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AT the Council Chamber Whitehall, the
26th Day of June 1740.

P R E S E N T,

Their Excellencies the Lords Justices in
Council.

Their Excellencies the Lords Justices in
Council were this Day pleased to order, That
the Parliament which stands prorogued to
Tuesday the Eighth of July next, should be
further prorogued to Tuesday the Nine-
teenth Day of August following.

Whereas by the Laws and Statutes of this
Realm, all Forestalling, Regrating, and In-
grossing of Corn is prohibited, and it is by the
Act of the Fifth and Sixth of Edward the
Sixth particularly enacted, That when Corn
or Grain is above the Prices in the said Act for
that Purpose mentioned, whosoever shall in-
gross or get into his Hands by Buying, Con-
tracting, or Promise, taking other than by
Demile, Grant, or Lease of Land or Tythes,
any Corn growing in the Fields, or any other
Corn or Grain, to the Intent to sell again,
excepting Badgers, Laders, Kidders and Car-
riers licenced by three Justices of the Peace for
that Purpose, or where the same is bought to
make into Malt or Oatmeal, or to victual
Ships, Forts or Castles in the King's Domi-
nions, or for Transportation by Water from one
Part of the Realm to another, by Persons li-
cenced for that Purpose by three Justices, and
on the Terms therein mentioned, shall be
deemed an unlawful Ingrosser, and shall suf-
fer Imprisonment for two Months for the first
Offence, half a Year for the Second, and for the
Third, the Pillory, and Forfeit all his Goods and
Chattels, and be imprisoned during the King's
Pleasure. And whereas their Excellencies the
Lords Justices have been informed, That tho'
the Prices of Corn are raised to a great Height,
far beyond the Prices in the said Act mention-
ed, divers ill disposed Persons, for their pri-
vate Lucre, do presume to buy up and ingross
great Quantities of Corn and Grain, in order
to export and sell the same beyond the Seas,
contrary to the said Laws, and to the great
Oppression of the Poor.— Their Excellen-
cies, by and with the Advice of his Majesty's
Privy Council, have thought fit, in order to
prevent the many Inconveniencies that may
arise to the Publick by the Scarcity of Corn
and Grain, to order, That all the Laws rela-
ting to Forestalling, Regrating, and Ingros-

sing of Corn, and particularly the said Act of
the Fifth and Sixth of Edward the Sixth, be
strictly observed, and effectually carried into
Execution. And to the Intent that all Per-
sons who shall break the same, may be dis-
covered, do order, that the Commissioners
and Officers of the Customs at the several
Ports of this Kingdom, do take care, when
any Corn or Grain shall be brought to be en-
tered for Exportation, to inform themselves by
the best Ways and Means they can, of the
Names and Places of Abode of the Persons so
bringing the same, or making such Entry, and
of the Places from whence the Corn or Grain
is brought, and who is the true Owner there-
of, and whether the same be really the Growth
of the Land of the Person exporting, or
bought of any other Persons, and to give an
Account immediately of such Particulars to
two or more Justices of the Peace of the Coun-
ty, Place or Division, where such Entry is
made, to the End such Persons may be appre-
hended and proceeded against according to
Law, in case they shall not appear to be with-
in some of the said excepted Cases out of the
said Act. And that the Commissioners do
also forthwith send their Orders and Direc-
tions to the Officers of the several Ports of
this Kingdom for the Purposes beforementio-
ned, and requiring them to use their utmost
Endeavours in putting this Order in due and
strict Execution. And the Lords Commis-
sioners of his Majesty's Treasury are to give
the necessary Directions to the Commissioners
of his Majesty's Customs accordingly. And
their Excellencies have thought fit, by and
with the Advice of his Majesty's Privy Coun-
cil, to order, that the Custodes Rotulorum of
the several Counties and Divisions in England
and Wales, do recommend it in the strongest
Manner to the Justices of the Peace in their
respective Counties and Divisions, that they
do, in their respective Places and Jurisdic-
tions, cause the said Act of the Fifth and Sixth
of Edward the Sixth, and all other the Laws
against the Forestalling, Regrating, and In-
grossing Corn and Grain, to be speedily and
effectually carried into Execution, and that
they do take care that no Licence be granted
to any Badger, Lader, Kidder, Carrier, or
Buyer of Corn or Grain, but according to the
Directions of the said Act of the Fifth and
Sixth of Edward the Sixth, and other the
Acts relating thereto, and that they take
care that all Offenders against the said Acts be
effectually prosecuted according to Law.

(Price Two Pence.)

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