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Westminster, May 30.

THIS Day, the Lords being met, a Message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by Mr. Quarme, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorized by Virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate Attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord High Chancellor of Great-Britain, the Lord President of the Council, and several other Lords therein mentioned, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to*

An Act for raising a certain Sum of Money by Loans or Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred and eighty-two; and for consolidating certain Annuities which were made one joint Stock by an Act made in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, with certain Annuities consolidated by several Acts made in the Twenty-fifth, Twenty-eighth, Twenty-ninth, Thirty-first, Thirty-second, and Thirty-third Years of the Reign of his said late Majesty, and several subsequent Acts.

An Act for charging a Stamp Duty upon Inland Bills of Exchange, Promissory Notes, or other Notes payable otherwise than upon Demand.

And to Four Private Bills.

St. James's, June 1.

The following Address of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland having been transmitted to the Earl of Shelburne, One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, by the Earl of Dalhousie, His Majesty's High Commissioner, has been presented to the King: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, met in National Assembly, beg Leave to embrace this first Opportunity of approaching the Throne with our respectful Congratulations upon the Success with which it hath pleased Almighty God to crown your Majesty's Arms.

Convinced that we owe our Existence and Protection as a National Church to the Stability of that Government under which we live, we take a warm Interest in the Train of striking Events, which, in the Course of Divine Providence, we have been called to behold; and it is our constant Study to cherish and diffuse Sentiments of Loyalty amongst the People with whom we are connected. With the heartfelt Satisfaction natural to Subjects of a free State, we have heard of the important Advantages lately gained by your Majesty's Arms in Europe, in Asia, and in America. We admire the Gallantry and good Conduct displayed by the Commanders employed in your Majesty's Service both at Home and Abroad; by which the Designs of your combined Enemies against some of our most valuable Settlements have been in a great Measure defeated. Relying upon the Wisdom and Vigour

of your Majesty's Counsels, we look forward with the most pleasing Hopes to the salutary Consequences of the glorious Victory obtained in the West Indies; and we lift our Souls in devout and thankful Acknowledgements to the Lord of Hosts.

That the Blessing of Heaven may continue to attend your Majesty's Counsels; That your Enemies, feeling in every Quarter of the Globe, the Force of the British Arms, may be disposed to listen to reasonable Terms of Accommodation; That He who ruleth in the Kingdoms of Men, who gives the Sword its Charge, and who alone can command it to return to its Scabbard, may enable your Majesty speedily to accomplish the paternal Wish of your Royal Breath, by restoring to your People the Blessings of an honourable and lasting Peace; That you may long sway the Sceptre over an united, grateful, and happy People; And that the Crown may descend with undiminished Splendour, through your Illustrious Family, to latest Generations, are the daily and earnest Prayers of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most faithful, most obedient,
and most loyal Subjects,

The Ministers and Elders met in this National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Signed in our Name, in our Presence, and at our Appointment, by

Edinburgh, Joseph M'Cormick, Moderator.

May 25, 1782.

The following Address of the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Essex, has been presented to the King by John Luther and Thomas Berney Branilton, Esqrs. Representatives in Parliament for the said County, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Essex, unanimously approved of at a General Meeting appointed by the High Sheriff, and held in the Shire-Hall at Chelmsford, on Monday the 27th Day of May, 1782.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Essex, impressed with a firm Veneration for the Constitution of our Country, and with the most sincere Attachment to your Royal Person and Family, beg Leave, with cordial Expressions of Gratitude, to acknowledge ourselves sensible of your Majesty's paternal Kindness for having graciously complied with the Wishes of your People, by calling to your Councils Persons of strict Integrity, distinguished Abilities, and, for their Constitutional Principles, deservedly possessing the Confidence of the Nation; and we also esteem it as a great Alleviation to our Minds, at this Time of general Distress, that your Majesty is pleased to recommend an effectual Plan of Economy through all the Branches of the Publick Expenditure.

We feel the highest Satisfaction in your Assurance, that your Majesty has no Reserves with your People