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Westminster, March 21.

**T**HIS Day, the Lords being met, a Message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by Robert Quarre, Esq; 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 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 punishing Mutiny and Desertion; and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters.*

*An Act for allowing the Importation of Goods from Europe, in Neutral Ships, into the Islands of Saint Christopher, Nevis, Montserrat, Dominica, Saint Vincent, Grenada, and the Grenadines; and of Goods, the Produce or Manufacture of the said Islands, and of Tobago and Saint Lucia, from thence into this Kingdom, in such Ships, upon Payment of the British Plantation Duties, for a limited Time; for permitting certain Goods, the Produce of those Islands, secured in Warehouses in this Kingdom, to be taken out on Payment of the British Plantation Duties, and to cancel certain Bonds entered into for Payment of the Duties due thereon; for further continuing certain temporary Acts for the Encouragement of Trade; and to repeal an Act, made in the Twenty-second Year of His Majesty's Reign, for allowing the Importation of Goods, the Growth of Saint Christopher, Nevis, and Montserrat, into any of His Majesty's Dominions in Europe or America.*

*An Act for authorizing the Treasurer of the Navy to pay to the Garrison and Naval Department at Gibraltar, the like Bounty for destroying certain Spanish Ships of War as is allowed to the Officers and Men on Board any of His Majesty's Ships of War taking or destroying Ships of War belonging to the Enemy.*

*An Act for rendering the Payment of Creditors more equal and expeditious in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland; and for making perpetual so much of an Act, made in the Twelfth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, as relates to Bills and Promissory Notes.*

*An Act for rendering more effectual the Provisions contained in an Act of the Thirteenth Year of King George the First, for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Dying Trade.*

*An Act for repealing an Act, made in the last Session of Parliament, for compelling John Whitebill, Esquire, to return into this Kingdom, and for other Purposes; and for vesting in the said John Whitebill his Estate and Effects forfeited in consequence of the said Act; and*

*for restraining him from going out of this Kingdom for a limited Time; and for discovering his Estate and Effects, and preventing the transporting or alienating the same.*

*An Act for continuing the Term and altering and enlarging the Powers of an Act of the Third Year of His present Majesty, for repairing the Roads from Maidenhead Bridge to Reading, and from the said Bridge to Henley Bridge, in the County of Berks.*

*An Act for continuing and enlarging the Term and Powers of an Act, made in the Third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for repairing and widening the Road from Lawton, in the County of Chester, to Burstim and Newcastle under Lyme, in the County of Stafford, and other Roads therein mentioned.*

And to Two Private Bills.

St. James's, March 21.

This Day the following Address was presented to the King, and read by Mr. David Barclay; accompanied by Mr. Jacob Hagen, Mr. Thomas Corbyn, Mr. John Eliot, Mr. John Wright, Mr. Thomas Knowles, and John Coakley Lettsom, M. D. being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To GEORGE the Third, King of Great Britain, and the Dominions thereunto belonging;  
The Address of the People called Quakers.

May it please the King!

**T**HE peaceable Principles of Christianity, which tend to promote the temporal and eternal Happiness of all Mankind, render the Event of Peace peculiarly grateful to us thy faithful Subjects, the People called Quakers; and we rejoice, that, as the Father of thy People, thy Mind is relieved from the painful Anxiety that must have accompanied their Destruction or Distress; for when we reflect on the dreadful Calamities, and the great Effusion of Human Blood, which ever attend the Prosecution of War, we deeply lament, that any of the Professors of the Christian Religion should continue a Practice so inconsistent with the Doctrines of Christ, the Prince of Peace. We trust, however, that in the Appointment of Divine Wisdom, the Time will come, when Nation shall not lift up Sword against Nation, neither shall they learn War any more. And it is the fervent Wish of our Hearts, that a Zeal for the Discouragement of Vice, Immorality, and Dissipation, and for the Promotion of Righteousness, which exalteth a Nation, may spread and increase amongst the Inhabitants of thy Dominions.

Impressed with a thankful Sense of the religious Privileges which we enjoy under thy Government, and attached as we sincerely are in Duty and Affection to thy Person and Family, it is our earnest Prayer, that