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Edinburgh, Novemb. 3.

HIS Majesties Privy Council here have made the following Act, concerning the Test.

FOrasmuch as some have entertained Jealousies and Prejudices against the Oath and Test appointed to be taken by all Persons in Publick Trust, Civil, Ecclesiastick or Military in this Kingdom, by the Sixth Act of His Majesties Third Parliament, as if thereby they were to Swear to every Proposition or Clause of the Confession of Faith therein mentioned, or that Invasion were made by it upon the Intrinsicke Spiritual Power of the Church, or Power of the Keys; or as if the present Episcopal Government of this National Church by Law Established, were thereby exposed to the hazard of Alteration or Subversion; all which are far from the Intention or Design of the Parliaments imposing this Oath, and from the Genuine Sense and Meaning thereof: Therefore His Royal Highness, His Majesties High Commissioner, and the Lords of the Privy Council, do allow, authorize and empower the Archbishops and Bishops, to administer this Oath and Test to the Ministers in their respective Diocesses, in this express Sense, as the Sense of the Parliament. I. That ~~though the Confession of Faith~~ raised in Parliament 1567. was framed in the Infancy of our Reformation, and deserves its due praise; yet by the Test we do not Swear to every Proposition or Clause therein contained, but only to the true Protestant Religion founded on the Word of God, contained in that Confession as it is opposed to Popery and Phanaticism. II. That by the Test, or any Clause therein contained, no Invasion or Inroadment is made or intended upon the Intrinsicke Spiritual Power of the Church, or Power of the Keys, as it was exercised by the Apostles, and the most Pure and Primitive Church in the first three Centuries after Christ, and which is still reserved intirely to the Church. III. That the Oath and Test is without any prejudice to the Episcopal Government of this National Church, which is declared by the first Act of the second Session of His Majesties first Parliament, to be most agreeable to the Word of God, and most suitable to Monarchy, and which upon all occasions His Majesty hath declared He will inviolably and unalterably preserve. And do appoint the Archbishops and Bishops to require the Ministers in their respective Diocesses, with their first convenientcy, to Obey the Law in Swearing and Subscribing the foresaid Oath and Test; with Certification that the Refusers, shall be esteemed Persons disaffected to the Protestant Religion, and to His Majesties Government; and that the punishment appointed by the foresaid sixth Act of His Majesties third Parliament, shall be impartially and without delay inflicted upon them.

Hamburg, November 18. The Letters from Berlin assure us, That an Alliance is lately concluded between the Electors of Brandenburg and Saxony, by which they promise mutually to defend and assist each other, and for that purpose

to bring into the Field, when they shall be thereunto required, an Army of 20000 Men. The Plague is much abated at Maegdeburg, so that there, dyes not now above 12 or 14 in a day. From Stockholme we have an Account, of an ill Accident that had happened to the King, he having broke his Leg, and much bruised himself by a fall from his Horie.

Brussels, Nov. 21. The great preparations which the French make in our neighborhood, afford us still matter of jealousy; but our Governor the Prince of Parma has so well provided our Frontier Garrisons, that they are, we hope, in no danger of a surprize. The Deputies of the Admiralties of Holland have adjusted the Account of Moneys owing to them by the King of Spain, for the Equipages they made for the service of that Crown during the last War. On Wednesday last arrived here an Expreß, sent by the Governor of Audenard, to give his Highness an Account, that about 50 or 60 of the new raised Germans that are in Garrison there, had mutined, on pretence that they wanted their Pay, and that they had with their Arms in their hands, forced their passage through the Guard at one of the Gates, with design to go over to the French; but that the Governor upon the first notice he had of the disorder, got on Horseback, and followed them with a small Party, and having overtaken them, killed 4 or 5 upon the place, and brought the rest back to Audenard; It is said that every tenth man of them will be hanged. From Vienna we have the good News, that the Transylvanians had raised the Siege of Zattmar.

Hague, November 21. The Answer of the States to the Memorial, presented by the French Ambassador on the Eighth Instant, does not, as we are informed, please him; and he has told some of the States, That the King his Master will not take well their having made that Alliance with the King of Sweden. From Germany they write, That the Emperor was about sending an Envoy to the Elector of Saxony, and to other Electors and Princes of the Empire, to propose to them a League for the Defence of the Empire, and the maintaining the Peace of Westphalia and Nimeguen; and that there was a report that a particular Alliance was Negotiating between the Electors of Brandenburg and Saxony, and the House of Lunenburg, for their Mutual Defence and Preservation. And, this State, that it may not be wanting in making a Necessary Provision for its safety, has resolved to add 10 Men, or 20 if there be occasion, to every Company now in its Service. The Letters from Lidge say, They doubt not but they shall be able in a short time to tell us, That all Differences between their Prince and them are composed.

Whitchal, Nov. 18. The following Address was Presented to His Majesty, by Colonel Broxholme, who served as Burgess for that Corporation in the last Parliaments.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty,

W E Tour Majesties most Dutiful, Loyal, and Obedient Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Common-Council-men, and Freemen of Tour Majesties ancient Corporation of Great Grimsby, in the County of Lincoln, being truly sensible of the Felicities and Advantages, we, together with all Tour Majesties Subjects have enjoyed under Tour Majesties most Gracious Government, ever since Tour Majesties happy Restauration; when we also were restored to our Religion and Liberties, which by Tour Princely Care is still preserved entire to us; Do with all imaginable Gratitude, humbly implore Tour Majesties Acceptance of our unfeigned Thanks for the same; and also for Tour Majesties most Gracious Declaration, whereby Tour Majesty is pleased to manifest to the World, Tour Royal Resolution to Support and Defend the Protestant Religion, as it is here by Law established, and to Protect your Subjects in their Legal Rights and Liberties; That we are not earlier with this our Humble Address, will not we hope be by your Majesty imputed to our backwardness or bestiality towards any dutiful expression of our Loyalty, when we have humbly beg'd leave to assure Tour Majesty, That there is not one Member of this your Corporation who is a Dissenter from (that perfect exemplar of Steady Loyalty) the Church of England. And though we are late in our Applications, yet are we unanimous in our Resolutions, to preserve with our Lives and Fortunes your Majesties Sacred Person Crown and Government, your lawful Successors, and the Established Protestant Religion, against all Opposition whatsoever: In testimony of our full and free concurrence herein, we have hereto Affixt our Common Seal, and every one of us Subscribed our hands the Twentieth of October, in the Three and Thirtieth year of your Majesties benigne Reign, and in the year of our Lord 1681.

Deal, Nov. 17. Yesterday passed by at the East side of the Goodwin, about 80 or 90 Sail of Dutch Ships outward bound, the Wind being high and contrary, will bring them all into the Downs, if it continues; There are about ten come in already. About Noon a Vessel of 30 or 40 Tuns (supposed to be a Billander) being under Sail, over-taken, by what accident we know not; several Boats are gone off to help her. The Wind is now, being three in the Afternoon, at West and by South, a Top-sail Gale.

Deal, November 19. The Vessel we told you overset in the Downs yesterday, was a Hoy belonging to *Deper*, bound for *London*, the Men were all saved, but the Vessel sunk. Several others of the Dutch Fleet of Merchant Ships are come into the Downs.

Westminster, Nov. 16. This day Mr. *Kearney*, who was accused to be one of the four Russians that were to have Assassinated His Majesty at *Windsor*; and who lately surrendered himself, was brought to the *Kings-Bench Bar*, and produced a Writ of Error to Reverse the Outlawry against him, which was allowed by the Court, and he remanded to Prison.

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W Hereas Captain Henry Wilkinson in an Information lately Printed, hath affirm'd, That We Walter Baines and John Booth, did offer to him Five Hundred Pounds a Year, or Ten Thousand Pounds in Money, and Five Hundred Pounds a Year out of the Duke of York's Lands in Ireland; We do declare, That We, nor either of Us, made to him any of the Offers aforesaid, nor had Commission so to do from any Person whatsoever, upon any the Conditions mentioned in the said Information, or upon any other whatsoever. And We do further declare, That the said Captain Henry Wilkinson did propound to Us, that He would make great Discoveries relating to the Earl of Shaftsbury, if so be he might have Two Thousand Pounds, and his Pardon first granted; which We told him would look like a Subornation, as abhorring such Practices. And this We shall be ready to testify upon Our Oaths when We shall be thereto lawfully call'd.

JOHN BOOTH,
WALTER BAINES.

Advertisements.

ALL Gentlemen, Sons of the CLERGY, that please to meet their Brethren at Bow Church on Thursday the first of December next, and thence to Merchant-Tailors Hall to Dinner, may be accommodated with Tickets at Mr. Arthur Tooker's, at the corner of St. Martins Lane in the Strand Stationer; and at Mr. Richard Williams's at London Stone in Cannon Street.

ON Monday the 12th of December 1681, will be exposed to Sale by way of Auction, the Libraries of the Reverend and Learned Dr. William Ouram, late one of the Prebendaries of Westminster; together with much of the Library of the Famous Mr. Thomas Gasater, as was preserved out of the Flames of London; at the Auction-House over against Warwick-Court in Warwick Lane, London, by William Aubrey, Book seller. The Catalogues are distributed gratis by the said William Aubrey at the Pelican in Little Britain, William Not in the Pall-Mall, Richard Chiswel at the Roze and Crown in St. Pauls Churchyard, Christopher Wilkinson at the Black Boy over against St. Dunstons Church in Fleetstreet, William Hinchman in Westminster-Hall, Mr. Everleigh, Mr. Teo in Exeter, Mr. West in Oxford, Mr. Dickerson in Cambridge, and Mr. Clarke in Tr. Bookellers.

A Negro Boy of about 15 years old, but low in stature, in an Orange-colour Cloth Livery, with Orange-colour Stockings, no Cap or Hat on his Head, on his Crown a little bare spot, strayed away on Thursday last. Whoever brings news of him to Mr. Mans Coffee-house at Charing-Cross, or to Mr. Henry Hall living in Eyestreet in Tickadilly, shall have a Guinea, and all his Charges born.

THele are to give Notice, That there were apprehended about the 14th of September last, near Bishol, and are now in Hellesier Goal, two Men, viz. Alexander Lee, a Broker (as he said) by Trade, and lived at Griff in Kent, a Tall man, his own Hair, very swarthy, about 40 years of age, and hath been burnt in the Hand. Francis Buckley, who saith he lived in Tottenham-Court, near Southampton-house in London, at the Queens-Head, a Victualler, of a middle stature, likewise very swarthy, his own Hair, very Black, and about 40 years of age.

STollen out of the Grounds of Mr. Edward Young of Charing in the County of Kent, the 8th Instant, a bright Bay Mare, a bob Tail, above 14 hands high, a large Star on her Forehead, her Mane Black, it falls both ways, the hath all her Paces, she is about nine years old, when she was stolen, her Shoes were Steeleed, Whoever brings Tidings of the said Mare (so that she may be had again) to the said Mr. Edward Young at Charing, or to Mr. Charles Harper at the Flower-de-Luce over against St. Dunstons Church in Fleetstreet, shall have 20s. reward.

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