

From Saturday March 7. to Tuesday March 10. 1719.

Westminster, March 10.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in his Royal Robes seated on the Throne, with the usual Solemnity, the Gentleman-Usher of the Black-Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to make the following most Gracious Speech to both Houses.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

*H*AVING received from our good Brother and Ally the Most Christian King repeated Advices, that an Invasion will suddenly be attempted from Spain against my Dominions, in favour of the Pretender to my Crown, I have judged it convenient to make you acquainted with it, and shall on my Part take all the necessary Measures to defeat the Designs of our Enemies.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

This Attempt, if it proceed must engage me in some further Expences by Sea and Land, than Provision has been made for. I must therefore recommend it to you that I be enabled in such Manner as you shall judge convenient to make the necessary Dispositions for our Security; and you may depend upon it, that I shall upon this and all Occasions have as much Regard to the Ease of my People, as shall be consistent with their Safety.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The many Proofs I have had of the Affection and Loyalty of this Parliament, leave me no Room to doubt of your steady and vigorous Perseverance in support of my Person and Government upon this Occasion.

Lisbon, March 7. N. S. By Letters from Madrid of the 17th of the last Month, we received an Account that a Squadron of 7 Men of War was fitting out at Cadiz to be commanded by Admiral Serrano, who upon his Arrival with the last Fleet from New Spain had been banish'd to Ceuta, but was since pardoned, and was come to Cadiz to hasten the fitting out of the said Squadron; that there were about 4000 Troops in a Readiness to be imbarked, and that there was Reason to believe these Preparations were made against England, because the English Consul at Corunna had, by an Order from Court above three Weeks before been removed to a Place 20 Leagues distant from the Sea, which looked as if it had been on Purpose to keep him ignorant of these Preparations, which together with the Design of them, were concealed with all possible Care; and to confirm this Suspicion, the late Duke of Ormond, who, during his Stay at Valladolid, had been observed to be very busy in some private Transaction, arrived at Madrid the 14th, and left that Place the 16th, and was said to be gone to Corunna. These Letters added, that the Hermione Frigate, having taken

in five Months Provisions, was sailed from Cadiz, the Commander having his Orders sealed up, which he was not to open till such time as he should be 40 Leagues out at Sea. We have since received further Accounts from Madrid of the 24th past which say, that the late Duke of Ormond went on board the Ship Hermione before mentioned; and that the Troops designed for the secret Expedition were actually embarking on board 30 Transport Ships, which were to be conveyed by seven Men of War, and amounted to 4000 Foot and 900 Horse, most of them dismounted; that they carried with them a great Number of spare Arms, with a Quantity of Ammunition and some Artillery.

Marseilles, Feb. 26. A Ship belonging to this Port came in here this Morning which sailed from Cadiz 11 Days ago, the Matter reports, that he was obliged to come away by stealth, Orders having been given to seize all the Merchant Ships, in order to employ them in transporting a Body of Troops with some Ammunition and Artillery for some Expedition, which was kept very secret; and that when he came away they had in this Manner got together about 50 Transport Ships, which were to be conveyed by seven or eight Men of War.

St. Malo, March 3. We have Advice from Cadiz by a Ship that came from thence to Brest in 11 Days, that eight Ships of War were fitting out there, with between 40 and 50 Transport Ships that were to be employed in carrying of Troops, Artillery and Ammunition for some Expedition that was kept secret.

Paris, March 15. Our freshest Advices from Spain say, that the late Duke of Ormond took his Leave of that Court the 14th of the last Month, and set out from Madrid the next Day for Cadiz; that Eight Men of War, and about 50 Transport Ships, were fitted out in that Port, on board which 13 Battallions and a Regiment of Dragoons, all or most of them Irish, were to embark, and were to carry with them a great Number of spare Arms, and some Artillery and Ammunition; that those Preparations were in such Forwardness, that this Fleet would be ready to put to Sea by the 5th or 6th Instant; and that the late Duke of Ormond was to command those Forces, which were designed to attempt an Invasion in Great Britain. These Advices add, that several French Merchant Ships that were at Cadiz, had been detained by Force to be employed in that Service; We have an Account from Languedoc and Guienne, that several Highlanders, and others known to be in the Pretender's Interest, who were in those Parts, departed from thence on a sudden, and it was not known whither they were gone; but they are supposed to be gone to Spain, in order to be employed in this Expedition. We have yet no certain Account of the Pretender; they write from Rome, that at his Departure from thence he left a kind of Manifesto intimating, that not thinking himself

Rome; but doubting of his safety even in that Place, he was gone to seek Refuge else where, from which Writing People inferred that he designed for Spain, and was resolved to observe no Measures with the Emperour.

Whitehall, March 16. On Friday last Captain Gardiner arrived from France, being sent Express to His Majesty with an Account, that the Preparations of the Spaniards at Cadiz were certainly designed against South Britain; and that their Fleet would put to Sea on the 7th or 8th Instant, N. S.

Admiralty-Office, March 4, 1718.

It being absolutely necessary for His Majesty's Service, that the Men belonging to the Cumberland and Hampton-Court, as also the late Company of the Buckingham now order'd into the Medway at Chatham, and the Shrewsbury and Dorsetshire at Portsmouth, which are absent either by Leave or otherwise, should immediately repair to their Duty on Board the said Ships; the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty do hereby strictly charge and require all the said Men to repair to their Duty without a Moment's Loss of Time, as they will answer the contrary at their Peril.

Admiralty-Office, March 6, 1718.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty having ordered the Officers and Men belonging to His Majesty's Ship the Shrewsbury, to be removed into the Monmouth at Portsmouth, these Lordships do hereby strictly charge and require all the Men belonging to the Shrewsbury, forthwith to repair to their Duty on Board the said Ship, Monmouth, as they will answer the contrary at their Peril.

Admiralty-Office, March 9, 1718.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty having ordered the Officers and Men belonging to His Majesty's Ship the Preston to be removed into the Weymouth at Woolwich, their Lordships do hereby strictly charge and require all the Men belonging to the Preston, forthwith to repair to their Duty on board the said Ship Weymouth, as they will answer the contrary at their Peril.

These are to give Notice, That all Out-Pensioners belonging to Chelsea Hospital who reside within 20 Miles of London, repair to the Royal Hospital this Day, To-morrow, and Thursday, being the 10th, 11th, and 12th Instant; and to those Out-Pensioners who reside within 40 Miles, on Friday and Saturday following, the 13th and 14th Instant; in order then to receive their Pay; and such who shall not appear will for ever be dismiss the Pension.

By Order,
King'smill Eyre, Secr.

The Receivers of the present Lottery for 500,000 l. give Notice, that daily Attendance is given at the Bank of England for receiving the remaining two Thirds of the Contribution-Money which is by Act of Parliament appointed to be paid on or before the 20th Instant, on Penalty of forfeiting the first Payment.

Essex-House, March 9, 1718-19.

Notice is hereby given, that the Estates late of Edward Winkley, of about the yearly Value of 200 l. John Plessington, of about the yearly Value of 40 l. Edward Core, of about the yearly Value of 20 l. and Robert Daniel, of about the yearly Value of 8 l. lying in the County of Lancaster, will be sold to the best Bidder, by Cant or Auction, pursuant to the Direction of a late Act of Parliament, before the Trustees for Sale of the Forfeited Estates, at their Office at Essex-House in Essex-street, London, on the 21st Instant, at Ten in the Forenoon. As also the Life-Rent Estate of the late Lord Widdrington, at Stella and Winton, in the County of Durham, of about the yearly Value of 1250 l. and the Chambers in Gray's Inn, belonging to the late Roger Diggonson, Esq; of about the yearly Value of 6 l. will be sold on the 23d Instant, at Ten in the Forenoon, at Essex-House aforesaid; where Particulars of the said Estates are ready to be deliver'd.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby

is in the Forenoon.

East-India
the 15th Inst. 1718

At a Meeting of the Directors of the Colour-Mill Company on the 5th Instant, it was order'd that a Call be made of one further Fifth upon each Share; to be paid, to the Treasurer within 14 Days from this Publication at Mr. Finall's Chambers, N^o 5. in Garden-Court, Middle Temple; or for Neglect thereof such Share or Shares will be forfeited, pursuant to the said Company's fifth Article of Agreement.

Union Fire-Office for Goods.

The Directors give Notice, That a General Meeting of the said Society will be held on the 25th Instant, by Three in the Afternoon, at their Office in Gutter-lane, Cheap-side, (and not at Merchant-Taylor's Hall, as was inserted in last Thursday's Courant by mistake) being one of the half-yearly Meetings appointed by the Deed of Settlement.

Advertisements.

ON Thursday the 9th of April next a Plate of 25 l. will be run for on King'sland Course, near the Town of Shrewsbury, in the County of Salop, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding carrying 10 Stone Weight, besides erule and saddle: And upon Friday the 10th of April next, upon the same Course, a Plate of 50 l. will be run for by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, carrying 11 Stone Weight, besides erule and saddle: And upon Saturday the 11th of the same Month a Plate of 15 l. will be run for, on the same Course, by Galloways who are to carry eight stone. All the Horses to be entered and kept in the said Course of Shrewsbury, or suburbs thereof, at least seven Days before the said several Plates are to be run for.

Whereas Morris Edwards, Citizen and Salter of London, did, on the 22d of May 1683, mortgage an Estate in Bricklam, in Surrey, to Richard Flxney, deceased, for 103 l. this is to give Notice, that if the said Edwards, or any Person entitled to the Redemption of the said estate shall appear before Sir Thomas Gery, Knight, one of the Masters of the Court of Chancery, by the 11th Day of May next, and make good his Claim to the same, such Person may have the Benefit of such Redemption, otherwise the said Premises will be applied to charitable Uses, according to a Decree in Chancery, without any regard had to the Equity of Redemption.

On Henry Marten (who in the Year 1712, drove a Hackney Coach in or about London) is hereby desired to forthwith to come to Robert Fenwick, Esq; at his Chambers, N^o 9. in Habburn-Court, in Gray's Inn, by whom he shall be fully paid for his Trouble and Loss of Time in so doing. And if the said Henry Marten be dead, any Person who can prove the same, and is acquainted with his Hand-Writing, is desired to come to the Place above-mentioned, where he shall be satisfied for his Loss of Time and Trouble as at reward.

On a black Mare about 14 Hands high, coming 4 Years old, a little white in her Face, her right eye struck out, supposed to be let from near Hereford the 19th of February last; Gentlemen who live in Market Towns are desired to give the Innkeepers and Exchangers Notice hereof: Whosoever secures the Mare and Person that stole her shall have 20 s. Reward, over and above the 40 l. given by Act of Parliament; and if the Mare shall be stout, pray give Notice to Mr. Crumpe, at Lugwardine near Hereford, or to Charles Crumpe at the Fleece in Cateaton-street, London.

Whereas by Advertisement in the Gazette of the 30th of July 1717, Notice was given that 100 l. Reward would be given to any Person who should discover John Mulcaster, of London, Mercer, against whom a Commission of Bankrupt was then lately awarded, so that he should be brought before the Commissioners in the said Commission named; and whereas Peter Nettle and Thomas Price, Assignees of the said Mulcaster's Estate, and above 70 others of his Creditors, have received a Composition in full Satisfaction of their Debts: Now this is to give Notice therefore, that the said Peter Nettle and Thomas Price will not any longer be obliged to pay the said 100 l. Reward in case the said John Mulcaster shall be discovered and taken.

Tho. Clendon, Attorney
for the Assignees.

Tho. Price.
Peter Nettle.

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded against Ralph Twitchell, late of the Wood-gate near the Borough of Leicelle, Frame-Werk-Knitter, and he being declared a Bankrupt; the Commissioners intend to meet on the 26th Instant, at Three in the Afternoon, at Mr. Thomas Barabaw's in the Borough of Leicetter, to appoin Assignees; where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts and pay Contribution-Money: And all Persons that are indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects at his in their Hands, are not to pay or deliver the same to any Person but whom the Commissioners shall appoint, but are to give Notice to Mr. Joshua Hinton, Attorney, in Ditch-lane, London; or Mr. Tho. Palmer, Attorney, in the Borough of Leicetter aforesaid.

The Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded against Peter Ratmer, of London, Merchant, intend to meet on the 9th of April next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors that have not already proved their Debts and paid Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.