

eight Officers of her Household, who are to go as far as *St. J. de la Chapelle* in *Alsace* to meet her; The Bishop of *Condom*, Tutor to the Dauphin, is to be her chief Almoner; The Duke of *R. de Richelieu* Knight of Honour, the Marechal de *Bellefonds* Master of the Horse, &c. It is said that their Majesty will part hence upon the 25<sup>th</sup> of *January*, for *Condom*, from whence the King will advance a days journey to meet the Princess his Daughter. The last week the Dutch Ambassadors were at *St. Germain* to desire an Audience of the King, but after having waited there Fornoon and Afternoon, returned without obtaining it, being told the King was busy; which makes people here think that the States General have acted something that the King is displeas'd at, and that this was done to shew the Ambassadors his resentment of it. At *Geneya* there has happened some disturbance, occasioned by the carriage of the French Resident there, which went so far as to draw the Commonalty together and to put the Resident in some danger, a Pistol having been discharged at him, but the Person that did it was by order of the magistrates, though with some difficulty secured. They have sent Deputies hither to make their excuse to the King, but his Majesty will not yet admit them to his Presence declaring that he will first be informed of the matter of fact. The Prince of *Canti* is to marry *Madam Campbell de Blois*, the Kings natural Daughter.

*Plymouth*, Dec. 16. The King-Esther continues as yet in this Port, expecting the *Woodwich* Frigate and the rest of the Fleet of Merchant Ships bound for the *Streights*. The Earl of *Feverham* is made Master of the Horse to the Queen in the room of *Sir John Arundel*.

*Whitehall*, Dec. 19. *Sir Edward Wood*, His Majesties late Envoy to the King of *Sweden*, being returned from that Employment, on Monday last kissed their Majesties hands, by whom he was very graciously received.

*Whitehall*, Dec. 20. His Majesty has thought fit to revoke His Letters Patents constituting the Duke of *Monmouth* Master of His Horse.

*Whitehall* Dec. 21. His Majesty, out of his continual care of the Protestant Religion, having thought fit to appoint a Committee of the Lords of His Privy Council to consider of the most effectual means for putting the Laws in execution against the Papists, and for the suppression of Popery, and their Lordships having at several times met and reported their opinions, in this behalf, to His Majesty in Council, the Justices of the Peace of *Middlesex* and *Westminster* have received Orders (in pursuance of the late Proclamation against Papists residing in or near *London*) to cause Lists to be forthwith taken of all House-keepers, and especially such as let Lodgings within the Bills of Mortality, and of all Midwives, Apothecaries, and Physicians that are Papists or suspected to be such, and to return the Lists to the Council Board for their effectual Prosecution; And that no Papist may be harboured, or thought to receive Protection within any of His Majesties houses, a Commission is preparing for the Officers of the Green-Cloth to tender the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, and to offer the Test unto all such Papists and suspected Papists as shall be found in *Whitehall* and the Precinct thereof, who are thereupon to be proceeded against according to Law. And the Messengers and Knight-Marshals men are ordered to seize and carry them before the said Officers. And a Reward of ten pounds is to be paid to the Discoverer of any Papist or suspected Papist who shall be harboured in any of his Majesties Houses, and the Officer who harbours them shall be turned out of his plate.

The Justices of the Peace are likewise permitted to search *Somerset-House*, at any time in the Queens absence, as also *St. James's*, for Priests and Papists.

And that no Popish Recusant may expect any Favour or Connivance for their staying in Town,

His Majesty hath declared His resolution not to grant them any Dispensations or Licences to that effect.

And for the preventing the resort of all persons to the Chappels of Ambassadors and foreign Ministers of the Popish Religion, except they be their Menial Servants, the Justices of the Peace, are directed to impart the List of such Servants to the Constables and Beadles of their respective Parishes, who are, upon Sundays and Holydays, to seize all Persons who shall be found unduly resorting thither, that they be prosecuted according to Law.

A Proclamation is likewise preparing to warn all His Majesties Subjects of the danger they incur by their being seduced to the Popish Religion, and to encourage all Persons to discover those that go about to seduce them, or are seduced to that Religion, as also such as are or have been bred in Popish Seminaries, and such others as shall send any maintenance to them.

And that no encouragement may be wanting in order to the Conviction of Papists, a Privy Seal is passing to enable all the Judges to reward according to their discretions, all Persons that shall prosecute such Popish Recusants before them, to be paid out of the Estates or Forfeitures of those who shall be convicted by their Prosecutions.

And for such persons as are already imprisoned any where, upon suspicion of being Popish Priests, it is further ordered that they be forthwith prosecuted to an Attainder.

And whereas the Lords of the Committee have received Copies of the Lists of the Papists and reputed Papists of *England* and *Wales*, which had been lodged in the House of Commons by the Knights of the respective Shires, the Lord Chancellor is directed to cause Commissions to be prepared forthwith (in which the said Lists are to be inserted) empowering and requiring the Justices of the Peace of each County to tender the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy to the persons particularly named therein, and, upon their refusal, to proceed against them according to Law, in order to their speedy Conviction; which Commissions are to be accompanied not only by special Instructions for the better direction of the said Justices herein, but also with Letters from the Council Board, requiring and encouraging them diligently to execute the said Commissions, and to return an account of their proceedings in pursuance thereof, as also to send up the names of all others whom they shall know or suspect to be Papists, not mentioned in the said Commissions.

And the Lists of some Counties having been formerly withdrawn, or not delivered to the Clerk of the House of Commons, Letters are written from the Lords of the Council to the Knights of the Shires who served in Parliament at that time, to remit them to the Council Board, that thereupon Commissions may be prepared in like manner as is already directed in respect of the other Counties.

#### Advertisement.

These are to give notice that the Creditors of *John Lindsay* are desired to meet, upon the 31<sup>st</sup> day of this instant *December*, at *Widow Kemps* Coffee house, in *Exchange-Alley*, at 3 of the Clock in the Afternoon precisely, forasmuch as something of importance will be communicated to them about this affair; And they are desired to come themselves or to empower a friend to meet for them.