People.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons,*

It is with great Concern I am to inform you, that on Account of the extraordinary Decline of the Revenues, the very liberal Supplies of the last Session have proved inadequate to the Exigencies of Government; so that, contrary to my most sanguine Expectations, and most earnest Endeavours, there is a considerable Arrear now to be provided for.

His Majesty, from His paternal Attention to the Interests of His People, and his Solitude to obviate to the Utmost the Necessity of increasing their Burdens, has graciously commanded me to declare to you, that the greatest Economy shall in every Instance be exerted, as far as may be consistent with the Honor of His Crown, and the real Interests of the Nation.

I have ordered the Public Accounts and other necessary Papers to be laid before you; and I have no Doubt that your known Loyalty to your King, and Attachment to your Country, will induce you to go as far as the national Abilities will admit, in making a Provision suitable to the Exigency of the Times, and the honorable Support of His Majesty's Government.

*My Lords, and Gentlemen,*

The united Efforts and great Military Preparations of the House of Bourbon seem only to have roused the Courage and called forth the Exertions of His Majesty's brave and loyal Subjects of this Kingdom. I have only to lament, that the exhausted State of the Treasury has hitherto put it out of my Power to give those Exertions the most extensive and Constitutional Operation, by carrying the Militia Laws into Execution.

I am persuaded you will not suffer any Dangers that may be threatned from Abroad to draw off your Attention from wife and necessary domestic Regulations; and that, among the many Subjects worthy of your Consideration, the Protestant Charter Schools and Linen Manufacture will continue to be Objects of your serious Attention.

In promoting these, and in all other Measures that may tend to increase the Prosperity and improve the true Interests of this Kingdom, I am bound to co-operate with you by a double Tie of Inclination and of Duty. Nothing can ever affect me with more real Satisfaction, than the exerting my best Endeavours for the Welfare of Ireland; nor can I ever render a more acceptable Service to my Sovereign, than in promoting the Happiness of His People.

*St. James's, October 19.*

The King has been pleased to grant the Dignity of a Baronet of Great Britain unto Francis Balleit, of Schidy in the County of Cornwall, Esq; and to his Heirs Male.

The King has been pleased to approve and confirm the Election of William Fitzherbert, of Tisfington in the County of Derby, Esq; to be Recorder of the Borough of Derby.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, October 19, 1779.*

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that there will not be a Drawing-Room at St. James's on the Anniversary of His Majesty's Accession to the Throne, Monday next the 25th Instant.

*War-Office, October 16, 1779.*

A Battalion of Foot, Sir Thomas Egerton, Bart. is appointed to be Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant. John Clayton, Esquire, to be Major.

*To be Captains.*

Thomas Legh, Esquire.  
William Hulton, Esquire.  
Thomas Clayton, Esquire.  
Richard Richardson, Esquire.

