

an extraordinary grief, the eldest Son and Protector of the Church threatened, as in other occasions those Princes, which have usurped its Rights, have been. Our Design is not to enter into the bottom of this Affair, in which, the Assemblies that have preceded this, have on divers occasions, received very considerable marks of your Justice and Piety; but we look upon this extraordinary proceeding with great Affliction, which, far from supporting the Honor of the Religion, and the Glory of the Holy See, may diminish it, and produce very ill Effects. It is too plain, that it would only serve to favour the malice of some troublesome and seditious Spirits, who contrary to the intentions of his Holiness, which we believe to be very good, would make use of his Name and Authority, as they do daily, in causing several extravagant Reports to be spread abroad, against the Honor of your Majesty, and the chief Prelats of your Kingdom, to revenge their private Resentments. They likewise use their utmost endeavors to raise a misunderstanding between the Clergy and the Crown, in a time, that they never had more cause to be united, by the Protection which your Majesty gives to the Faith, and the Ecclesiastical Discipline, to the extirpation of Heresies and Novelties. It is ease for us, being assisted by your Majesty, to prevent so pernicious an evil, either, by representing our sentiments to his Holiness, without failing in the Respect which we owe him, or by taking such Resolutions, as may equal the Prudence and Zeal of the greatest Prelats of the Church. Our Predecessors have known in like Conjunctions, to maintain the Liberty of their Churches, without departing from those measures of Respect, which their Birth, and their Religion has infused in them for their Kings. And as your Majesty, for his Zeal and Authority, surpasses all that have been before him; so are we so fast linked to him, that nothing is able to separate us. This Protestation may serve to elude the vain Enterprizes of the enemies of the Holy See, and the State, and therefore we renew it to your Majesty, with all possible Sincerity and Affection; for it is good that all the world should be informed, that we know how the love we bear to the Discipline of the Church, ought to agree with the Glorious Quality, which we will always preserve of Sir, Your most Humble, most Obedient, and Faithful Subjects and Servants.

Paris July 20. The 13th Instant their Majesties and the whole Court parted from St. Germain for Flanders; That night they lay at Beaumont sur Oise. The next day at Beauvais, the 15th at Poix, and the 16th at Abbeville, from whence they parted again the next morning for Montreuil, thence they goe to Bologne, and Calais, where the Court will be on Wednesday next. The King has appointed the Marquis d'Angeau, to go and Compliment the King of England, from whom the Earl of Oxford comes to make the like Compliment on this side.

Dublin, July 6. We have an Account of a very strange and sad Accident which has happened near Newtown Stewart in Ulster, as follows,

Newtown Stewart, June 29. Saturday last about ten a clock in the morning we heard much Thunder, near fifteen miles from hence, which made many great breaches in a Mountain, and such spouts of water fell upon the place so broken up, that the Flood hurried the loosen'd Earth with it to the bottom, and swell'd a Brook which falls into the River near this place, so suddenly, and so high, that it carried away all that stood before it, the people who liv'd near the Banks, had not time to get out of their Houses, but were, with their Goods and Houses, all swept away and perish'd; the Beasts that fed near it were

lost; the very Fish were stifled with the Mud which the Currant brought with it; great quantities of Salmon, of Trouts, of Lamperns (which I never saw here before) even the Eels that live in Mud, were choak'd by this, and thrown dead upon the Shore; and I do not believe there is one Fish left alive in the River, from the Mountains to the Sea: My Curiosity led me yesterday to the place where this kind of Deluge began, and truly I was amazed to see a Mountain torn in above ten several places, and all the low Ground by the River, for ten miles together, covered with the Ruines, the Corn fields were buried; I cannot yet learn exactly how many were perished, but by the accounts that are given, there are lost in several places, Fifty persons, and abundance of Cattle.

Portsmouth, July 11. Several Merchants Ships are now at Spithead; and yesterday the Sweepstakers, Capt. Temple Commander, came thither from the Downs, with some Merchants Ships.

London, July 14. This day John Giles was brought to his Tryal at the Sessions at the Old Baily, for barbarously Assaulting, and desperately wounding John Arnold Esq; and was found Guilty, and is to receive Sentence on Saturday next, to which time the Sessions are Adjourned.

Whitehall, July 14. His Majesty was pleas'd this day to Declare in Council, that he thought fit to Proogue the Parliament, from the 22 Instant, to the 23 of the next month,

Advertisements.

Historical Collections, or an Exact Account of the Proceedings of the four last Parliaments of Queen Elizabeth, wherein is contained the Compleat Journals, both of Lords and Commons, taken from the Original Record of their Houses, during all the last notable Sessions, comprehending the passages of the History of those times, By Wilyard Townsend, a Member in those Parliaments. Sold by Tho. Basset, Wul. Crook, and Wul. Cadman, at the George in Fleetstreet, at the Great Dragon without Temple Bar, and at the Popes Head, at the New-Exchange in the Strand.

A White Silk Pocket, with a Pocket Looking-Glass, four small Keys, and a Cambrick Handkerchief, lost on Monday last in St. James's Park, about 8 or 9 a clock in the evening. If any one can give notice of it to Mr. James Herck, Goldsmith, at the Nether Bay in Fleetstreet, London, shall have 20 s reward.

Stolen or strayed from Ampbill Town in Bedfordshire, in the Month of March last, from the Right Honourable the Lord Bruce, a young Fox Hound Bitch, White, with one Grizzlish broad spot on her left Shoulder, her Head sharp, and her Stern cut; Whosoever will bring her, or give notice of her, to Mr. Earnley of Saucunakle Forreist in Wiltshire, to Mr. Catis, Mealman at Smiths Id Barrs, London, to Mr. Hyliaud at Croydon in Surrey, or to his Lordships Huntman at Ampbill aforesaid, shall have a Guinea reward.

Stole the 8th of this Instant July, early in the morning, out of the Stable of Mr. John Miles, at Smockinton in Warwickshire, a Sorrel Horse, six years old, between 14 and 15 hands high, a Star in his Forehead, a bob-tail, with a Leather Saddle stich'd with Blue Silk, a Green Saddle-cloth, Snaite Bridle. If any person can give notice of the said Horse, to Mr. Grantham at the Rose Inn in Smithfield, Mr. Miled in Clevesfield in Derbyshire, or to Mr. John Miles in Smockinton in Warwickshire, shall be very well rewarded for their pains.

Lost on Friday last being the 9th Instant, about Stratford, a Linear Eow in Essex, a White Spaniel Dog, of a middle size, crop'd Ears, almost close to his Head, with a little black Hair on one of his Ears, Eyes, Nose, and Mouth as black as Jetts, Whosoever can give notice of him to Tho. Filer, at the Black in Hand in Stratford, or to Mr. Smith a Bookseller under the Royal Exchange, London, or to the City Cryer, they shall be well rewarded.