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Westminster, November 27.

THE Parliament met last Saturday, and Her Majesty being come to the House of Peers, and seated on the Throne in Her Royal Robes with the usual Solemnity, a Message was sent to the Commons by Sir William Oldes, Kt. Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, requiring their Attendance in the House of Peers, whither they came accordingly. The Lord Keeper then by Her Majesty's Command signified to them Her Royal Pleasure, that they should forthwith proceed to the Choice of a fit Person to be their Speaker, and present him to Her Majesty this Day. The Commons being returned to their own House, made Choice of William Bromley, Esq; to be their Speaker; who being this Day presented to Her Majesty seated on Her Throne in the House of Peers, Her Majesty was graciously pleased to approve the Choice of a Person so well Qualified for that high Employment, and then made the following most gracious Speech to both Houses.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Have, by Calling this Parliament, made appear the Confidence I place in the Duty and Affection of my Subjects; and I meet you here with the greatest Satisfaction, having no Reason to doubt, but that I shall find such Returns as will add new Life to our friends, and entirely disappoint the Hopes of our Enemies.

To this End I shall recommend to you what is absolutely Necessary for our common Safety.

The carrying on the War in all its Parts, but particularly in Spain, with the utmost Vigour, is the likeliest Means, with God's Blessing, to procure a Safe and Honourable Peace for us, and all our Allies, whose Support and Interest I have truly at Heart.

For this Purpose, I must ask from you, Gentlemen of the House of Commons, the necessary Supplies for the next Year's Service: And let me put you in mind, that nothing will add so much to their Efficacy, as Unanimity and Dispatch.

I cannot, without great Concern, mention to you, that the Navy and other Offices are burthened with heavy Debts, which so far affect the Publick Service, that I most earnestly desire you to find some Way to Answer those Demands, and to prevent the like for the time to come. The Justice of Parliament, in Satisfying former Engagements, being the certain Way for Preserving and Establishing National Credit.

I am sensibly touched with what my People suffer by this long and expensive War, to which when it shall please God to put an end, the flourishing Condition of my Subjects shall be as much my Care, as their Safety is at present.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The Eyes both of Friends and Enemies are upon you: The way to give Spirit to the one, and to defeat the restless Malice of the other, is to proceed in such manner as becomes a British Parliament.

I shall in the plainest Words tell you my Intentions; and I do this with the greater Satisfaction, because I depend upon their being agreeable to you.

I am resolved to Support and Encourage the Church of England as by Law Established:

To preserve the British Constitution, according to the Union:

And to maintain the Indulgence by Law allowed to Scrupulous Consciences.

And that all these may be Transmitted to Posterity, I shall Employ none but such as are heartily for the Protestant Succession in the House of Hanover; the Interest of which Family no Person can be more truly concerned for than my self.

These are my Resolutions; and your Concurrence with me in a steady Pursuit of them, will best manifest your Zeal for our Religion, for the Interest of our Country, for your own Safety, and for my Honour.

St. James's, November 26. This Day the following Address was presented to Her Majesty by George Granville and John Trevanion, Esqs; Knights of the Shire for the County of Cornwall, attended by a great Number of the principal Gentlemen of that County:

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Cornwall, at Lestwithiell, the second Day of November, 1710.

May it please your Majesty,

WE the High Sheriff, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of your Loyal County of Cornwall, being Assembled together with Hearts entirely United for the Support of your Majesty's Government, humbly beg Leave to Assure your Majesty that we have endeavoured with the utmost Zeal to Answer your gracious Intentions in Dissolving your last Parliament, by chusing such Representatives as we are well assured will earnestly Contend, with the rest of your Dutiful Subjects, in the Defence of the Monarchy, the Church of England, and the Protestant Succession as by Law Established.

We farther Assure your Majesty, that we will have the greatest Regard to the Honour and Welfare of the Nation, by Contributing with all Cheerfulness to the Prosecution of the War, and to the Maintenance of the Publick Credit.

We likewise presume upon this Occasion to express our great Satisfaction in being under the immediate Care and Protection of the Earl of Rochester, during the Minority of the Earl of Bath, whose Name and Family must be always Dear to this your ever Loyal County.

May your Majesty long live to be the Support and Ornament of that Church which is the Beauty and Strength of the Reformation, as well as the Envy of its Adversaries: May your Majesty's Arms be more and more Victorious; and may the Prudent Counsels of your Ministers be ever as Successful as your Choice of them has been pleasing to all your faithful Subjects.

Venice, November 14. N. S. On the 9th Instant the Pope's Nuncio, Signior Mathei, arrived here with a numerous Retinue, and was lodged in the Palace of the Nunciature. He was met on the Road.