

erates in the War. Such a Concert will be the Basis of great Utility and Advantage to the common Cause.

"We are truly sensible of your Majesty's Goodness, in laying before us these your salutary Views and Intentions; and we go with the greatest Zeal and Firmness assure your Majesty, that we are fully determined to support you in the steady Prosecution of them, and in carrying on such Measures, as it shall be necessary for Great-Britain to pursue in this critical Con-
juncture.

"May the Divine Providence prosper your Majesty's Counsels and Arms with Success, equal to the Justice of your Cause. For our Part, we beg Leave to give your Majesty the strongest Assurances, that we have the Honour and Safety of your Majesty, the Security and true Interest of your Kingdoms, and the happy Issue of this just and necessary War, entirely at Heart; and will at the Hazard of our Lives and Fortunes stand by and defend your Majesty, your Royal Family, and Government, against the ambitious and destructive Designs of France, and of any other Power, that shall attempt to attack or disturb them."

To which Address, his Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer.

My Lords,

I Heartily thank you for this dutiful and affectionate Address. The Zeal which you have so seasonably expressed for my Person and Government, for carrying on this just and necessary War, and for the vigorous Support of my Allies, gives me the greatest Satisfaction: And your Unanimity in doing this, cannot fail to add greatly to the good Effects of it, both at home and abroad."

The Commons Address ran in the same Style with that of the Lords, and concluded, "That his Majesty might depend on their ready and chearful Assistance."

Jan. 15. On the 22d of December, Capt. Williamson, in the Great-Britain Privateer, took in Lat. 38, 40, a Spanish Advice-Ship, bound from Havanna for Cadiz, having on board a considerable Sum of Money in Dollars, besides Cocoa, Sugar, Cedar and Mahogany, and Spanish Snuff.

Jan. 20. Yesterday strict Orders were sent from the Lords of the Admiralty, for all the Ships of War in the Kingdom to be victualled and mann'd forthwith.

The same Day their Lordships ordered all the Artificers employed in building and repairing the Men of War, in the several Dock-Yards, to work double Tides, for greater Expedition.

Jan. 20. We hear, that Admiral Vernon will speedily have the Command of one of his Majesty's Fleets of very considerable Force.

The Mercury Privateer, Capt. Payne, has taken and carried into Gibraltar, the St. John Baptista, bound from Bayonne to Cadiz, laden with Butter, Beef, and Camblents.

A French Brig. about 50 Tons, laden with Mill stones and Window-Glass, is taken by the Bell Privateer, Capt. Le Coque, of Alderney: and carried into that Island the 12th Instant.

Jan. 27. A Petition from several Merchants of London has been laid before the Parliament, praying that Encouragement may be given to find out a North-West Passage to the E. Indies.

The Count Villard, of 400 Tons, bound from Martinico to France, is taken by the Shoreham Privateer, Capt. Millegan, in Company with two others; and when this Account came a way, the Shoreham was in Chase of two other French Ships.

A Dutch Dogger from Havre de Grace for Bayonne, with Bale-Goods and Copper, is taken by the Salamander Privateer, Capt. Harwood, and carried into Kingale.

Capt. Organ Furnell, late of the Lyon Privateer, is arrived at Britol, who left St. Malo on Tuesday last; and says, that a few Days before, their Privateers had brought in were the

—, Faulkner, and the —, Young, both from the Mediterranean; and a Ship called the Antigua Packet.

Jan. 31. They write from Lifton, that the last English Fleet which sailed from thence, had on board upwards of 18000 Pipes of Port Wine. And

That the King of Portugal is surprizingly recovered.

Capt. Geary, of the Chester Man of War, chased a French Privateer of 16 Guns and 130 Men, within Reach of the Fortifications of Ushant: Upon firing the third Broad-side of the Chester, the Privateer went down, and the whole Crew perished. They fought under Cover, and not one of them was seen. The Chester had her Main-mast wounded, and received several Shot in her Hull.

The Press-Warrants are ordered to be issued, for impressing able-bodied Land-men; to bear Date the 25th of April next.

Feb. 2. We hear that General Handasyde is to have the Command of 10000 English and Swiss Forces, which are to be sent to assist the King of Sardinia.

We are also assured, that Admiral Rowley has sent Word, that he is in Pursuit of the French and Spanish Fleets in the Mediterranean; and hopes to give a good Account of them.

On Monday the Company of his Majesty's Ship the Romney, received their Prize-Money for the Nostra Signiora del Rosario, a Spanish Ship taken by the said Man of War; which amounted to 104*l.* each private Man. The Romney took 29 Prizes, while on her Cruise in the Mediterranean, &c. amounting in all to 200*l.* each Fore-mast Man.

Feb. 5. They write from Barkway in Hertfordshire, that on Friday last, as a Labourer belonging to Mr. Ramant, was turning up some Dung, he found a large Plate of Silver, about the Bigness of a Sheet Almanack; but not knowing what it was, he stuck it in the Thatch of an adjacent Out-house, where his Master found it the next Morning; and seeing it was Silver, ordered the Man to make a further Search, in doing which he found several valuable Pieces of Plate, and amongst the rest an Image weighing about three Pounds, supposed to be Gold.

We hear a great Number of Foot are ordered to be raised, for the better Protection of the American Colonies.

It is reported, that when the last Letters came away from Madrid, the Queen of Spain was so ill, that the Extreme Unction had been administered to her.

Upwards of 200 Foot Forces are ordered to be sent to Annapolis-Royal, with all Expedition, for the better Defence of that Place.

This Morning arrived two Holland, and two Flanders Maib, by which it is said there is certain Advice, that the Queen of Hungary was happily delivered of a Prince, and that they are both in a fair Way of doing well.

Feb. 7. It was thought Yesterday, that the Right Hon. the Earl of Orford was much better; but last Night his Lordship relapsed, and continues dangerously ill.

Plymouth, Jan. 16. A Ship of about 200 Tons, supposed to be Dutch, was lately lost at Roy, and all the Crew drowned. And we hear from Whiteand Bay that the Maryland Merchant was got off; but before she could be brought into Port, a Gale of Wind arose and da.h'd her to Pieces.

Kirby-Lansdown, in Wiltshire, Jan. 24. The Snow in this Part of the Country has been so deep, that some Hundreds of Sheep and other Cattle have been lost; and People have been hindered from coming to Market for two Weeks past. A Clothier of this Town was lost in the Snow, last Friday: But within these two Days the Snow is in a great Measure melted, and the Roads are become passable.

Perimouth, Feb. 4. Yesterday a 20 Gun Ship and a Sloop, with several Engineers on board, sailed for the Capets, to search for, and try the Possibility of weighing up the Victory.

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