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Westminster, August 5.

**T**HIS Day the Lords Justices, appointed to Administer the Government till the arrival of his Majesty, came to the House of Peers, and sent a Message to the Commons by Sir William Oldes, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, requiring their Attendance. The Commons went up accordingly, and the Lord Chancellor, being One of the Lords Justices, in their Name, made the following Speech to both Houses of Parliament.

*My Lords and Gentlemen,*

**H**aving pleased Almighty God, to take to himself our late most Gracious Queen, of Blessed Memory: We hope that nothing has been omitted which might contribute to the Safety of these Realms, and the Preservation of our Religion, Laws, and Liberties, in this great Conjunction. As these Invaluable Blessings have been Secured to Us by those Acts of Parliament which have Settled the Succession to these Kingdoms in the most Illustrious House of *Hanover*, We have Regulated our Proceedings by those Rules which are therein prescribed.

The Privy Council, soon after the Demise of the late Queen, Assembled at *St. James's*; where, according to the said Acts of Parliament, the Three Instruments were produced and opened, which had been deposited in the Hands of the Archbishop of *Canterbury*, the Lord Chancellor, and the Resident of *Brunswick*: Those who either by their Offices, or by Virtue of these Instruments, had the Honour of being appointed Lords Justices, did, in Conjunction with the Council, immediately proceed to the Proclaiming of Our Lawful and Rightful Sovereign King *George*, taking, at the same time, the necessary Care to maintain the Publick Peace.

In pursuance of the Acts before mentioned, this Parliament is now Assembled, and We are persuaded, you all bring with you so hearty a Disposition for His Majesty's Service, and the Publick Good, that We cannot Doubt of your Assistance in every thing, which may promote those great Ends.

*Gentlemen of the House of Commons,*

We find it Necessary to put you in mind, That several Branches of the Publick Revenue are Expired by the Demise of Her late Majesty, and to Recommend to you the making such Provisions in that respect, as may be requisite to Support the Honour and Dignity of the Crown; And We assure Our Selves you will not be wanting in any thing that may conduce to the Establishing and Advancing of the Publick Credit.

*My Lords and Gentlemen,*

We forbear saying before you any thing, that does not require you immediate Consideration, not having received His Majesty's Pleasure; We shall only Exhort you, with the greatest Earnestness to a perfect Unanimity, and a firm Adherence to Our Sovereign's Interest, as being the only Means to continue among Us Our present happy Tranquillity.

*By the Lords Justices*

## A PROCLAMATION,

Requiring all Persons, being in Office of Authority of Government at the Decease of the late Queen, to proceed in the Execution of their respective Offices.

*Harcourt C. Sir Ambury, Dartmouth C. P. S. Somerset, Bolton, Devonshire, Argyll, Roxburgh, Kent, Nottingham, Abingdon, Scarborough, Oxford, Townshend, Halifax, Cowper, T. Parker.*

**W**HEREAS by an Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, Intituled, *An Act for the Security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the Succession to the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant Line*, it was Enacted, That no Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within the Kingdoms of *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, Dominion of *Wales*, Town of *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, Isles of *Ferrey*, *Guernsey*, *Alderney*, and *Sark*, or any of Her Majesty's Plantations, should become void by reason of the Demise of Her said late Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, Kings or Queens of this Realm; but that every Person and Persons in any of the Offices, Places, and Employments aforesaid, should Continue in their respective Offices, Places, and Employments for the space of Six Months

next after such Death or Demise, unless sooner Removed and Discharged by the next Successor, to whom the Imperial Crown of this Realm was Limited and Appointed to Go, Remain, and Descend; And that all Officers in any Offices, Places, or Employments, who should be by that Act continued, should take the Oaths therein mention'd, and do all other Acts require by the Laws and Statutes of this Realm, to Qualifie themselves to Be and Continue in such their respective Places, Offices and Employments, within such time, and in such manner, and under such Pains, Penalties, and Disabilities, as they should or ought to do, had they been newly Elected, Appointed, Constituted, and Put into such Offices, Places, or Employments, in the usual and ordinary way: We therefore, with the Advice of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy-Council, do hereby Direct and Command, That all Persons, who, at the time of the Decease of the said late Queen, were duly and lawfully Possessed of, or Invested in any Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within the Kingdoms of *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, Dominion of *Wales*, Town of *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, Isles of *Ferrey*, *Guernsey*, *Alderney*, or *Sark*, or any of His Majesty's Plantations, do, with the first Opportunity, take the respective Oaths of Office, and all other Oaths as required by the said Act, and in the mean time do not fail every One severally, according to his Place, Office, or Charge, to proceed in the Performance and Execution of all Duties belonging to their respective Offices. And We do hereby Require and Command all His Majesty's Subjects to be Aiding, Helping and Assisting, at the Commandment of the said Officers and Ministers, in the Performance and Execution of their respective Offices and Places, as they and every of them tender His Majesty's utmost Displeasure, and will Answer the contrary at their Perils.

*Given at the Court at St. James's, the Fifth Day of August, 1714. In the First Year of His Majesty's Reign.*

God save the KING.

*The Lord Marshal's Order for a general Mourning for Her late Majesty Queen ANNE, of blessed Memory.*

**I**N Pursuance of an Order of their Excellencies the LORDS JUSTICES in Council at *St. James's*, the 5th Day of August, 1714. There are to give publick Notice, That it is expected, That all Persons upon the present Occasion, of the Death of Her late Majesty, of blessed Memory, do put themselves into the deepest Mourning, (long Cloaks excepted). The said Mourning to begin upon *Sunday* the 15th Instant: And that as well all Lords, as Privy-Councillors, and Officers of Her Majesty's Household, do Cover their Coaches, Chariots and Chairs, and Cloath their Livery Servants, with Black Cloth, by *Sunday* the 22d Instant: And that no Person whatsoever, for the first Six Months, put any Escudoons of Arms, or Arms Painted on their Coaches, nor use any Varnish'd or Bullion Nails to be seen on their Coaches, Chariots, or Chairs.

SUFFOLK, M.

*Placentia, June 22. N. S.* On the First Instant Colonel Moody, Lieutenant-Governor of this Place, arrived here with part of Her Majesty's Forces. The next Day he had a Conference with Monsieur de Costebelle, Governor from the most Christian King, in order to shew his Commission and Powers for taking Possession of the Town, together with the Castle, Forts, and other Dependencies, pursuant to the Treaty of Peace, and to fix a Day for delivering up the same. The 5th being agreed on for the Day of the Surrender, about eight a-Clock that Morning the French marched out, and Colonel Moody having disembarked the Troops under his Command, and drawn them up on each side the Gate of the Fort, immediately march'd in, and took Possession of the Place. After which he planted the British Colours on the Castle and Fort, and proclaimed the Peace. This Solemnity was performed with firing of Guns, and other Demonstrations of Joy, by the Garrison. The British Forces, which had been separated from the Colonel, are since arrived in a very good Condition.

*Hanover, August 7. N. S.* On the 4th Instant the Earl of Clarendon, in Quality of Envoy Extraordinary of Her late Majesty, had an Audience of the King, of their Royal Highnesses the Prince, and Princess, and of Duke Ernest. A Gentleman of the Bed-Chamber was sent to Conduct him from his own House to Herenhausen, whither he went in one of his Majesty's Coaches, follow'd by another for the Gentle-