

Your Majesty's Care in recommending to your Parliament such Measures as may best contribute to the Ease of your Subjects, (consistent with Honour to the Nation) is such an Instance of Paternal Care, as must warm the Breast of every one with a hearty Zeal and Love for your Majesty's Person and Government, who deserves to be a Sharer in the Favours derived from it.

That your Majesty may be long continued a Blessing to these Kingdoms, by a happy Reign over us; and that we may never want a truly Protestant Prince, descended from you, with the like amiable Qualities to sway the British Scepter, is the hearty Prayer of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Bailiffs, and Common Council.

*Copenhagen, Dec. 21, N. S.* On the 17th Instant died Baron Gersdorff, Knight of the Order of Dannebrog, Privy Counsellor of Conference, Secretary to both Orders of Knighthood, Bailiff of Copenhagen, and Grand Bailiff of Zealand; and M. de Pleffe, Son of the late First Minister of that Name, has been appointed Secretary to both Orders of Knighthood in his Room; and he is also appointed Grand Master of the Ceremonies. The 18th being the Birth-day of the reigning Queen, the same was celebrated here with great Magnificence, and all possible Demonstrations of Joy. A Ship newly built, belonging to the Company of General Commerce, was launched that Day, and named the Kingdom's Wish; also a fine Theatre, lately erected for the Use of the Danish Comedians, was then first opened, in the Presence of the Court, and of a very numerous Audience, who were all invited and placed at the King's Expence. After the Comedy, there was a Supper of about 80 Covers at their Majesty's Table, which was accompanied with a Concert of Musick, performed by the Royal Band, and by the Singers of the Opera. There are seven Ships now lying in this Road ready to put to Sea, viz. Two for Tranquebar, two for Mina, and three for the Danish Settlements in America.

*Paris, Jan. 6, N. S.* There is arrived in Provence a large Quantity of Corn, which the King and some Merchants bought in the Levant and in Barbary, to prevent the Scarcity with which that Province, and those of Lanquedoc, Dauphiny, and some others, were threatened.

*Liege, Jan. 7, N. S.* This State received last Saturday a Requisitorial Letter from the Duke of Aremberg, to demand a Passage for the Regiment of Los Rios, two Companies of Grenadiers, and one Battalion of Aremberg; on which the Regency dispatch'd the same Day a Commissary to meet and conduct the said

Troops through this State, and to furnish them with all Necessaries. On Sunday the 5th Instant the Regiment of Los Rios arrived at Ochain on the Borders of this Territory, and the Battalion of Aremberg was at Soy near the Confines of Luxembourg: Every Thing was prepared at Huy for their Reception on Monday, but on Sunday the Officer who commanded them received an Express from the Duke of Aremberg, with Orders for the Troops to march back to the Quarters they had before. The French Troops, which marched out of Tilemont, have been replaced by two Battalions of Bouffler Walon, who came from Menin.

*Brussels, Jan. 8, N. S.* The Regiment of Picardy, which was relieved at Louvain by that of Royal Boufflers, and a Battalion of the Regiment of the old Marine, passed last Monday through this City in their Way to Mons; and 18 Battalions from the Side of Mons and Valenciennes, passed on Monday last through Louvain for Tilemont.

*Whitehall, January 7.*

The King has been pleased to appoint the most Reverend Father in God, Mathew, Archbishop of York, his Majesty's High Almoner.

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The King has been pleased to order a Congé d'Elire to the Archdeacon and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Landaff, empowering them to elect a Bishop of that See, the same being void by the Translation of the Right Reverend Father in God Dr. John Gilbert to the See of Salisbury. And also his Majesty's Letter, recommending to the said Archdeacon and Chapter, the Reverend Edward Cresset, Master of Arts, to be by them elected Bishop of the said See of Landaff.

*Whitehall, December 23, 1748.*

*Whereas it has been represented to the King, That an Anonymous Letter, dated the 19th Instant, was, by the Penny-Post, sent to, and received by, Merchant Franco, over-against the East India Warehouse, Fenchurch-street, requiring him to put the Sum of Ten Guineas behind the Five Mile Stone in the Essex Road on Sunday Morning; and threatening him, that if the same was not complied with, his House should be destroyed, or himself murdered: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Author or Authors of the said Letter, is pleased to promise His most gracious Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices, so as he or they be apprehended and convicted thereof.*

**HOLLES NEWCASTLE.**

*And as a farther Encouragement, the said Mr. Franco does hereby promise a Reward of Fifty Pounds to any Person or Persons making such Discovery as aforesaid, to be paid on the Conviction.*

Tho. Adams,  
for Abraham and Jacob Franco.

Whitehall,