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Westminster, November 29.

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 Honourable Mr. Bellenden, 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.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Acquainted you, at the Close of the last Session of Parliament, that Preliminary Articles for a general Pacification had been signed by my Minister, and those of the most Christian King, and the States General of the United Provinces; to which the Empress Queen of Hungary, the Kings of Spain and Sardinia, and the other Powers engaged in the War, soon afterwards acceded.

I lost no Time in taking the proper Measures with my Allies for effectuating a General Peace, by a Definitive Treaty, in which all Parties were to concur: And notwithstanding the Difficulties, which must attend so extensive a Work, wherein the respective Interests of so many Powers were to be finally adjusted by common Consent, I have been able, by the Blessing of God, in the Course of the Summer, to compleat it; and I have the Pleasure to acquaint you, that a Definitive Treaty, previously concerted with my Allies, has been signed by my Ministers, and those of France and the States General, to which all the other Powers concerned in the War, have acceded without Reserve.

It has been my chief Endeavour, in putting an End to the Calamities of War, to make the most effectual Provision for securing the Rights and Interests of my own Subjects, and to procure the best Terms and Conditions for my Allies that the Situation of Affairs would admit. And I take much Satisfaction in being able to tell you, that I have found a general good Disposition in all the Parties engaged in the War, to bring this Negotiation to a happy Conclusion. From these Circumstances we may promise ourselves, under God, a long Enjoyment of the Blessings of Peace, provided we make the right Use and Improvement of it.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

As great a Progress has been made towards reducing the publick Expences, as the Nature of

the Case would allow; and I only desire you to grant me such Supplies as may be requisite for the current Service of the Year; for your own Security; and for making good such Engagements as have been already entered into, and laid before you. Times of Tranquility are the proper Seasons for lessening the National Debt, and strengthening ourselves against future Events; and, as the necessary Means for these Purposes, I must recommend to you the Improvement of the Publick Revenue, and the maintaining our Naval Force in proper Strength and Vigour.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It is impossible for me to speak to you on this Subject of the happy Re-establishment of the Publick Tranquility, without returning you my sincerest Thanks for the great and affectionate Support you have given me in carrying on this just and necessary War; in which not only the common Cause of Europe, but our own Independency and essential Interests were highly concerned. As the extraordinary Burdens, which it brought upon my good Subjects, gave me much Uneasiness, so I could not but wish to see as speedy an End put to them as possible. Whatever the Events of War may have been, the Bravery of my Troops has distinguished itself on every Occasion, to their lasting Honour; and our signal Successes at Sea must ever be remember'd to the Glory of the British Fleet, and entitle it to the particular Attention and Support of this Nation. You will further consider that those brave Men, who have serv'd well by Sea, or Land, and cannot now be employ'd, justly deserve to be the Objects of your Favour and Protection.

As my first Care has been to take the most early Measures that my People may, as soon as possible, reap the Benefits of Peace, so I doubt not of your chearful Assistance in perfecting this good Work. Let me earnestly recommend to you the Advancement of our Commerce, and cultivating the Arts of Peace, in which you may depend on my hearty Concurrence and Encouragement. It shall be my Endeavour to continue these Blessings by a punctual Execution of the Engagements now taken, and by maintaining the most perfect Harmony and good Correspondence with the Friends and Allies of Great Britain.

The Experience I have had of you, makes me rely on the Zeal, Unanimity and Dispatch of your Proceedings; and you may be assured, that nothing shall be wanting, on my Part, to make you a flourishing and happy People.

Admiralty Office, Nov. 29, 1748.

Extract of a Letter from Rear Admiral Knowles, dated on Board the Cornwall, off the Havannah, October 2, 1748.

Since my last I met with Captain Holmes of the Lenox, who not being able to get to Windward with the Convoy from Jamaica, bore away to get a Passage through the Gulph, and the Day before he joined me had been chased by Seven Sail of Spanish Men of War, who took one of his Convoy; upon which Intelligence I ordered him to join me, and stood over immediately for the Cuba Shore, in Hopes of meeting them, and accordingly the next Morning at Break of Day I fell in with them, and about Three o'Clock began the Engagement, and by Five I drove Admiral Reggio out of the Line, and made him put away before the Wind, and the Conquistador his Second strike to me, having set her on Fire three Times with Cohorn Shells; all the Squadron soon followed their Admiral, but unluckily at that very Instant, my Main-top-mast was shot by the Board, and my Fore-top-sail-yard shot down, that I could not make Sail after them, upon which I hawl'd down the Signal for the Line, and made a Signal for the whole Squadron to chace, and they continued in Action till near Eleven o'Clock at Night, when the Spaniards ran so near the Breakers of the Shore, that our Ships Pilots being unacquainted they could follow them no longer; the Canterbury and Strafford stuck close to Admiral Reggio, and just as they were obliged to leave him, they saw his main and mizen Masts tumble over his Side.

Upon the Beginning of the Action I saw the Spaniards Scheme was to cannonade and not come to a close Engagement which I was resolved for, and therefore bore down within half Musquet Shot of the Admiral, having received several Broadfides from the four Sternmost Ships before I return'd one Gun.

The Action was within about four Leagues of the Shore, between the Havannah and the Matancas.

I have not been able to collect yet the Number of Slain and Wounded in the Action, but believe it not to be very great, the Spaniards chief Aim being at our Masts.

Extract of a Letter from Rear Admiral Knowles, dated on board the Cornwall off the Havannah, October 6, 1748.

This accompanies a Duplicate of my last, and have only to add, that two Days after the Action I found Admiral Reggio's Ship at an Anchor in a small Bay near the Place where we engaged, with her Masts beat away, as Captains Clark and Brodie had informed me; upon which I made directly for her, with a Design either to have brought her out by Force or burnt her; but the Spaniards saved me the Trouble, by setting her on Fire themselves.

The Spanish Squadron consisted of the following Ships.

	Guns.	
Africa	74	Vice Admiral Reggio,
Invincible	74	Rear Admiral Spinola,
Royal Family	64	{ St. Mark Forresdal, Com-
		modore,
Conquistador	64	Don Thomas de San Juste,
Dragon	64	Don Manuel de Paz,

Nueva Spania 64 Don Fernando Barrail,
Galga — 36 Garrecocha,
Who had besides their Compliments, the Regiment of Almanza aboard, and all the Men out of the Privateers in the Place, with a Design to give me Battle, being informed I had but five Sail with me.

Our Squadron consisted of

	Guns.		Men.
Cornwall	80	{ Rear Ad. Knowles, } { Capt. Taylor, — }	600
Lenox	but 56	aboard Capt. Holmes,	400
Tilbury	60	Capt. Powlett,	400
Canterbury	60	Capt. Clark,	400
Warwick	60	Capt. Innes,	400
Strafford	60	Capt. Brodie,	400
Oxford	60	Capt. Toll,	300

Dublin, November 19.

This being the Birth-Day of Her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, the great Guns were fired at His Majesty's Phoenix Park, and answered by Volleys from the Regiments in Garrison which were drawn out in the Royal Square at the Barracks: At Noon there was a splendid Appearance of the Nobility, and other Persons of Distinction, to compliment the Lords Justices upon this Occasion; and at Night there was a Play given by their Excellencies for the Entertainment of the Ladies.

Whitehall, November 12, 1748.

Whereas it hath been represented to their Excellencies the Lords Justices, that divers Robberies have been lately committed within the County of Suffex, particularly one on John Waters, near Buxted Bridge, on the 12th Day of October last, by five Persons armed, who took from him Twenty six Pounds; and one other Robbery on the 2d Day of November Instant, in the House of Richard Hoffenden, by four Men armed with Pistols and a Blunderbuss, who took out of the said House Thirty-five Pounds in Money, five Pieces of old Gold, two Silver Spoons marked I. H. a Silver Watch, a two handled Tumbler, and three plain Gold Rings; and whereas there is good Reason to believe that the Persons who committed the said Robberies are Part of a Gang of Smuglers, who have long infested the Coast of that County: Their Excellencies, for the better discovering the Persons concerned in the said Robberies, are pleased hereby to promise his Majesty's most gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders (except Thomas Kemp, of Flinwell, who some Time ago escaped out of Newgate, if it should appear that he was concerned in either of the said Robberies) who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices, so as he or they may be convicted of either of the said Robberies: And as a further Encouragement for such Discovery, a Reward of Fifty Pounds to such Person, or to any other Person or Persons making the same as aforesaid, to be paid on the Conviction of each Offender.

J. Potter.

Whitehall, Sept. 15, 1748.

Whereas it has been represented to their Excellencies the Lords Justices, that, on the 6th of this Instant September, one Hugh Coffy was committed to Newgate, on strong Suspicion of Filing and Diminishing Portugal Gold Pieces: And as there is the strongest Reason to believe, that the said Coffy, and several others (who since the said Coffy's Commitment have absconded) have been concerned in Filing the Current Coin of this Kingdom called Guineas, and in dispersing the same: Their Excellencies are pleased to promise His Majesty's most gracious Pardon to any of the Persons concerned with the said Coffy as aforesaid, upon his or her discovering one or more of his or her Accomplices; as likewise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds, over and above the Reward allowed by Act of Parliament, to any Person or Persons, who shall apprehend and take any Person or Persons concerned in

Filing and Diminishing the said Current Coin of this Kingdom, so as he, she or they may be convicted of the same.

J. Potter.

Mint Office in the Tower of London, Sept. 20, 1748.

Whereas divers evil-disposed Persons have, for some Time past, made a Practice of filing Guineas, and dispensing the same; and for the apprehending of the Offenders therein, their Excellencies the Lords Justices have been pleased to promise a Reward of One Hundred Pounds (over and above the Reward allowed by Act of Parliament) to any Person or Persons, who shall apprehend and take any Person or Persons concerned in filing and diminishing of Guineas, so as he, she, or they be thereof convicted: And whereas Samuel Davies, against whom an Information has been taken upon Oath, hath, since the above Discoveries, absconded from his Habitation, the Sign of the Bull and Butcher in West Smithfield; on searching which said House, was found in a Bureau belonging to the said Samuel Davies, Tools and other Instruments for filing of Guineas, with a large Quantity of Filings of Gold Coin.

Samuel Davies was born at Wrexham, served his Apprenticeship at Liverpool, well known at Thame in Oxfordshire, and kept a Butcher's Shop for some Years in German-street St. James's. He is a black Man, about five Foot ten Inches high, has a down cast Look, and had on, at the Time he absconded, an old white Wig, a Fustian Frock with Plate Buttons, a blue and white striped Waistcoat, black Breeches, light colour'd Stockings, with large Silver Buckles in his Shoes, and is about fifty Years of Age.

And whereas Informations have been taken against the following Persons for being concerned with others in filing and diminishing such Guineas as aforesaid, as also the Portugal Gold Coin, to wit, Bryan Duff, Mary Dean alias Harrison, and Margaret Rutherford, who have all lately absconded.

Bryan Duff, born in Ireland, a middle sized Man, full bodied, has a round plump Face, of a ruddy Complexion, and has a brisk Eye; is about thirty Years of Age, and generally wore a light brown Coat with yellow Metal Buttons, and a Scarlet Waistcoat; he lived Servant to a Gentleman in Clarges-street Piccadilly, and Charles street St. James's, and lodged last at the Red Lion in King-street Golden Square.

Mary Dean alias Harrison, born in Cheshire, is between forty and fifty Years of Age, lived many Years in Dublin, and well known at Liverpool, is a Dealer in Irish Stuffs: She is a middle sized Woman, has a large Scar in the Left Side of her Neck just below her Hair, a Swelling in one of her Knees, and walks lame; well known in Green Harbour-Court near the Golden Hind, Moorfields, and lodged last in Sedwick's Rents near Moor-Gate.

Margaret Rutherford alias Mary Foster, (born in Ireland) Wife of Robert Rutherford, of Sir John Ligonier's Regiment, is a tall jolly Woman, between thirty and forty Years old, is pitted with the Small Pox. has grey Eyes, and a remarkable Dent at the End of one of her Thumbs; is by Trade a Mantua-maker and Dealer in Irish Stuffs, well known about Temple-Bar, and the Villages round London, and lodged last in Bow-Lane, Cheapside.

Whoever apprehends the said Samuel Davies or either of the other abovementioned Persons, or any other Person concerned in these Practices, may apply themselves to Mr. Fountaine Cook, Solicitor to his Majesty's Mint, at his Chambers in Clement's Inn, London.

Office for Claims, Nov. 23, 1748.

In pursuance of an Advertisement made by the Managers of the Royal Family Privateers, Mr Henry Casemayer, Mr. George Walker, and Mr. James Goddard, appeared this Day in Behalf of the Officers and Crews of the said Ships, when the Accounts were laid before them; whereby it appeared, that as yet the Managers were considerably in Advance for the Ships Companies. And whereas there are been several anonymous Advertisements in the publick Newspapers, signifying important Discoveries having been made; the Managers do now promise a Reward of Ten

recovered, from his or their giving Information of such or any Discoveries, to their Secretary at the said Office, and his or their Names will be concealed if required.

Peter Untzellman, Secretary.

East India House, Nov. 23, 1748.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, do hereby give Notice, That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Wednesday the 21st of December next, at Eleven in the Forenoon. That the Transfer Books of the said Company will be shut up on Thursday the 22d of said December, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Thursday the 19th of January next. That the Dividend Warrants due at Christmas next will be ready to be delivered out on Friday the 3d of February next.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of his Majesty's Ship Tryton, that were on Board at the taking the Tiger, and the Jean and Joseph, both French Privateers, That they will be paid their respective Shares of the neat Produce of the said Prizes, on the Tryton's Return into Portland Road, or at the Three Crowns in Wymouth, on Monday the 5th Day of December next; and these Shares that are not then demanded, may be received at the same Place the first Monday in every Month for three Years to come.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers and Company of his Majesty's Ship Southsea Castle, That their respective Shares of the Bounty Money for destroying the Comte de Tanguet Privateer at the Isl of Bas, will be paid at the King's Arms on Tower Hill on Friday the 23d of December next; and the Receipts will be at Mr Henshaw's Office on the first Tuesday of every Month for three Years after.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen and others, belonging to the late Inceptor Privateer, Richard Veale, Commander, that there will be a Dividend made of the Moneys now in Hand arising from the Prizes taken by the said Privateer, at the Castle Tavern in Lombard street, on Wednesday the 21st of December next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

Notice is hereby given to the Officers, Seamen, and Mariners of his Majesty's Ship the Iverness, Captain John Hinxman, Commander, that were on board of said Ship at the taking of the French Prize Bien A me, that a Distribution of the Produce of the said Ship and Cargo will be made at the House of the said Captain John Hinxman, in Coal Harbour, Gosport, on the 27th Day of December next; and that a Receipt of the said Ship will be made the first Day of February at the said Place, and at Earl's Coffee-house at Plymouth.

THE Creditors of John Cox, late of the Parish of Christ Church, London, Taylor and Stay maker, lately discharged out of the Prison of the Borough Compter, Southwark, in the County of Surry, by Virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 21st Year of his present Majesty, entitled, An Act for Relief of Insolvent Debtors, are desired to meet on Monday the 26th Day of December next, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Sun Tavern on Ludgate Hill in the City of London, in order to chuse an Assignee or Assignees of the Estate and Effects of the said John Cox, pursuant to the said Act.

ALL the Creditors of Thomas Hammon, late of Winfield-Street, in the Parish of Christ-Church, Spittlefields, in the County of Middlesex, Weaver, late discharged out of the King's Bench Prison (by Virtue of an Act of Parliament made in the 21st Year of the Reign of his present Majesty King George the Second, intitled, An Act for Relief of Insolvent Debtors) are desired to meet on Tuesday the 6th Day of December next, at Five of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the House of Robert Nuttle, the Old Sugar-Loaf, Queen-street, Cheapside, London, in order to chuse an Assignee or Assignees of the Estate and Effects of the said Thomas Hammon, pursuant to the said Act.

Whereas Hans Femmer, at Dronthem in Norway, has assigned over his Effects for the Benefit of his Creditors, they as well as his Debtors are desired to appear before the Directors of the Council-Chamber at Dronthem aforesaid, within one Year and a Day after this Advertisement; the former to prove their Demands on said Hans Femmer, and the latter to

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By *Thomas Badeslade*, Surveyor, and Engraved by *W. H. Toms*.

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And Sold by *W. Johnston* at the Golden Ball in *St. Paul's Church Yard*.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against *Hamilton Peeters*, late of the *Maize*, in the Parish of *St. Olave-Southwark*, in the County of *Surry*, Merchant, intend to meet on the 20th of December next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at *Guildhall*, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

THE Commissioners in a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against *Francis Holmes*, of the Parish of *St. John Wapping*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Ironmonger, intend to meet on the 4th of January next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at *Guildhall*, London, in order to make a Dividend of the said Bankrupt's Estate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to prove the same, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Dividend.

THE under-mentioned Persons claiming the Benefit of the Act lately passed for Relief of Insolvent Debtors, the following Notices have been brought to the Printer of the *London Gazette*, to be inserted in this Paper, and are herein inserted in Obedience to the said Act,

The following Persons being Fugitives for Debt, and beyond the Seas on or before the first of January 1747, and having surrendered themselves to the Keeper of the King's Bench Prison in the County of *Surry*, hereby give Notice, that they intend to take the Benefit of the late Act of Parliament made in the Twenty-first Year of his present Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for Relief of Insolvent Debtors, at the next General or

Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the County of *Surry*, which shall happen next after thirty Days from the Publication hereof, viz. *George Tuting*, late of the Parish of *St. George in the East* in the County of *Middlesex*, Mariner. *Timothy Grayham*, late of *St. Paul Shadwell* in the County of *Middlesex*, Mariner. *John Wilmshurst*, late of the parish of *St. Dunstan's Stepney*, Mariner. *John Erl*, late of *Maidford* in the County of *Northampton*, Blacksmith. *James Peachey*, late of the parish of *St. Ann Limehouse* in the County of *Middlesex*, Mariner. *Robert Bowen*, late of the parish of *Allhallows Staining in Mark-lane*, in the City of *London*, Oilman. *George Edwards*, late of the parish of *Lewisham* in the County of *Kent*, Butcher. *John Wright*, late of the parish of *St. George the Martyr* in the Borough of *Southwark* in the County of *Surry*, Cork-cutter. *David Ridley*, late of the parish of *St. George in the East* in the County of *Middlesex*, Mariner. *Thomas Edwards*, late of *Greenwich* in the County of *Kent*, Mariner. *Thomas Norris*, late of the parish of *St. Paul Shadwell* in the County of *Middlesex*, Mariner.

The following Persons being Fugitives for Debt, and beyond the Seas on and before the first of January 1747, and having surrendered themselves to the Goal at *Horsham* in the County of *Sussex*, hereby give Notice, that they intend to take the Benefit of the late Act of Parliament made in the Twenty-first Year of the Reign of his present Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for Relief of Insolvent Debtors, at the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, to be held for the said County, which shall happen next after Thirty Days from the Publication hereof, viz. *Henry Robins*, late of *Bermondsey*, in the County of *Surry*, Gentleman. *Richard Harden*, late of *Bond Stables*, in the City of *London*, Victualler.

The following Person being a Fugitive for Debt, and beyond the Seas on or before the first of January 1747, and having surrendered himself to the Keeper of the Poultry Compter in the City of *London*, hereby gives Notice, that he intends to take the Benefit of the late Act of Parliament made in the Twenty-first Year of the Reign of his present Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for Relief of Insolvent Debtors, at the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the City of *London*, which shall happen next after thirty Days from the Publication hereof, viz. *Robert Abell*, late of *Deptford*, in the County of *Kent*, Fisherman.

The following Persons being Prisoners for Debt in the King's Bench Prison, in the County of *Surry*, hereby give Notice, that they intend to take the Benefit of the late Act of Parliament made in the Twenty-first Year of the Reign of his present Majesty King George the Second, intituled, An Act for Relief of Insolvent Debtors, at the next General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the County of *Surry*, which shall happen next after thirty Days from the Publication hereof, viz. *Digory Eustcott*, late of the Parish of *White Church* in the County of *Devon*, Tanner. *Robert Turner*, late of the parish of *St. Olave's Southwark*, in the County of *Surry*, Felt-maker and Dealer.

N. B. If any Person in the foregoing List of Prisoners shall find, on the Perusal of this Gazette, that there is any Error, such Error shall, upon Notice, be rectified in the next Gazette Gratis.