

MARYLAND GAZETTE

Containing the freshest Advices, Foreign and Domestic.

WEDNESDAY, March 23, 1748.

Week before last arrived at New-York, two Vessels from London, by whom we have Advice, that the Snow Sally, Capt. ... bound from London to Philadelphia, is taken, and ... Smyter put back to Plymouth; that the Scarborough ... of War from New-York, on board of which was Lady ... was fast arrived at Limerick in Ireland, having ... smart Engagements in her Passage. They brought ...

this Purpose, I am now actually concerting the necessary Measures with my Allies, whose Interests I am determined to adhere to and support. Let us be in Readiness, in case the Negotiations should fail of the desired Effect, to convince our Enemies how much they are mistaken, if they vainly imagine that Great-Britain and her Allies will submit to receive the Law from any Power whatsoever; and demonstrate to the World, that We will decline no Difficulty or Hazard for the Preservation of the common Liberty, and Our own Independency and essential Interests.

MAJESTY's most gracious SPEECH to both Houses of Parliament, on Thursday the 12th of November, 1747.

My Lords and Gentlemen, One of my principal Views in calling the Parliament was, that I might receive the most clear and certain Information of the Sense of my People on the present Posture of Affairs, I was desirous to meet you as early as your own Convenience, as well as of the Public, would admit.

My Lords and Gentlemen, The Necessity of adequate Supplies appears from what has been already mentioned; the proper Estimates for the Services of the ensuing Year shall be laid before you, and I desire you to grant me such Supplies, as your own Security and lasting Welfare, and the present critical and important situation of Affairs require. You may depend on their being applied only to the Purposes for which they shall be given; and if by the falling out of Events, any saving can be made, it shall be duly accounted for.

By the Advice of my Parliament, I enter'd into the War with Spain, in order to vindicate and secure the Trade and Commerce of my Subjects. By their Advice also, and in Conformity to my Engagements, I undertook the Support of the Queen of Hungary, and of the just Rights of the Emperor of Austria. In Resentment for this Conduct, to necessary Interest of my own Kingdoms, and of the antient Allies of France, not only declared War against me, but also supported an Unnatural Rebellion within the Kingdoms. In carrying on this just and necessary War, I have the most chearful and vigorous Support from my Parliament. And though the Success has not been answerable to our just Expectations in the Low Countries, yet it must be ascribed to the Honour of this Nation, that no Part of the Kingdoms can be imputed to us.

My Lords and Gentlemen, If any farther Provision shall be found expedient to render more effectual the good Laws lately made for the Security of the present Establishment, extinguishing the Spirit of Rebellion, and for the better civilizing, improving, and reducing into Order, any Part of the United Kingdoms, I depend on your known Affection to Me and to your Country, seriously and early to set about so good a Work. I will only add, that there never was a Conjunction in which Unanimity, Firmness, and Dispatch were more necessary for the Safety, Honour, and true Interest of Great-Britain.

By signal Successes which it has pleased God to grant Us at Sea, we made the Enemy feel the Weight of Our Naval Power, and to their great Loss, and the real and solid Advantage of this Nation. This has appeared most remarkably in the Success of my Fleet this last Year, which have tended to the Honour of the British Flag, than to the Reduction of the Maritime Force and Commerce of France.

The humble ADDRESS of the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, Die Jovis, 12th November, 1747.

Most gracious Sovereign, WE Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to return Your Majesty our humble Thanks for Your most gracious Speech from the Throne.

The Government of the United Provinces has once more re-asserted that Consistency which will give great Strength to the Cause, cement more firmly the Friendship between the Kingdom and that of the Republic, and be a lasting Security of inseparable Interests; one great Effect of this happy Alliance in Holland, has already appeared in the vigorous Declaration lately made by the States General to the Court of France, and the Orders given by them, for the committing of Hostilities every where against the French King and his Subjects.

The generous and public-spirited Views, with which Your Majesty entered into this just and necessary War, are evident to the whole World; and Your People have been the more strongly animated to support it, by the Part Your Enemies have taken, not only to overturn the Liberties of Europe in general, but to disturb Your Majesty's Government, the solid Foundation of our Happiness. The Events of War are always uncertain; but at the same Time that we see, with the greatest Concern, the Misfortunes which have happened in the Low Countries, we gratefully acknowledge Your Majesty's Goodness and Justice, in vindicating the Honour of this Nation, from any Imputation arising from thence.

Overtures for a general Pacification have lately been made on the Part of France, and tho' some of the Terms proposed were such as could not be approved, yet as I have had in View the Aim but to bring about a safe and honourable Peace, I have given the utmost Inclination to facilitate it in Conjunction with my Allies, and a Congress is actually agreed to be held at Chapelle, whither the several Ministers will soon repair. All the Powers concerned, will bring with them the same good Intentions, to effectuate this great Work on just and reasonable Conditions, which I sincerely have.

With unteigned Joy, we congratulate Your Majesty on the final Successes with which it has pleased God to bless Your Arms by Sea. No Loss can be more sensibly felt by Your Enemies, and no Advantage tend more to the Glory and real Benefit of Your Kingdoms, whose Commerce and Naval Strength must be increased in Proportion, as that of France is diminished.

In this Situation, I am confident you will agree in Opinion with me, that it is necessary to be vigilant and attentive to the Affairs of the Kingdom, and that there can be no Reason to expect a good Event, by being timely prepared to carry on a vigorous and effectual War; I therefore rely on your hearty and powerful Supports to enable Me to prosecute the War, in case the Offers of our Enemies, in not agreeing in just and reasonable Terms of Accommodation, should render it unavoidable. For

We cannot approach Your Royal Person on this Occasion, without expressing our highest Satisfaction in those Events which have happened in Holland, in Favour of a Prince allied to Your Majesty by the nearest Ties, descended from an illustrious House, in which the Defence of public Liberty has been Hereditary, and which has produced Deliverers of this Country, as well as of that Protestant Republic. From this happy Association, we cannot but promise ourselves the strictest Union of Councils between Your Majesty and the States General; and an additional Strength in pursuing such Measures as shall be most