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THE King has put off his Journey to *Compeigne* till the beginning of *September*, and Orders are sent to defer the Encamping of the Forces there till towards that time, that the Corn thereabouts may be all off the Ground. The Grand Prior continues still in the *Bastille*. Orders were given the last week for the Disbanding of 12 of the youngest Regiments in *France*. The *Sieur Cronsroom* being sent by the Duke of *Holstein Gotorp* to this Court, to notify his Marriage with the Princess *Hedwig Sophia*, Sister to the King of *Sweden*, has accordingly had Audience of the King at *Versailles*. Last Thursday the Envoy from the King of *Poland* had Audience of the Duke and Ducheſs of *Orleans*, and of the Duke de *Chartres*, and Mademoiſelle Daughter to the Duke of *Orleans*. The Count d'*Avaux*, Ambaſſador from this Crown to the King of *Sweden*, having deſired leave to return home, the King has appointed the Count de *Guiscard* to ſucceed him in that Embaſſy, and he is accordingly preparing for his departure.

Clownell, July 22. The Lord Marquis of *Wincheſter*, and the Earl of *Galloway*, Lords-Juſtices of *Ireland*, parted from *Dublin* on the 16th inſtant, and came that Evening to *Kilkenny*, where they were ſplendidly entertained by her Grace the Ducheſs of *Ormond*. On the 18th, they arrived at *Waterford*, being met on the Road by divers Gentlemen of that County; and at ſome diſtance from the Town, by the Mayor, Recorder, and other Officers of the Corporation, with whom they dined. The next day their Lordſhips viewed the Garriſon, and afterwards *Duncannon* Fort, and were entertained at Dinner by Colonel *Purcell* the Governor. Before their departure from *Waterford*, their Lordſhips Conferred the Honour of Knight-hood on *John Maſon* Eſq; the preſent Mayor of that City: And on *Wednesday* their Lordſhips came to this place, being attended by the Sheriff, and divers Gentlemen of this County, who went to meet them on the Road, and by the Mayor, Aldermen and Recorder, and principal Inhabitants of this Corporation. Yeſterday their Lordſhips went to *Two-Mile-Bridge*, near this Town, and took a Review of Colonel *Ecklynn's* Regiment of Dragoons, and Colonel *How's*, Colonel *Guſtavus Hamilton's*, and the Marquis of *Puiſſar's* Regiments of Foot, which are there encamped. This day they again Reviewed the ſaid Regiments; and to morrow their Lordſhips intend to proceed to *Cork*.

Edinburg, July 23. The Parliament of this Kingdom met on Tueſday the 19th inſtant; And His Majesty's Commiſſion, Conſtituting *Patrick* Earl of *Marchmont*, (Lord Chancellor of *Scotland*) His Majesty's High Commiſſioner for holding the ſame, was Read; as likewiſe His Majesty's Letter to my Lord Commiſſioner; appointing the Viſcount *Seafield*, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State, to be Preſident during this Seſſion, and the Lord *Polwarth* to ſit and Vote, as Lord High Treafurer; who being both preſent, were Sworn, and having Signed the Aſſurance and Aſſociation, took their Places in the uſual manner. His Majesty's moſt Gracious Letter to the Parliament was Read, wherein His Majesty thanks them for the Proofs of their Loyalty and good Affection to His Perſon and Government in the former Seſſions of Parliament. And does Aſſure them, that He Deſigns to give them ſuch Encouragement, upon all occaſions, as may make them find the Advantage of their Faithfulneſs and Duty to him.

That he is ſenſible of their Chearful Aſſiſtance during the continuance of the War, which by the Bleſſing of God is now ended in an Honourable Peace.

His Majesty acquaints them, That he intended to hold this Seſſion in Perlon, but the preſent Circumſtances of Affairs hindered him from proſecuting that Deſign.

That He has appointed the Earl of *Marchmont* to repreſent His Royal Perſon and Authority among them; with whoſe Fitneſs and Abilities for Diſcharging this Truſt His Majesty is well ſatisfied.

That His Majesty has fully inſtructed him to do whatever may be neceſſary for the Support of the Government and Safety of this Kingdom.

That Our Enemies abroad, and thoſe who are Diſaffected to the Government at home, are ſtill ready to lay hold of all Opportunites for carrying on their bad Deſigns; And therefore His Majesty judges it abſolutely neceſſary for our Preſervation, that the Forces upon the preſent Eſtabliſhment be continued; and does not doubt but they will provide ſuitable Supplies for maintaining them.

His Majesty recommends to them the raiſing Supplies to make good the Deficiencies of the Funds given in former Seſſions, the Paying the Arrears that are due, and Repairing the Forts and Garriſoned Places.

And the taking effectual Methods to Diſcourage Vice; Immorality and Irreligion.

And His Majesty gives them Aſſurance of his Care to maintain their Religion, Laws, and Liberties; Recommends to them Unanimity, and Cordial Concurrence in the Diſpatch of the publick Affairs, that it may appear to all, they are not Unmindful of the Happy Deliverance they have had from the Dangers to which their Religion and Liberties were formerly Expoſed: And laſtly, His Majesty Aſſures them of His Royal Favour and Protection in all their Concerns.

After which, the Lord High Commiſſioner, and the Lord Preſident, made their Speeches to the Parliament; and then Adjourned the ſame to Thursday the 21th, when the Parliament met again, and appointed Four Commitees, one to conſider of the Security of the Kingdom, one for Trade, one for Elections, and the fourth for returning an Answer to His Majesty's moſt Gracious Letter: All which were ordered to meet the next day in the morning; And then the Parliament was Adjourned till the 23th.

This day the Parliament met accordingly, and the Commitees having made their Report, it was Voted, that the

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