

The humble ADDRESS of the right honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, the 20th day the 20th of November, 1748.

WE your majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, return your majesty our humble thanks for your most gracious speech from the throne.

The joy which all your faithful subjects feel on your majesty's safe and happy return into this Kingdom, is incapable of any addition; but it gives us at this time a peculiar satisfaction, as it is accompanied with a general peace, effluated by your majesty's prudence and clemency, and with the concurrence of all your allies. On the successful conclusion of this great work, we heartily congratulate your majesty, and with the utmost thankfulness, acknowledge your wisdom and indefatigable labours in carrying on the late just and necessary war, entered in order supporting the liberties of Europe, and securing the independency and most essential interests of this Kingdom. We are equally sensible of the tender regard your majesty has shewn for your people, in the re-establishment of the public tranquillity.

We cannot be ignorant of the many difficulties which must have attended this important and extensive negotiation; and we look upon it as a great instance of your majesty's vigilant and active care for the public welfare, that it has been brought to perfection, in concert with, and with the concurrence of to many powers, in so short a time.

With hearts full of duty and affection, we offer our thanks to your majesty for your paternal goodness, in considering with so much tenderness the burdens of your subjects, and in taking the first opportunity to give them ease, and to enable them to reap the benefits of the pacification. Excited by your gracious example, and our love to our country, we assure your majesty of our cheerful and hearty concurrence in all such measures as may tend to perfect what your majesty has so prudently begun; may improve our trade and commerce; promote quiet and harmony at home; and render the blessings of peace, under the divine protection, general and lasting to your people. In doing this, we will never fail to have the utmost attention to the honour of your majesty's crown, the stability of your throne, and the safety of your Kingdoms.

We have a just sense of the distinguishing behaviour of your majesty's forces by sea and land, during the war. We look upon them as an honour and strength to their country; and we applaud that goodness which your majesty has expressed, in recommending such of them as cannot now be employed, to the favour and protection of parliament. Your majesty's sentiments concerning the naval force of this Kingdom are highly worthy of a king of Great Britain, who has the honour and interest of this nation entirely at heart; and the signal success that has attended it in the war, as well as the consequences to be derived from it for maintaining the peace, cannot fail to give the necessity of giving the utmost attention to the support and encouragement of the fleet.

Permit us, Sir, to make use of this happy occasion of approaching your royal throne, to give your majesty the strongest assurances of our inviolable duty and fidelity to your sacred person, and our zeal for the preservation of the Protestant succession in your illustrious house, the great bulwark of our religion and liberties. To these principles we will always steadfastly adhere; and we faithfully promise your majesty, to exert our utmost endeavours to support you in maintaining that issue, which your majesty has restored to your Kingdoms; as well as to preserve and cultivate the most perfect correspondence and union with the friends and allies of Great Britain; and to promote the glory and happiness of your reign.

His Majesty's most gracious A. S. W. L. R. B.

My Lords,

I Thank you for this dutiful and affectionate address; The satisfaction you have so unanimously expressed in the measures I have taken, is particularly agreeable to me; and you may be assured, that both in war and in peace, my great aim has been, and always shall be, the advancement of the true interests of my people, and the support of my allies.

December 1. It is said, that the right honourable the Lord Chancellor has resigned the seals; and that he will be appointed President of the Council; that Sir Dudley Ryder, Knt. will be made Lord Chancellor; William Murray, Esq. be made Attorney-general; and the Hon. Charles Yorke, Esq. be made Solicitor-general.

A fleet of war is ordered to sail to Brest, and take under her convoy two vessels laden with provisions, for the use of the men of war and transports, who are to bring the forces from Cape Breton.

We learn from Paris, that the conduct of the young pretender embarrassed the court extremely; his most Christian majesty has dispatched thereupon an express to the Pope, as the young Pretender also did to his father, and upon the return of these, this affair will be decided; tho' there are indeed other letters, which say, that he has already quitted Brabant.

According to the last advices from Brussels, the last convention for completing the evacuation in the Low Countries, agreeably surprized every body there, as it was signed at a time when people were very apprehensive that the new difficulties which had arisen would occasion a long obstruction of that measure.

Yesterday came the melancholy news, that the Neptune, Whorby, bound from Chetter to Dublin, is lost. She had near a hundred passengers on board, who we hear all perished, together with the crew.

The Hope, Cornelius, from America, bound to Amsterdam was lost the 16th inst. off Weymouth.

The above ship mounted 30 guns, carried 100 men, had been out near three years, and was reckoned worth 100,000 l.

Letters from Hamburg pretend us with a gloomy representation of the affairs in the North, and mentions two alliances forming to counterbalance each other.

ANNAPOLIS.

By Capt. Hull we have an Account of the safe Arrival in England of the following Ships, from Severn, Patagonia, and Patuxent; viz. the Winchester, Capt. Cornish; the Newswell, Capt. Creagh; the William, Capt. Wood; the Penny and Long, Capt. Johns; the Eastern Branch, Capt. Chevalier; the Prince Frederick, Capt. Spence; the Sea-Horse, Capt. Rendall; and the Sunnwith, Capt. Crawley. And two other Ships, the Sea Nymph, and Capt. Higgins, from Possowmack.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

To be SOLD by the Subscriber, at PUBLIC VENTURE, ON Thursday the 11th Day of May, at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, at the Sign of the Duke of Cumberland in Annapolis, the Snow Endeavour, William Palmer now Commander, Burthen about 100 Tons; with all her Materials and Appurtenances; viz.

The Hull, and all her Masts and Yards, as they now stand; one spare Main-top-mast, one spare Fore-yard, all her standing and running Rigging, some spare small Cardage, one Brass Compass, two Wooden ditto, two Pumps with Brass Chambers, two Main-sails, two Main-top-sails, two Top-gallant-sails, two Fore-sails, one Fore-top-sail, two Top-mast-Steer-sails, one lower Steering sail, one Try sail, One Main-top-mast Stay-sail, one Fore-top-mast Stay-sail, one 1/2 lb. one Sprit-sail, four Anchors, one 9 Inch Cable about half worn, one 10-inch ditto less worn, one Piece of Junk, Part of a Hawse-let, one Iron Hearth, one Iron Pot, one Kitch-pot, one Sauce-pan and Frying pan, two Axes, two Hammers, Chisels, and Gimlets, a Saw, Auzer, a small Quantity of Nails, Bolts, and old Iron; about two Tbn. of Water-cask, six Pair of double Screws, one Speaking Trumpet, one Lanthorn &c. Also all her Cargo, consisting of: 190 Barrels of Pitch, 50 Barrels of Turpentine, 328 Barrels of full-bound Tar, and 328 Barrels of single-bound Tar, 5000 Hoghead Staves, and about 2000 Reeds.

The Vessel and her Appurtenances may be viewed at the Dock, any Time before the Sale, where the Inventory is to be seen, and the Captain to be Spoke with.

The Vessel and all her Materials will be sold together; and the Cargo in Lots, of about 30 Barrels each; or at such Man- be Ridders Hall by JONAS GREEN.