

## The Lond jazette.

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Westminster, July 11.

HIS Day His Majesty came to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, feated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Francis Molyneux, Gentle-man Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Mesfage from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Reyal Assent to

An Act to regulate, for a limited Time, the shipping and carrying Slaves, in British Vessels, from the Coast

of Africa.

After which His Majesty was pleased to make the following most Gracious Speech:

N the prefent advanced Season of the Year, and after the laborious Assendance after the laborious Attendance which the Public Business has required of you, I think it necessary to put an End to the present Session of Parliament. I cannot do this without expressing the Satisfaction with which I have observed the uniform and diligent Attention to the Welfare of My People, which has appeared in all your Proceedings.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons, The Chearfulness and Liberality with which you have granted the necessary Supplies, demand My particular Acknowledgments. It must afford you the greatest Satisfaction that you have been enabled, without any Addition to the Burthens of My People, to provide for the Extraordinary Exigencies of the last Year, in Addition to the current Demands of the Public Service, and to the Sum annually appropriated to the Reduction of the National Debt.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

I fee with Concern the Continuance of the War between Russia and the Porte, in which the Emperor has also taken a Part. But the general State of Europe, and the Assurances which I receive from Foreign Powers, afford me every Reason to expect that My Subjects will continue to enjoy the Bleffings

The Engagements which I have recently entered into with My good Brother the King of Prussia, and those with the States General of the United Provinces, which have already been communicated to you, are directed to this Object, which I have uniformly in View, and they will, I trust, be productive of the happiest Consequences, in promoting the Security and Welfare of My own Dominions, and in contributing to the general Tranquillity of Europe.

Then the Lord Chancellor, by His Majesly's Command, faid;

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

IT is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, that this Parliament be prorogued to Thursday the Twenty-fifth Day of September next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the Twenty-fifth Day of September next.

Whitehall, July 12.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint the Right Honourable John Earl of Chatham, Richard Hopkins, Esq; the Honourable John Jefferies Pratt (commonly called Lord Viscount Bayham;) John Leveson Gower, Esq; Rear Admiral of the Blue; the Honourable Henry Bathurst (commonly called Lord Apfley;) the Right Honourable Charles George Lord Arden, of the Kingdom of Ireland; and the Right Honourable Samuel Lord Hood, of the same Kingdom, Vice Admiral of the Blue, to be His Majesty's Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral of the Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland.

St. James's, July 2.

The following Address of the Agents for the American Loyalists has been presented to the King by Sir William Pepperrell, Bart. and the other Agents, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously, and they all had the Honour to kis His Majesty's

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty, The humble Address of the Agents for the American Loyalists.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

OUR Majesty's ever dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Agents for the American Loyalists, who have heretofore been the Suppliants of your Majesty on Behalf of their distressed Constituents, now humbly beg Leave to approach your Throne, to pour forth the ardent Effusions of their grateful Hearts for your most gracious and effectual Recommendation of their Claims to the just and generous Confideration

of Parliament.

To have devoted their Fortunes, and hazarded their Lives in Defence of the just Rights of the Crown, and the fundamental Principles of the British Constitution, were no more than their Duty demanded of them, in common with your Majesty's other Subjects; but it was their peculiar Fortune to be called to the Trial; and it is their Boast and their Glory to have been found equal to the Task. They have now the distinguished Happiness of seeing their Fi-delity approved by their Sovereign, and recompenced by Parliament; their Fellow Subjects chearfully contributing to compensate them for the Forseitures their Attachment to Great Britain incited them to incur; thereby adding Dignity to their own exalted Character among the Nations of the World, and holding out to Mankind the glorious Principles of Justice, Equity, and Benevolence, as the firmest Basis

We should be wanting in Justice and Gratitude, if we did not, upon this Occasion, acknowledge the Wisdom and Liberality of the Provisions proposed by your Majesty's Servants, conformable to your Majesty's gracious Intentions, for the Relief and Accommo-

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