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To the Author of the LONDON MAGAZINE.

SIR,

NOT doubting but the following list of the Earth-
 quakes, that have happened in England, as record-
 ed in our ancient historians, may be of use to you,
 I have herewith sent it; and am

Your humble servant, &c.

Anno Domini 974. A very great earthquake throughout England.

1048. May 1. A very great earthquake in Worcestershire, Warwickshire, Derby, and many other places. A great mortality among the cattle, & ignis ærius, vulgo dictus fluvaticus, in Derbyshire & provincia, & quibusdam aliis provinciis, villas & segetes multas ustulavit.

1067. — Terram tus ingens totam Angliam exterruit, 3^o Idus Aug. borrendo miracula ut ædificia omnia eminus reslident, & tæx præst no more residerent.

1070. March 27. A general earthquake in England; and a frost from Nov. 1, to the middle of April.

1081. April 25. One — cum gravi terræ gemitu.

1089. Aug. 11. About three o'clock a very great one all over England.

1110. A very great earthquake at Shrewsbury.

1117. Dec. 11. At midnight, terra mota est, & luna versa in sanguinem.

1119. Sept. 29. An earthquake in many places in England, particularly in Gloucestershire and Worcestershire.

1122. July 25. A great one over all Somersetshire, and in Gloucestershire.

1129. A great one on St. Nicholas's day.

1133. An earthquake in England, which threw down many houses; And fire burst out of the earth.

1142. Dec 25. One felt thrice at Lincoln, and about the northern parts.

1145. Jan. 25. At midnight a great one.

1158. One in many parts of England; and the Thames dried up at London.

1165. Jan. 25. One in Ely, Norfolk, and Suffolk, which threw people down, and made the bells ring.

1185. April 15. A great earthquake — fere per totam Angliam, qualis ab initio mundi in terra illa non erat auditus; petra enim scissa sunt; domus lapideæ ceciderunt; ecclesia Lincolnensis Metropolitana scissa est a summo dorsum.

1187. An universal one, great and horrible — ita ut etiam in Anglia, ubi raro contigit, multa ædificia subvertentur.

1199. May 22. A great one in Somersetshire, and Norfolk, — ita ut stantes prostrarentur.

1233. One at Huntingdon, and other places.

1247. Feb. 13. An earthquake chiefly felt in the Thames.

1248. Dec. 24. A dreadful one in Somersetshire, — quod ab initio mundi est inauditum.

1250. Dec. 10. One at St. Alban's, and parts adjacent.

1274. One in England.

1275. Sept. 11. One all over England, chiefly in the south and western parts, which threw down St. Michael's church at Glastonbury.

1380. May 21. An earthquake all over England, which much shook and shattered some of the buildings in Canterbury.

1382. May. A general earthquake, which did much mischief. — The Friday following, one less. — The Saturday following, one felt mostly by water.

1563. Sept. One in divers places of the realm, especially in Lincolnshire and Northamptonshire.

1571. One in Herefordshire, which removed the earth.

1575. Feb. 26. Great earthquakes at York, Worcester, Gloucester, Bristol, Hereford, and counties adjoining.

1580. April 6. A very great one in London, and almost generally throughout England.

May 1. One in Kent.

1692. A great one within the memory of man. — Many others undoubtedly there have been, which are not mentioned by our Historians.

1665. One at Oxford.

1677. At Wolverhampton, in Staffordshire,

1678. In Staffordshire and Derbyshire.

1680. In Somersetshire.

1683. At Oxford, and in Lincolnshire.

1696. At Falmouth.

1703. In the north of England.

1727. In Cheshire and Wales, and almost all along the western coast.

1732. In Argyleshire, Scotland, and all along the west coast of Great Britain, but to no great breadth.

1734. Oct. 25. At Portsmouth, Milton, and most parts of Hampshire; also at Lewes in Sussex, and all along the coast for 20 miles.

1736. April 3, and May 1. At Otchil Hills, in Scotland.

1739. Dec 30. In the West Riding of Yorkshire.

1747. July 1. At Taunton, and 40 miles round.

1749. In Scotland.

1750. One at London, and the neighbouring parts, on Feb. 8. And another very violent one on March 8. Also on the 18th of the same month, one at Portsmouth, Gosport, and in the Isle of Wight.

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L O N D O N.

A BILL, for the better collecting the duties on tobacco, and preventing frauds in his majesty's customs, having been prepar'd and agreed on by the merchants at home, for the consideration of the last parliament, but, for want of time refer'd to the next; we hope the following, being the purport of it, will be acceptable to the public.

I. EVERY collector or other officer, clearing a ship in any of his majesty's colonies, shall deliver to the master of the said ship, a manifest of the loading thereof, which shall contain the packages, marks, and numbers, of all the tobacco in the said ship, with the weight and tare of each package of tobacco therein; besides which manifest, he shall by next opportunity, after clearing any ship with tobacco, send a copy of the manifest to the port of London; penalty for omission or sending a false manifest to be

II. Every master of a ship bringing tobacco from any of his majesty's colonies, shall, when he reports his ship, deliver to the collector of the port where he reports (who shall deliver the same to the landwaiters appointed to the ship) the manifest of the loading of his ship, which, he received from the collector or other officer in America; he omitting to do this, or altering, or erasing, the burnt or other marks on any package in his ship, or permitting the same to be done, shall for every offence pay the sum of _____ pounds.

III. Every landwaiter, weighing tobacco at importation, shall enter into his book the marks, numbers, and weights, contained in the manifest delivered him by the collector, as is now done and practised in the port of London.