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St. James's, November 27.

THIS Day the Right Honourable George Earl of Hallifax was, by His Majesty's Command, sworn one of the Lords of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

Berne, Nov. 17. The Differences between the King of Sicily and the State of Geneva, are not yet accommodated, nor is there any Advice what has been the Effect of the Letter sent some Time since to the Court of Turin by the Protestant Cantons, in Favour of that State. The new Proposal sent hither on the Part of the Abbot of St. Gall, having been communicated to the Canton of Zurich, their Answer is to be laid to Day before the Council of Two Hundred, and it is expected some Resolution will be taken with Regard to the Time and Place of the Conference desired; in which the Deputies on the Part of the two Cantons are principally to insist on the Abbot's Re-establishing the People of Tockembourg in their religious and civil Rights. By Letters from Genoa we have an Account, that the Spaniards are now possessed of all the Places of Strength on the Island of Sardinia.

Dublin, Nov. 22. On the 20th Instant his Grace the Duke of Bolton, Lord Lieutenant of this Kingdom, went with the usual State to the House of Peers, and gave the Royal Assent to some Acts. On which Occasion the Speaker of the House of Commons made the following Speech to his Grace.

May it please your Grace,

HIS Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects the Commons, resolving to make an ample Provision for His Majesty's Establishment, and finding that the necessary Dispositions to hinder the late unnatural Rebellion from extending itself into this Kingdom, had laid the Nation under an unavoidable Debt, they have unanimously granted such Supplies as may honourably support the one, and be sufficient in a great Measure to discharge the other.

This the Commons have done with the greatest Chearfulness, being fully persuaded that they can never sufficiently approve their Gratitude and Fidelity to His most sacred Majesty, whose solicitous Care for the Prosperity of His People fully answers the great Hopes His Princely Virtues had justly raised in the Minds of all honest Men.

The Commons, led by so great and good an Example, have shewn their tender Concern for the Interest of their Country, in raising the Supplies by Ways and Means the most easie and agreeable to His Majesty's Subjects.

And I must in Justice to the Commons observe, that their perfect Harmony and Unanimity through the whole Course of the Session, not only Demonstrates their inviolable Duty and Affection to His Majesty, but is also a convincing Proof of their just Regard for your Grace's Person and Administration.

The Protestants of Ireland can never forget those Brave and Worthy Patriots, who so Gloriously defended their Religion and the Liberties of their Country at the late Happy Revolution. And as your Grace eminently distinguish'd your self