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An Act for Preserving the Privileges of Ambassadors, and other Publick Ministers of Foreign Princes and States.

Whereas several turbulent and disorderly Persons having in a most outrageous manner insulted the Person of his Excellency *Andrew Artemonowitz Matueof*, Ambassador Extraordinary of his Czarrish Majesty, Emperor of Great Russia, Her Majesty's good Friend and Ally, by Arresting him, and taking him by Violence out of his Coach in the publick Street, and detaining him in Custody for several Hours, in Contempt of the Protection granted by Her Majesty, contrary to the Law of Nations, and in prejudice of the Rights and Privileges which Ambassadors and other publick Ministers, authorized and received as such, have at all times been thereby possessed of, and ought to be kept sacred and inviolable; Be it therefore declared by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all Actions and Suits, Writs and Processes commenced, sued or prosecuted against the said Ambassador by any Person or Persons whatsoever, and all Bail Bonds given by the said Ambassador, or any other Person or Persons on his behalf, and all Recognizances of Bail given or acknowledged in any such Action or Suit, and all Proceedings upon, or by pretext or colour of any such Action or Suit, Writ or Process, and all Judgments had thereupon, are utterly Null and Void, and shall be deemed and adjudged to be utterly Null and Void, to all Intents, Constructions and Purposes whatsoever.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Entries, Proceedings and Records against the said Ambassador, or his Bail, shall be vacated and cancelled.

And to prevent the like Insolencies for the future, Be it further Declared by the Authority aforesaid, That all Writs and Processes that shall at any time hereafter be Sued forth or Prosecuted, whereby the Person of any Ambassador, or other Publick Minister of any Foreign Prince or State, authorized and received as such by Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, or the Domestick, or Domestick Servant of any such Ambassador, or other Publick Minister, may be arrested or imprisoned, or his or their Goods or Chattels may be distrained, seized or attached, shall be deemed and adjudged to be utterly null and void to all Intents, Constructions and Purposes whatsoever.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any Person or Persons shall presume to Sue forth or Prosecute any such Writ or Process, such Person and Persons, and all Attorneys and Solicitors prosecuting and soliciting in such case, and all Officers executing any such Writ or Process, being thereof convicted, by the Confession of the Party, or by the Oath of one or more credible Witnesses or Witnesses, before the Lord Chancellor, or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Great Britain, the Chief Justice of the Court of Queens-Bench, the Chief Justice of the Court of Common-Pleas for the time being, or any two of them, shall be deemed Violators of the Laws of Nations, and Disturbers of the Publick Repose, and shall suffer such Pains, Penalties and Corporal Punishment, as the said Lord Chancellor, Lord Keeper, and the said Chief Justices, or any two of them shall judge fit to be imposed and inflicted.

Provided, and be it Declared, That no Merchant or other Trader whatsoever, within the Description of any

of the Statutes against Bankrupts, who hath or shall put himself into the Service of any such Ambassador or Publick Minister, shall have or take any manner of Benefit by this Act, and that no Person shall be proceeded against as having arrested the Servant of an Ambassador or Publick Minister, by virtue of this Act, unless the Name of such Servant be first Registered in the Office of one of the Principal Secretaries of State, and by such Secretary transmitted to the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex for the time being, or their Under-Sheriffs or Deputies, who shall, upon the Receipt thereof, hang up the same in some Publick Place in their Offices, whereto all Persons may resort, and take Copies thereof without Fee or Reward.

And be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act shall be taken and allowed in all Courts within this Kingdom as a publick Act; And that all Judges and Justices shall take notice of it without special Pleading; And all Sheriffs, Bailiffs and other Officers and Ministers of Justice concerned in the Execution of Processes, are hereby required to have regard to this Act, as they will answer the contrary at their Peril.

Lisbon, May 4. N. S. Letters from the Camp on the Caya, of the 26th of April last, tell us, that the Army under the Command of the Earl of Galway marched on the 23d, and encamp'd at Cancan, about a League from Elvas. The 26th the Army moved again, and encamped on the Caya, about 3 Leagues from Elvas, and two from the Enemy, who lay on the Left of Badajos. Our Army consists of about 17000 Foot, and 5000 Horse, and appears in very good Order. According to the Accounts we have receiv'd from Deserters we are in number much superior to the Enemy.

Berne, May 4. N. S. The Letters from Milan of the 27th past say, his Royal Highness the Duke of Savoy being resolv'd to begin the Campaign betimes, had given Orders for the speedy Preparation of every thing that was necessary, and that the Troops would soon march to the general Rendezvous; that those who had been detached for Barcelona were still at Final, their departure from thence being uncertain, by reason that Admiral Byng, who was to have taken them under his Convoy, was gone with his Squadron to the Relief of the Castle of Alicant. A general Dyet of the Thirteen Cantons is summon'd to meet at Baden for the 15th Instant, upon the occasion of the Affair of Tockembourg, which seems to grow every day more perplexed.

Brussels, May 13. N. S. Prince Eugene went from hence on the 11th for the Hague, in order to meet his Grace the Duke of Marlborough at that Place. On the 8th another great Convoy, consisting of 100 Vessels laden with all sorts of Provision and Forage, set forward from Ghent towards Courtray, Menin and Lisse. Letters from Paris of the 10th say, the Duke of Neailles was gone for Roussillon, to take upon him the Command of the Troops in that Country. The Duke of Orleans has deferred setting out for Spain; and some Advices say, he returns no more into that Kingdom. The first Battalion of the French and Swiss Guards began their March on the 9th towards the Frontiers. The want of Corn is so great throughout the Kingdom of France, that frequent Tumults happen in all the great Towns, notwithstanding the Care of the Magistracy to prevent such Disorders. The Troops of the Allies are marching from all Quarters, in order to the assembling the Army, and taking the Field with all expedition. Letters from Madrid dated April the 23d say, that on the 20th Instant the Duke and Dutchess of Anjou, and the Prince of Asturias, returned from Buen-Retiro, and made their Publick Entry into that City with great Pomp and Magnificence. The Chevalier d'Albani hath had divers Conferences since his arrival with the

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Duke of Anjou, and Monsieur Amelot the French Ambassador, concerning the Operations of the next Campaign. They heard from Estramadura, that six Battalions of Spanish and Walloon Guards had joined the Army at Seville, where the Marquis de Bay had assembled his Troops, and design'd to advance towards the Frontiers of Portugal.

Hague, May 14. N. S. On the 12th Instant Prince Eugene arrived here from Brussels. The Prince of Nassau having notified to the States his Marriage with a Princess of Hesse-Cassel, their High Mightinesses have writ him a Letter of Congratulation in the most obliging Terms. New Ministers daily arrive here from Foreign Princes. His Grace the Duke of Marlborough is expected with great impatience. Yesterday the Ambassador from his Czarish Majesty received an Account of two Engagements between the Swedes and Muscovites, one on the 10th, the other on the 14th of February, in both which his Master had the Advantage. The same Day his Excellency communicated this Advice to the States, and all the Foreign Ministers residing here. Two Battalions of the Blue Guards, which were Quarter'd in this Place, are marched towards Flanders; and they write from Lille, that the remainder of the great Convoy of Provisions and Ammunition was arrived there, without any Opposition from the Enemy; and another was suddenly expected. Letters from Italy say, that the King of Denmark left Florence on the 23d of the last Month, in order to return to his own Dominions by the way of Parma, Modena, Venice and Tirol. They add, that Advices from Barcelona informed them, that two British Men of War and ten Transports were arrived there with 600 Horses on Board, which were part of the 1400 expected from Sardinia. There came in at the same time five other Vessels laden with Corn. We hear the Prince Royal of Prussia is arrived at Mastricht, and that the Prince of Woltembutel was come to Amsterdam, in his way to Aix la-Chapelle.

Deale, May 7. Yesterday sailed Her Majesty's Ships the Rochester, Deptford, Queenborough, Medway's Prize and Postilion, with about 40 Vessels, most of which are laden with Corn, for Ostend.

Whereas her Majesty hath been pleased by Her Order in Council, dated the Twenty eighth of April last, to direct, That the Captains of her Ships and Vessels of War and Privateers, shall be forthwith ordered to stop all Neutral Ships and Vessels whatsoever, that shall be laden with Corn, and be bound to France, or the Enemies Country, and to bring them into some of her Majesty's Ports, until her Majesty's Pleasure be further known therein; the Rt. Hon. Thomas Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, &c. Lord High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland, &c. does hereby direct and require all Captains and Commanders of her Majesty's Ships and Vessels of War, and all Captains of Ships having Letters of Marque, or Commissions for private Men of War, strictly to observe her Majesty's said Order in Council, and to conform themselves thereunto accordingly; and that upon their bringing in any such Vessels with Corn, they do deliver them to the Officer of her Majesty's Customs at the Port to which they shall bring them.

The Rt. Hon. Thomas Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, Lord High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland &c. is pleased to direct, That the Men belonging to the Warwick do forthwith repair on Board her Majesty's Ship the Blenheim at Woolwich, to assist in the carrying her from thence to Chatham, and then they will be paid their Wages due in the said Ship Warwick.

Thomas Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery, &c. Lord High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland, &c. is pleased to direct, That all the Men which are in and about London, belonging to Her Majesty's Ship the Nonsuch, do forthwith repair to their Duty on Board the said Ship at Deptford, otherwise they will be taken up and prosecuted as Deserters.

Notice is hereby given by the Paymaster of the Malt-Lottery Tickets, that Money was reserved in the Receipts of Her Majesty's Exchequer, on the 6th of this Instant May, 1709, to satisfy the 100th Payment of the said Tickets: which are numbered from 79000 to 80000 inclusive; and all Interest due on such of the said Tickets as bear Interest to the 6th of May as aforesaid, which Money will be paid at the Malt Lottery Office, at the Exchequer, on demand.

By Order of the High Court of Admiralty. This is to give Notice, That the Ship Rolland of Antigue (now of Francis Boullay was late Master) burthen about 47 Tuns, Plantation built, with her Apparel, Furniture and

Lading, consisting of 60 Cases of White Normanly Window-Glass, now lying at Cowes in the Isle of Wight, and demanded as Perquisite of Admiralty, which was intended to have been expos'd to Sale the 2d Instant, at Lloyd's Coffee-house in Lombard-street, London, will be expos'd to Sale on Tuesday the 17th Instant, at 3 in the Afternoon precisely, at the same Place. Inventories will be ready to be deliver'd out on Tuesday next at the Place of Sale.

The Royal African Company do hereby give Notice, that there will be a General Meeting of all the Creditors of the said Company, at their House in Leaden-hall-street, on Tuesday the 10th of this Instant May at three of the Clock in the Afternoon. And that the last General Court of all their Adventurers was adjourn'd till Wednesday the 11th of this Instant May, at 9 in the Forenoon, of which all Persons concerned are desired to take Notice.

The Trustees appointed by the late Government and Company of Merchants of London, trading into the East-Indies, commonly call'd the Old East-India Company, do hereby give Notice, That all the Creditors of the said Company, whose Debts are secured by Bond, or otherwise adjusted, who are to be paid in England in pursuance of the Most Honourable the Lord Treasurer's Award, do forthwith leave their Demands, or some Note or Memorial thereof, with Mr. Samuel Waters and Mr. Thomas Grainger, or one of them, at the East-India House in Leaden-hall-street.

Notice is hereby given by the Directors of the Amicable Contribution-ship for Insuring Houses against Loss by Fire, that a General Meeting will be held at their Office at Tom's Coffee-house in St. Martin's-lane near Charing Cross, on Thursday the 19th Instant, at two in the Afternoon, pursuant to the Deed of Settlement, when and where all Persons concern'd are desired to be present.

Advertisements.

W Hereas Samuel Pacey, Esq; late Receiver-General for the County of Suffolk, dyed suddenly at Epsom about June last, without any of his Relations near him: And whereas his Books and Accounts cannot be found, whereby 'tis supposed several Sums of Money, due to the said Pacey, are not yet discover'd; if any Person will discover to Mr. William Wriglesworth, Attorney, in Abchurch-lane, London, any Sums of Money belonging to the deceased, not yet come to the Knowledge of the Administrator, shall receive 10 l. per Cent. of what shall be recover'd upon such Discovery, to be paid them by the said Mr. William Wriglesworth.

W Hereas on the 30th of April last, Joseph Wheeler, Brush-maker by Trade, took away from Daniel Quare, Watch-maker in Exchange-Ally, London, Money: A Bills of value. If any Person secures him, so as he may be brought to the said D. Quare, he shall have 10 l. reward; but if the said Joseph Wheeler surrenders himself with the said Money and Bills before the 16th Instant, he shall be allowed 40 l. to make good any Deficiencies thereof, the said 10 l. to be paid, and 40 l. allowed by the said D. Quare. Note, This is the last offer that the said J. Wheeler shall have. He is a square well-sett Man, about 5 Foot 5 Inches high, goes with his Toes outward, inclined to a sandy Complexion, with a dark grey Eye, pretty full Face, and a dimple in his Chin, with artificial blue Spot or Spots upon his right Hand, about 34 or 35 Years of Age. Went away in a short brown Wig, light Druggert Coat and dark Druggert Waistcoat.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Joseph Green of London, Vintner, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is hereby required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 12th and 19th Instant, and on the 8th of June next, at 3 in the Afternoon, at the Irish-chamber in Guildhall, London; at the first of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuse Assignees.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Aylmer Blechenien of Deal, in the County of Kent, Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt, is required to surrender himself to the Commissioners on the 12th and 19th Instant, and the 8th of June next, at the Irish-chamber in Guildhall, London, at 3 in the Afternoon; at the first of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay their Contribution-mony, and chuse Assignees.

W Hereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Henry May and Jacob May of Spittlefields in the County of Middlesex, Dyers and Paste-ers, and they being declared Bankrupts, are hereby required to surrender themselves to the Commissioners, on the 12th and 18th Instant, and the 8th of June next, at 3 in the Afternoon, at the Irish-chamber in Guildhall, London; at the first of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-mony, and chuse Assignees.

T HE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Thomas Shell of London, Silktrower, intend to meet on the 24th Instant, at 4 in the Afternoon, at the Irish-chamber in Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate: when and where all Persons concerned are to come prepared to pay their Contribution-mony, and prove their Debts, or they will be excluded; and at which time the said Shell intends to finish his Examination, and where his Creditors may attend to assent, or dissent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

W Hereas the acting Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against William Curtis of Eury St. Edmunds, in the County of Suffolk, Mercer, have certify'd to the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the said William Curtis hath in all things conform'd himself according to the Directions of the late Acts of Parliament made against Bankrupts: these are to give Notice, That his Certificate will be confirm'd as the said Acts direct, unless Cause be shewn to the contrary on or before the 30th of May Instant.

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