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Westminster, December 1.

IS Majefty came this Day to the Houfe of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, feated on the Throne with the ufual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman Ufher of the Black Rod, was fent with a Mellage from his Majefty to the Houfe of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the Houfe of Peers; the Comatons being come thither accordingly, his Majefty was pleafed to make the following moft graclous Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

S IN CE your laft Meeting, I have, purfuant to your Advice, and in Confequence of your Support, exerted my Endeavours for the Prefervation of the Houfe of Auftria, and the Maintenance of the Balance and Liberties of Europe. It has pleafed God to give Succefs to our Arms, in Conjunction with those of the Queen of Hungary, and as her Auxiliaries. The Dominions of that Princefs have been entirely evacuated by her Enemies; and the powerful Armies which had marched to their Affiftance, have been obliged to retire out of the Empire. In this Conjuncture, it is a great Satisfaction to me to acquaint you, that I have been joined by a Body of Troops of my good Friends and Allies the States General.

In further Profecution of thefe Meafures, the Definitive Treaty between me, the Queen of Hungary, and the King of Sardinia, has been happily concluded, which shall be laid before you. The Advantages, which cannot fail to refult from this Alliance, to the Common Cause, are appatent; and it will be particularly conducive to the Interests of my Kingdoms, by difappointing the ambitious Views of the Crown of Spain, with which we are engaged in fo just and necessary a War. As I make no Doubt, but you will proceed upon these Foundations with Firmness and Constancy, we may reasonably hope to see the publick Tranquility reestablished, and a general and honourable Peace obtained. These are my Views, to which my utmost Attention and Resolution shall not be wanting : But, in order to bring about these

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great Ends, Measures of Vigour are necessary; and to enable me to concert and carry on such Measures, I do, with a just Confidence, rely on your zealous, cheerful, and effectual Support.

'The Marriage of my youngest Daughter with the Prince Royal of Denmark, cannot but give Satisfaction to all my good Subjects, as it tends to cement and strengthen the Protestant Interest in Europe.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I have ordered the Estimates to be laid before you, for the Service of the enfuing Year; and defire you to grant me such Supplies, as shall be requisite for the Honour and Security of the Nation, and adequate to the Exigencies of the Publick.

In doing this, let me particularly recommend it to you, to enable me to concert proper Meafures, and to enter into, and make good fuch Alliances and Engagements with other Powers, as may be neceflary for the Support of the Queen of Hungary, and reftoring the Balance of Power.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I have had fuch Experience of your Duty and Affection to me, and of your Zeal for the Good of your Country, that it would be fuperfluous to add any Thing to prefs thefe important Confiderations upon you. Union and Harmony amongft ourfelves, and Vigour and Difpatch in your Proceedings, are indufpenfably neceffary in fuch Conjunctures. Let nothing obftruct or divert your Steadinefs and Application to the great Ends which I have laid before you; and be affured, that nothing can ever divert me from purfuing your true and lafting Intereft.

St. James's, December 2.

The following Address of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty of the City of Coventry, in Council affembled, was prefented to his Majefty by his Grace the Duke of Grafton, Recorder of the faid City. Which Address his Majefty was pleafed to receive very graciously.

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