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Westminster, Nov. 16.

THE Parliament met this day; And the King being come to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes Seated on the Throne, the Commons were sent for up by the Deputy-Usher of the Black Rod, who attended His Majesty accordingly: And then His Majesty made a most Gracious Speech to both Houses, which follows.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Hope you will not think I have called you out of your Countries too soon, if you consider that Our Common Security requires a farther Provision should be made for the Safety of the Kingdom by Sea and Land, before We are at the End of what was Granted for that Purpose the last Session. And when you enter upon this Business, I believe you will think it Necessary to take Care of the Repairs of the Ships, and of the Fortifications, without which, Our Fleet cannot be Safe when it is in Harbour.

I cannot Omit to put you in mind of another Matter, in which so great a Number of My Subjects is Concerned, and wherein the Honour of the Kingdom and the Faith of Parliaments is so far Engaged, that Our future Security seems to Depend upon it; I mean the making Good the Deficiencies of the Funds, and the Discharging the Debts Contracted by reason of the War.

And till We may be so happy to see the Publick Debts Paid, I shall hope, that no Session will End without something done towards Lessening them. While I am speaking to you on this Head, I think My Self Obligated to mention, with a very Particular Concern, a Debt which is Owning to the Prince of Denmark, the State whereof I have Ordered to be laid before you.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

These Things are of such Importance, that I must earnestly Recommend them to your Consideration, and desire you to Provide the Necessary Supplies.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

There is nothing I should more Rejoice in, than that I were not under the Necessity of so often Asking Aids of My People; But as the Reason of it is Evident, because the Funds formerly applied to defray the Publick Expence, are now anticipated for Payment of the Debts of the Kingdom; so it is My Satisfaction that you all see, that nothing of what is Demanded is for any Personal Use of Mine. And I do Faithfully Assure you, That no Part of what is Given, shall be diverted from any Purpose for which it is D-signed.

I believe the Nation is already Sensible of the Good Effects of Peace, by the manifest Increase of Trade, which I shall make it My Business to Encourage by all Means in My Power. Probably it might receive an Advantage, if some Good Bill were prepared for the more Effectual Preventing and Punishing Unlawful and clandestine Trading, which does not only tend to Defraud the Publick, but Prejudices the Fair Merchant, and Discourages Our Own Manufactures.

The Increase of the Poor is become a Burden to the Kingdom, and their Loose and Idle Life does in some measure contribute to that Depravation of Manners, which is Complained of (I fear with too much Reason.) Whether the Ground of this Evil be from Defects in the Laws already made, or in the Execution of them, deserves your Consideration. As it is an Inexpensable Duty, That the Poor, who are not able to help themselves, should be Maintained, so I cannot but think it extremely Desirable, That such as are Able and Willing, should not want Employment; and such as are Obstinate and Unwilling, should be compelled to Labour.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I have a full Assurance of the Good Affections of My People, which I shall endeavour to Preserve by a Constant Care of their Just Rights and Liberties; by Maintaining

the Established Religion; by seeing the Course of Justice kept steady and Equal; the Countenancing Virtue, and Discouraging Vice; and by declining no Difficulties or Dangers where their Welfare and Prosperity may be Concerned.

These are my Resolutions, and I am perswaded that you are come together with Purposes on your Part, suitable to These on Mine. Since then Our Aims are only for the General Good, Let Us act with Confidence in One Another, which will not fail, by God's Blessing, to make Me a Happy King, and you a Great and Flourishing People.

A LIST of the Sheriffs appointed by His Majesty for the Year ensuing.

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| Berks, | George Blagrave Esq; |
| Bedford, | Sir John Burgoyne. |
| Bucks, | Richard Whitchurch Esq; |
| Cumberland, | Robert Carleton Esq; |
| Cheshire, | Jonathan Brewyn Esq; |
| Cambridge & Huntingdon, | Richard Read Esq; |
| Cornwal, | William Scawen Esq; |
| Devon, | John Davis Esq; |
| Dorset, | Robert Swayne Esq; |
| Derby, | Robert Russell Esq; |
| Ebor. | Fairfax Norcliff Esq; |
| Essex, | George Pochin Esq; |
| Glocester, | Thomas Chester Esq; |
| Hertford, | Henry Gore Esq; |
| Hereford, | John Hereford Esq; |
| Kent, | William Woodgate Esq; |
| Leicester, | Thomas Skerwington Esq; |
| Lincoln, | Christopher Berisford Esq; |
| Monmouth, | Edmund Morgan Esq; |
| Northumberl. | William Wilkinson Esq; |
| Northampton, | Elmes Steward Esq; |
| Norfolk, | Edward Lomb Esq; |
| Nottingham, | Richard Brunt Esq; |
| Oxford, | Burlace Warren Esq; |
| Rutland, | Nehemiah Tookey Esq; |
| Salop, | Thomas Powell Esq; |
| Somerfet, | Francis Holler Newman Esq; |
| Scaffold, | Thomas Nabs Esq; |
| Suffolk, | Samuel Warner Esq; |
| Surrey, | Leonard Wessell Esq; |
| Sussex, | Thomas Woodyer Esq; |
| Warwick, | John Shugbrough Esq; |
| Worcester, | Benjamin Jollyff Esq; |
| Wilts, | Joseph Holton Esq; |

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| Glamorgan; | Sir John Thomas. |
| Brecknock, | Thomas Price Esq; |
| Radnor, | Edward Price Esq; |
| Carmarthen; | Walter Morgan Esq; |
| Pembroke, | Thomas Lloyd Esq; |
| Cardigan, | John Philips Esq; |
| Merioneth, | Ewan Wynn Esq; |
| Anglesey, | Francis Edwards Esq; |
| Mongomery, | Sir Udall Corbet Bar. |
| Denbigh, | Owen Wynn Esq; |
| Flint, | Roger Price Esq; |

Rome, Nov. 1. The Count of Lemercq, Ambassador from the Emperor to the Pope, is shortly expected from Vienna, and Count Martiniz, who resides here at present

lent with the same Character, is preparing for his Return home: But 'tis still doubted, whether he will be able to obtain an Audience of the Pope before he goes away, by reason of the Dissatisfaction the Pope seems still to have against him or his Proceedings here. The Cardinal de *Medici* has Resigned his Arch-Bishoprick of *Florence*, and intends to reside in this City. The Congregation of the Inquisition meet often to examine the Complaints which the Missionaries sent into *China* make against the *Jesuits*, Accusing them of permitting the *Profelytes* they make in those Parts to continue in several Parts of their former Id. Larrous Worship. The Difficulties between the Queen-Dowager of *Poland* and the Ambassadors residing here, concerning the manner of her Reception of them continuing, none of them has yet Visited her. The Cardinal *d'Arquien* intends in the Spring to return to *France*.

Venice, Nov. 6. The Senate have frequent Meetings to consider of the present Condition of their Forces, and to make several Regulations concerning them; The Duke of *Mantua* continues his Residence in this City. The Number of Strangers who pass through this Place coming from *Germany* and other Parts to be present at the Jubilee, is very great. Our last Letters from *Dalmatia* give an Account, that the Commissioners who are met in that Province to settle the Limits between the *Venetian* and *Turkish* Dominions, had proceeded in the Execution of their Commission from *Monte-Grosso*, to the Mouth of the River *Narenta*, near which Place bein the Territories of the Republick of *Ragusa*, and they would in few days remove to *Castel-Novo*, in order to settle the Limits on that side. Our last Advice from *Constantinople* give an Account, that the Grand Signior with his whole Court was returned thither from *Adrianople*; and that an Envoy from *Moscow* named *Emilius Igastowitz* was arrived there from *Asoch*, on board a Man of War of 36 Guns, which was looked upon by the *Turks* as a very extraordinary thing, and did very much surprise them. The Differences between the Emperor and the Grand Signior, concerning the Limits in *Croatia*, were by the Good Office of the *English* and *Dutch* Ambassadors at the Port, put in a fair way of Accommodation. Monsieur *Ferrioles* was arrived at *Constantinople* with the Character of Ambassador from the Most Christian King, and Monsieur *de Chateaufort*, his Predecessor, had left that Place on his return home. The Ambassador from this Republick was daily expected at *Constantinople*.

Berlin, Nov. 14. The Elector of *Brandenburgh* continues at *Potsdam*. The Commissioners his Electoral Highness sent some time ago to *Lenizen*, to adjust some Differences between him and the Duke of *Saxony* concerning the Limits of their respective Territories in those Parts, are returned thither, having entirely settled that Affair. Lieutenant General *Fleming* is arrived here from *Dresden*. We have Letters from *Moscow* of the 21st of *October* which say, the *Czar* continued at *Warwitz*, where several Ships are building, as likewise divers Gallies and other Vessels proper for the Navigating of great Rivers; That the *Czar* had ordered several Vessels to Sound the Straights of *Cassa* between the *Poltus-Masius* and the *Black-Sea*, and the same being found Navigable for great Ships, he had sent an Envoy by Sea to *Constantinople* in one of his new-built Men of War.

Hamburgh, Nov. 18. N.S. The Ministers from the Princes who employ their Mediation for adjusting the Affair of *Holstein*, have frequent Conferences together in this City; 'Tis said, the King of *Denmark* has declared, that he will hearken to no Proposals until the Forts lately built in *Holstein* be demolished, and the *Suedish* Forces be marched out of that Duchy; And that the Duke of *Holstein* on his side seems resolved to keep the said Forts in the Condition they are at present, but is willing to comply so far, as not to go on with the building of those that are not yet finished. In the mean time the *Danes* continue to draw their Forces together; The *Danish* Regiment of *Cuirassiers* arrived the 16th Instant from *Copenhagen* at *Flensburgh*, and the other Regiment are on their March to *Holstein*. 'Tis reported, that the Squadron of *Suedish* Men of War, which lately transported their Forces to *Pomerania* from *Carlskroona*, are returned to that Port, and laid up there.

Plymouth, Novemb. 14. Divers outward-bound Merchant Ships which came lately from the *Downes*, put in here yesterday, and will proceed on their respective Voyages with the first fair Wind.

Yarmouth, Nov. 15. Yesterday and this day? failed from hence, 5 Sail of Merchant Ships laden with Herringes, bound to the Straights.

Cowes, Nov. 15. The North Sound of London, Ralph Aith Master, put in here yesterday, being bound to *Guinea*; As did likewise the *Phoenix*, Ralph Robinson Master, the *Bristol*, Bel-ingham Wen Master, and the *Ann and Mary*, John Lagarell Commander, all three of London, and bound to *Virginia*.

Deal, Nov. 16. The Chamber Frigate, Capt. South, and the *Madagas*, Capt. Apreece Commanders, both bound to the East-

Indies, and the *Nightingale* Frigate, Capt. Laphorne, for *Gibraltar* came into the *Downes* yesterday. This day arrived here the *London Merchant*, commanded by Capt. Thomas, from *Spain* and *land*.

Kensington, Nov. 17. The King went this day to *Hampton-Court*, where His Majesty intends to continue a few days.

The Letters from *Holland* of Tuesday and Friday last are not yet come in.

The Commissioners for Victualing His Majesty's Navy being desirous to Contract for Butter and Saffolk Cheese for the Service of His Majesty's Navy for the Year 1700, beginning the First of January next. Do give Notice to all Persons that are willing to make a Contract for furnishing the same, That they intend to meet at the Victualling Office on Tower-Hill on Monday the 27th Instant between the Hours of 9 and 11, there to receive such Proposals as any Person shall make for the furnishing of Butter and Cheese for His Majesty's Service during the said Year, for which they are to be paid their Money at the Price that shall then be agreed for in course as other Payments are made, and the Contractor or Contractors are to warrant the same held good for 6 Months after delivery.

Advertisements.

✶ An Exposition of the Thirty nine Articles of the Church of England: By the Rt. Rev. Father in God, Gilbert Lord Bishop of Sarum. Folio.

✶ The late Lord Arch-Bishop Tillotson's remaining Discourses on the Attributes of God; viz. His Goodness, Mercy, Patience, Long-suffering, Power, Spirituality, Immensity, Eternity, Incomprehensibleness; and God the First Cause, &c. Last End: Being the 7th Volume published by Dr. R. Barker. Both Printed for R. Chiswell at the Rose and Crown in S. Pauls Church-yard.

✶ Mr. Croft's Collection of Pictures will be sold by Auction on Tuesday next, the 21st Instant, at the Golden Head in Newport-street; The Sale beginning exactly at 11 in the afternoon, and to continue daily till all are sold: Also a rare Collection of Drawings, Prints, and Figures.

✶ The Devout Communicant; Exemplified in his Behaviour before, at, and after the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper: Practically suited to all the Parts of that Solemn Ordinance. The 7th Edition corrected, and very much enlarged. Printed on extraordinary Paper, and a good Character, for W. Freeman at the Bible over-against the Middle-Temple Gate Fleet-street. Price 1s. 6d.

✶ Annual Cuts, aged about 17 years, in a dark Frize Coat, wearing his own Hair, of a middle Stature, roundish visage'd, and ruddy Complexion'd, absented the 13th Instant from his Master Mr. Chandler in the Old Jury, London. If he will return, he shall be kindly received by his said Master, otherwise: Or whoever gives notice of him to his Master aforesaid, shall have 5 l. Reward.

✶ THE Goods of Mr. Wm. Penrice, Woollen-Draper, late of Gracechurch-street, deceased, will be exposed to Sale on Thursday next the 23th Instant, at 2 afternoon, at the Marine Coffee-house in Birch-lane; And the Goods to be seen at the Outroper's Office on the Royal-Exchange, from Saturday till the time of Sale.

✶ There are Four Men apprehended at *Ripon* in Yorkshire dangerous Persons, and committed to the House of Correction there, viz. Thomas Gogen, born at *Corke* in Ireland, aged about 30, broad set, swarthy, with short dark Hair; John Dend, an Irish-man, by Trade a Blacksmith, aged about 20, fair Complexion'd, light Hair'd, and middle Statur'd; Wm. Osborn, born at *Bramgrave* in *Worcestershire*, sometime Inhabitant of *Lincoln*, aged about 35, a brown Complexion, Pockbroken, wears a brown Wig, and middle Statur'd; And Henry Rushworth of *Wentbridge* in *Yorkshire*, aged about 35, tall, a sanguine Complexion, wears a Wig, and is black Hair'd. Whoever has any thing to say against them, are desired to give Notice thereof with speed to the Mayor of *Ripon* aforesaid.

✶ On the 13th Instant, the Iron Warehouse of John Nicoll Esq. at *White-Friers Dock* was broke open, and from thence was taken above 30 Chimney-Backs of several Figures, viz. Large and small Fortunes, Lions, Junos, Venuses, and Hopes, and five Hearth-Plates, besides Bar-Iron, and other Cast Wares: The Goods are supposed to be laden on some Boat, and carried up the River. Forty Shillings Reward shall be given to the Discoverer of Thief or Goods, he giving notice thereof to John Nicoll Esq. aforesaid.

✶ Lost out of the *Sarazen-Head Inn* at *Uxbridge*, Middlesex, a Head cut on a Peeble by Simmons, set in Gold; a Lock set in Gold, with a Pidgeon and I. T. H. on it, one with a Crown, one with a Phoenix, one with Death's Head and A. P. and one with a Heart; a Cornelion Seal set in Gold; 2 Diamond Locks, one with 2 Angels and a Crown, and another with Death's Head; 10 pair of Sheets; 7 dozen of Diapers, and 1 dozen of Damask Napkins; 2 pair of Pillow-biers, 1 Damask Table-cloth, 2 Patchment Books of Accounts; 1 Silk Night-Gown, one side Black colour flower'd with White, and the other side Yellow flower'd with Red, and other Things. Whoever secures them, and gives notice to Mr. Thomas Tranter at the *White Swan* at *Holborn Bridge*, London, shall have 10 l. Reward, or proportionable to any part.