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Westminster, August 25.

**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, since your last Adjournment, received His Majesty's most Gracious Answer, under His Sign Manual, to your several Adresses; and, by His Majesty's Command, ordered them to be delivered to you respectively: We do now, in His Majesty's Name, Prorogue this present Parliament to Thursday the Twenty third Day of September next: And this present Parliament is accordingly Prorogued to Thursday the Twenty-third Day of September next.

*Hanover, August 31. N. S.* Duke Ernest is to accompany the King to Great Britain. His Majesty hath not yet appointed the Day for His Departure, but it is thought He will set out the beginning of next Week, in case he receives advice of the arrival of his Yachts on the Coasts of Holland. All the Neighbouring Princes and States have sent Envoys to this Court, to Congratulate His Majesty upon His Accession to the Crown. The Earl of Albemarle, who came to Compliment Him on the part of the States General, is returned to the Hague; and yesterday the Earl of Clarendon set out for the same Place, where he is to wait for the arrival of His Majesty.

*Paris, September 1. N. S.* On the 24th past this Court went into Mourning for the Death of Her late Majesty Queen Anne. On the 29th the King remov'd from Versailles to Fontainebleau, where he intends to continue for six Weeks. They write from Lyons, that the Queen Dowager of Poland had been received there with all the Honours due to her Rank. Marechal Villeroy, accompanied by the principal Inhabitants of the City, went out to meet her Majesty, and at her Entry into the Town, several Prisoners, who had been concerned in the late Sedition at that Place, were set at Liberty. Letters from the Camp before Barcelona bring an account, that on the 12th past the Besiegers made an Assault upon the Bastions of the New Gate, and St. Claire, which were taken, and the Lodgments were almost finished when the Garrison returned to the Charge, dislodg'd their Enemies, and obliged them to retire to the Covered Way. On the 13th at Night, the King's Troops under the Command of the Marquis de Silly, and Monsieur de Rebadez, made a second Attack upon the Bastion of St. Claire, which they carried, but were afterwards driven from thence, after they had kept Possession of it near fourteen Hours. In

this Action Brigadier Saubeuf, who commanded the Grenadiers, was kill'd, Monsieur de Polastron, Colonel-General of the Royal Regiment, was wounded in three Places, and in each Attack the Besiegers lost a considerable number of Men, among whom were several Officers.

*Hague, September 4. N. S.* On the 29th past an Express was sent to the King with an Account, that the British Squadron, under the Command of the Earl of Berkley, was arrived at Helvoetsluys. The next Day the Earl of Strafford presented a Memorial to the States General, returning them the Thanks of the King and the Lords Justices, for the Affection and Zeal they have shewn to His Majesty and the Protestant Succession, in their Answer to the Speech his Excellency made to their Deputies on the 15th of August. Their High Mightinesses have sent Orders to all the Towns through which the King is to pass, to receive him with all possible Marks of Honour and Respect. They have likewise ordered Relays of Horses and Guards at convenient Distances, for His Majesty's Service and Security. The Six Men of War fitted out at Amsterdam, to attend the King in his Passage to Great Britain, are already Sailed to the Mouth of the Maes, where they will be joined by Two more, which are Equipping there for the same Purpose. On the 1st Instant a Messenger came hither from Hanover, with Letters for the Earl of Strafford, as also for Mr. Prior, His Majesty's Minister at Paris, to which Place he set forward immediately. Yesterday Monsieur Hammerstein and Monsieur de la Foret, Gentlemen of the Bedchamber to the King, arrived here, as did likewise Baron Schuts, formerly Envoy of Hanover in Great Britain. We are informed, that a great part of the King's Retinue and Baggage, is already sent away to this Place, and that His Majesty intends to set out Himself, in Person, as soon as He receives an Account of the arrival of His Fleet in Holland. Last Night the Earl of Strafford was in Conference with Monsieur Heinsius the Great Pensionary, and this Morning the States sent to desire another with his Excellency, to inform him of what pass'd between them and Baron Heems at a Conference Yesterday on the Subject of their Barrier. An Edict will be published here very soon for opening a Trade again with the Town of Hamburgh, on the same Foot as it was before that Place was infected with a Contagious Distemper.

*Westminster, August 25.* Last Night was Solemnized, in the Collegiate Church of this Place, the private Interment of Her late most Excellent Majesty Queen ANNE, of Blessed Memory. The Lords, the Peeres, the Lords Sons, Privy-Councillors, Judges, and others who were to attend this Solemnity, met about Seven in the Evening in the House of Peers, the Painted Chamber, and other Rooms adjoining, where being called out in Order by the Officers of Arms, they proceeded about Ten of the Clock thro' the Princes Chamber into the Palace-Yard, and thence unto the South-East Door of the Abbey, one of the great Guns at the Tower firing