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Westminster, Dec. 17.

HER Majesty came this day to the House of Peers, attended with the usual Solemnity, and being seated on the Throne in Her Royal Robes, Sir David Mitchell, Gentleman Usher of the Black-Rod, was sent with a Message to the House of Commons, requiring their Attendance in the House of Peers, whither they came accordingly; and Her Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to *An Act for Granting an Aid to Her Majesty by a Land Tax, to be raised in the Year One thousand seven hundred and four.*

After which Her Majesty made the following most Gracious Speech to both Houses.

My Lords and Gentlemen,
I think it proper upon this Occasion to acquaint you, That I have had Unquestionable Informations of very Ill Practices and Designs carried on in Scotland, by Emissaries from France, which might have proved extremely Dangerous to the Peace of these Kingdoms, as you will see by the Particulars, which shall be laid before you as soon as the several Examinations relating to this Matter can be fully Perfected, and made Publick without Prejudice. In the mean time, I make no Doubt, but by this Seasonable Discovery, I shall be able to give such Directions for Our Security, as will Effectually prevent any ill Consequences from these Pernicious Designs.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I am very Sensible of your great Readiness and Affection for the Publick Service, by presenting Me so early in the Session with a considerable Part of your Supplies; I depend entirely upon your Continuing with the same Zeal to dispatch the Remainder of them, that so We may be prepared to give the speediest Assistance to Our Allies, and to defeat the Malicious Designs of Our Enemies; who cannot be more Industrious to Contrive the Ruine of this Kingdom, and of the Protestant Religion, than I shall always be Vigilant and Careful, both for their present Preservation, and for their future Security.

Geneva, November 25. N. S. The Marquis de Visconti, with the Detachment under his Command, consisting of about 800 Horse, and 400 Foot, has at length joined the Duke of Savoy's Forces, which he performed in the following manner; Finding that the French had secured all the Passes between *Ricco* (where our former Advices left him encamped) and the Frontiers of Savoy, he made a feint March towards the *Perin* sin, and being informed that the Enemy had thereupon drawn their Forces that way, in order to cut off his Retreat, and had left the Passes to Savoy unguarded, he immediately faced about, and taking his way by *Poltry*, *Arzana*, and *Abitole*, arrived in two days March in the Duke of Savoy's Territories, where he was joined by his Royal Highness's Troops under the Marquis de *Parilla*, to the great Mortification of the French, who were so secure that these German Forces could not escape out of their hands, that they had provided 4 Men of War from *Zoulan*, which arrived at *Porto Spezzie* the 19th Instant, on purpose to carry the Prisoners to France.

Copenhagen, Dec. 11. We had here on the 8th Instant at night a violent Storm of Wind and Rain from the South East, insomuch that several of our Men of War, which lie moored within a wet Dock, ran foul of one another, though without receiving any considerable Damage. They write from Bergen in Norway, That 3 Dutch homeward bound East-India Ships are lately arrived on that Coast, together with a West-India Ship belonging to the Merchants of this City.

Vizna, Dec. 12. On the 8th Instant we had a Report that the Rebels were advancing this way, which put the Inhabitants of our Sugar-Islands under such Consternation, that for two or three days they were removing themselves and their Effects within our Walls, for their better Security. The Rebels had

indeed passed the River *Wag* at *Zeret*, but have yet made no further Progress, being kept in awe by the Count de *Schlick*, who has posted himself at *Presbourg*, and has been joined there by the Forces under Colonel *Bermont*. On the 9th one of his Parties of 1200 Men met with 4000 Rebels not far from *Presbourg*; whom they attacked, notwithstanding the inequality of their numbers, killed 300 of them on the spot, took a great many Prisoners, and the rest were dispersed. Yesterday an Order was published here, enjoining all People to return quietly to their Houses, and to the Exercise of their several Trades and Professions. This Alarm, as groundless as it was, has however had this good effect, that most of the Nobility of *Austria*, with their Land Marshal Count *Traun*, are mounted on Horseback to assemble their Vassals on the Borders of *Moravia*, and Lines will be drawn and Guards placed along those Frontiers, to prevent the Rebels Incursions. Prince *Eugene* went hence this morning to *Presbourg*, to encourage the Inhabitants and Soldiers, and make the necessary Dispositions for suppressing this Rebellion. Some think he has Instructions to make Offers to the Rebels of a general Pardon, and Satisfaction upon several of their Grievances, provided they will abandon *Ragoritzky* and his Adherents. His Highness is not to stay there above 8 or 10 days; and it is said the Command of the Forces on that side will be given to General *Heister* and Lieutenant-General *Palfy*. The Count de *Frise*, in Consideration of the brave Defence he made in the Town of *Landau*, whereof he was Governor, is advanced to the Command of a Lieutenant-General of Foot.

Zurich, Dec. 15. The General Diet of the Cantons of *Switzerland* is assembled at *Baden*, and Monsieur *Mollared*, Envoy of the Duke of *Savoy*, had Audience of them yesterday. The Cantons of *Berne* and *Fribourg*, which border upon the Duchy of *Savoy*, did, before the Diet began, send a joint Deputation to the Marshal de *Tesse*, to desire him not to give any Disturbance in their Neighbourhood; and it is believed those Cantons, and that of *Zurich*, will interpose for a Neutrality for *Savoy*. There is at the Diet a Deputy from *Constance*, to desire also the Mediation of the Cantons, in order to obtain a Neutrality for the Towns on the Lake of *Constance*. Levies are making with very good Success in some of the Cantons for the Service of the Duke of *Savoy*. Letters from *Alsace* of the 11th Instant say, the French Forces are going into Winter Quarters; 9000 Foot and two Regiments of Horse are to remain in *Landau*, and the Garisons of *Fort Louis* and other Places on that side are also to be very numerous; 4 Regiments of Horse and 2 of Dragoons are to quarter in the *Upper Alsace*. The two Regiments last mentioned make together but 4000 Men, the rest having been killed in the late Action near *Spire*; They are to quarter at *Hungningen*, to be recruited there, and the French King has promised a Pardon to any Deserter that shall come and lift himself in either of them. The Marshal de *Tallard* is to remain this Winter at *Strasbourg*. The Allies have posted a good number of Troops at *Daxland*, and other Places along the *Rhine*, to hinder the Enemy from passing over that River.

Nancy, Dec. 16. Our Advices from *Paris* are of the 12th Instant, and give an Account, That they had a terrible Storm on the 8th, which had done great Damage in that City and the neighbouring County; but they had not yet received an Account of what Loss they may have sustained at Sea. The Count de *Toulouse* was returned to the French Court from *Toulon*, as were also the Marshals de *Villars* and *Tallard* from *Germany*.

Lille, Dec. 17. We have an Account from *Axtwerp*, That the late Storm has done a great deal of Mischief to that Town, having damaged many of their Churches, Houses and other Buildings, ruined their Bridges of Boats on the *Scheld*, and driven ashore about 30 Vessels belonging to that Place, which have been staved to pieces. The Loss sustained by the Inhabitants of *Ghent*, *Louvain*, *Brussels*, and the other Towns of the Spanish Netherlands, amounts to many Millions of Florins; and the Damage which the Wind has done to those who live in the open Country is proportionably greater.

Hague, Dec. 25. N. S. The Damage sustained in the late Storm by the ships in the *Macle*, which are designed for *Portugal*, is wholly repaired, and they are ready to put to Sea as soon as the Wind will permit; whereof Sir *George Rooke* has given notice to the King of *Spain*, who has ordered every thing to be in a readiness for his going on board. We have yet no Account of Admiral *Callenberg's* Squadron. The Rus-

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Man of War, which ran aground near Helvoet-Sluis, will be set afloat again to-morrow. A small Vessel, which had on board the Prince of Hesse Darmstadt's Epupaige, being driven from the English Coast in the Storm, was cast away on the Coast of Friesland, and most of his Servants, with part of the Ship's Crew, are drowned. A Dutch outward bound East-India Ship was also left near the Coast. There being Advice, that some French Forces were in motion towards Namur, Orders have been given to all the Officers in Town, whose Regiments are quartered near the Maese, to repair thither immediately. Mr. Hill, Her Majesty of Great Britain's Envoy Extraordinary to the Duke of Savoy, left Frankfurt the 19th Instant, in order to continue his Journey to Turin. The Count de Maffroy, Envoy from that Duke to Her Majesty, and the Marquis del Borgo, his Royal Highness's Envoy to the Stat General, arrived here from Turin the 20th Instant. Letters from Danzick say, the King of Sweden was entrud into Elbing with a Body of Forces, at the Desire of the Magistrates of that Town. By those which came in yesterday from Germany we have Advice, that the Town of Augsburg surrendered to the Elector of Bavaria the 14th, and the Garrison is conducted to Nördlingen. The Town of Guelder is surrendered to the King of Prussia, and the French and Spanish Forces which were in Garrison there marched out of the Place the 18th.

Falmouth, Dec. 13. The *Samuel and Elizabeth* of this Place, Philip Maroway Master, arrived here yesterday from Faro, being bound to Hambourg. The *Anna Katherin*, a Privateer of England, came in here the same day, and brought with him as Prize the *Juffroy*, *Jezous* of Copenhagen, homeward bound with Wine and Brandy from Nantz. There are now in sight above 100 Sail of Ships, with some Men of War, which are supposed to be homeward bound *Lisbon* and *St. Hubert* Fleets.

Plymouth, Dec. 14. A considerable Fleet is now off this Harbour, which is supposed to be the homeward bound Merchant Ships from *Liabon*, under the Convoy of Sir *Andrew Lake*.

Portsmouth, Dec. 16. The *Litchfield* Prize, which was forced ashore near this Place in the late Storm, was brought into our Harbour the 14th Instant; and it is hoped the *Pejusvius* Frigate, which was stranded at the same time, will also be got off again.

Portsmouth, Dec. 17. Her Majesty's Ship the *Worcester* passed through our Roads the 15th Instant with the rest of the homeward bound *Ruffia* Fleet, being about 40 Sail, and several laden Colliers from *Newcastle*, for the River. Yesterday came into our Roads the *Portsmouth* Frigate, *John Tibbington* Master, from *Archangel*, bound for *Louzon*, who failed again this day, under Convoy of Her Majesty's Ship the *Winchester*.

Deal, Dec. 18. The *Friends* Frigate, bound to *Plymouth*, with the *Two Brothers*, and the *Friend's Adventure*, both for *Portsmouth*, came into the *Dorset* this morning from *Archangel*.

Sheriffs appointed for
Southampton, Sir *John St. Barb* Bar.
Cambridge, Francis *Tyson*, of *Auferd*, Esq;
Huntingdon, Thomas *Okeover* Esq;
Stafford, Thomas *Skinner* Esq;
Dorset, Sir *Thomas Webster* Bar.
Essex, Griffith *Winn* Esq;
Carnarvan, Rowland *Barlow* Esq;
Pembroke, Robert *Jones* Esq;
Glamorgan, Peter *Saunders* Esq;
Brecon, George *Birch* Esq;
Lancaster,

HIS Royal Highness, Lord High Admiral of England and Ireland, &c. having given Orders to the Principal Officers and Commissioners of Her Majesty's Navy, to pay the Powers, as Admiralty, of such Seamen as were shipwrecked in the late Storm; Notice is hereby given, that the said Payments will be made at the times expressed against the Names of the Ships hereafter mentioned, that so all Persons concerned may make their Application accordingly.

Rate.	Monday & Tuesday	th.	th.
1. Northumberland, on Reiteration,	Monday & Tuesday	10	11 Jan.
2. Mary,	Wednesday & Thursday	12	13 Ditto.
3. Sterling-Castle,	Friday & Saturday	14	15 Ditto.
4. Newcastle,	Monday & Tuesday	17	18 Ditto.
5. Reserves,	Wednesday & Friday	20	21 Ditto.
6. York,	Saturday & Monday	22	24 Ditto.
7. Resolution,	Tuesday & Wednesday	25	26 Ditto.
8. Mortar Bomb,	Thursday & Friday	27	28 Ditto.
9. Vigo,	Saturday	29	Ditto.
10. Eagle Advice Boat,	Tuesday	1	Feb.
	Wednesday	2	Ditto.

A Letter dated the 2d of November last, Signed S. G. and Directed to the Rt. Hon. Mr. Secretary Hedges; as also one of the 14th Instant, Signed and Directed as before, are come to his Hands; and what is desired in them are comply'd with.

By the Receiver-General for Rizes.
HIS Majesty, having been Graciously pleas'd, by Order in Council, (dated the 20th day of November ultimo) to direct, that the sum of Sixty Thousand Pounds Sterling (being part of an as-

will be payable to the Captains for their Mates of the Boat taken at Vigo) be immediately assigned to the said Captains, pursuant to Her Majesty's most Gracious Declaration of the 1st of June, 1702, in the said Order in Council.
 The Receiver-General is hereby give Notice, That on Monday the 27th day of December Instant, at the Office for Payment of Captains, in the Little Piazza's, Covent-Garden, he will then pay, or cause Payment to be made, to the Officers and Company of Her Majesty's Ship the *Barbure*; And on Thursday the 30th day of December Instant, the Officers and Company of Her Majesty's Ship the *Torbay* will also be paid their respective Shares of the said sixty Thousand Pounds, pursuant to Her Majesty's most Gracious Declaration, and Order in Council.

Whereas the Original Will of Sir *William Willoughby*, of *Selston* in the County of *Nottingham*, Bar. deceased, dated the 1st of February, 1620, which was exhibited in the Prerogative Court of *Tork*, and afterwards in the Court of Delegates in *London*, and was thence delivered (as is alleged) to *Richard Slater*, of *Nottingham* in the said County of *Nottingham*, Esq; deceased, is missing, or concealed; so as the same, upon the most diligent Search and Enquiry, cannot be found. If therefore any Person shall discover to Sir *Thomas Willoughby* Bar. at his House at *Woburn*, in the said County of *Nottingham*, or to Sir *Richard Heard*, at the Golden-Bottle over-against *St. Dunstan's Church* in *Fleet Street*, or to Mr. *Emanuel Whitehead*, in *Warwick-Court* near *Gray's-Inn*, in *London*, where the said Original Will is, so as the same may be found, and delivered to the said Sir *Thomas Willoughby*, he shall receive 100*l.* Reward from the said Sir *Thomas Willoughby*.

At the Black-a-moor's-Head in Shandois-street, Covent-Garden, London, is to be advised withal, from 8 in the Morning till Two in the Afternoon, Mr. *WILLIAM READ*, the most Approved Calligrapher, after 30 years Practice and Experience, both at home and abroad, as is manifest by his daily Performances on Persons of Quality and others, in the difficultest Distempers relating to the Opticks, after tampered with by Women, and such like Pretenders to that curious Art. He does not think fit to give any other Recommendations in this Advertisement, but what evidently appears by his great Success, not only by Cureing of Cataracts, but for Clouds, Specks, Ungula's, Albugo's, D. Fluxibus of Humors, or Fistula Lacrimalis: Of which he cures the Poor gratis.

Proposals for Subscription to a Book in the Press; Equituleu, A Treatise of Fluxions, or, An Introduction to Mathematical Philosophy. Containing a full Explication of that Method, by which the most Celebrated Geometers of the present Age have made such vast Advances in Mechanical Philosophy. A Work very useful for those that would know how to apply Mathematicks to Nature: By *Charles Hayes*, Gent. The Price to Subscribers is Twenty Shillings per Book in Quires, a Seventh part. Proposals, with a Table of the Contents, are to be had of the Undertakers, D. *Midwinter* and *T. Leigh*, Booksellers, at the *Rose and Crown* in *St. Paul's Church-yard*, and most Book-sellers.

To-morrow Morning will be published, Poetical Miscellanies: The Fifth Part. Containing a Collection of Original Poems, with several new Translations, by the most Eminent Hands. Printed for *Jacob Tonson*, within *Gray's-Inn-Gate*, next *Gray's-Inn-Lane*; where you may have the Four former Parts, published by *Mr. Dryden*.

Sermons upon several Occasions. By the late *Rev. John Scow*, D. D. All published singly by himself, and never before collected into a Volume. 8*o.* Printed for *W. Kettilby* at the *Bishop's-Head*, and *Richard Wilkin* at the *King's-Head*, in *St. Paul's Church-yard*.

ANY Person that desires to have the Frets of a Viol set out in perfect Proportions, may send it to the House of Mr. *Friderick Steink*, at the lower end of *Bathinghall-street*, where the Finger-board will be marked by Mr. *Ralph Snow*, Teacher of the *Mathematicks*. And Directions will be given for the use of it, so as to play the Notes perfectly, or else to find out the best Bearings in every Key, and Tuning. Price 10*s.*

ALL Persons that have any Hat, Jewels, Rings, or any other Goods, in the hands of *Thomas Parnell*, next Door to the *Naked Boy* in *Grubstreet*, are desired to fetch them away by the 25th of January next, or they'll be disposed of.

A Commission of Bankrupt being awarded against *Joseph Percin*, a Jew, of *London*, Merchant, All Persons that owe him any Money, or that have any Goods or other Effects of his in their hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person, but such only as the Commissioners shall appoint: And they are desired forthwith to give notice thereof to Mr. *John Cole*, of *Winchester-street*, one of the Commissioners.

A Commission of Bankrupt being awarded against *John Prevost*, of *London*, Merchant, All Persons that owe him any Money, or that have any Goods or other Effects of his in their hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person, but such only as the Commissioners shall appoint: But they are desired forthwith to give notice thereof to Mr. *Edward Clive*, one of the Commissioners, in *Ironmonger-Lane*, *London*, Attorney at Law.

THE Creditors of *John Hall*, late of *Size-Lane*, *London*, Warehouse-keeper, are desired forthwith to come to Mr. *John Cole*, Attorney, in *Winchester-street*, near *Broad-street*, *London*, to execute a Deed, in order to a speedy Satisfaction of their respective Debts. Tolen or stayed the 5th Instant, out of the Grounds of Mr. *John Perryman*, of *Bray Parish* near *Windfor*, a black Gelding; with a Star in his Forehead, his right Jaw bigger than the other, about 4 hands high, coming 7 years old, and a whisk Tail. Whoever finds him, and gives notice to *John Style*, Baker, in *Stanhope-street* near *Clare-market*, or to *John Perryman* aforesaid, shall have a Guinea Reward, and reasonable Charges.