

and other Justices of his Majesty's Courts of King's-Bench and Common-Pleas at Westminster; and to the Lord Chief Baron and other Barons of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer, praying Relief thereupon; to which Complaint the said Justices, in Pursuance of the Order of the said Justice and Barons, dated the fifteenth Day of June, 1723, did put in their Answer; and on the nineteenth Day of the said Month of June, the said Justices and Barons, three or more of them, did (amongst other things) order and direct, that it should be referr'd to their Register, to inspect and examine the two Inventories deliver'd in by the said Mr. Aislaby to the Trustees, and the Trustees Report thereon, to the Court of Directors, and in the Presence of both Parties, their respective Agents or Solicitors, to compute particularly the clear Value of all the Estates which did belong to the said Mr. Aislaby, or any in Trust for him, at the Time they were yeelded in the Trustees by the said Act, or at any Time afterwards; and also to compute the clear Value of all the Estates which belong'd to the said Mr. Aislaby, or to any in Trust for him, upon the first Day of October, 1718, and to report the same specially and particularly; and in taking the said Account, Mr. Aislaby might be examin'd upon Interrogatories; and if in taking the said Account, or making the said Computation, any thing special should happen, the Register was to report the same from Time to Time to the said Court, that so proper Directions might be given thereupon; and either Side was to be at Liberty to resort to the said Justices and Barons, for further Direction; and in Obedience to the said Order, there have been divers Meetings of the said Trustees, three or more of them, and the said John Aislaby, before the said Register at the said Trustees publick Office at the South-Sea House: And in Pursuance of a subsequent Order of the said Justices and Barons, dated the 26th of June, 1723, divers Persons have been examined touching the said Premises; and the said Account and the Computations so directed, have been so far proceeded in, as that the same are likely to be finally settld and adjusttd in a short Time.

And the Trustees farther report, that the Coheirs and Administratrixes of James Craggs the Elder, in the said Act named, having deliver'd to the said Trustees such Particulars or Inventories, as by the said Act were requir'd,

quir'd, the said Trustees did likewise carefully peruse and examine the same, and did also examine several Persons in Relation to the Estates which did belong to the said *James Craggs*, at the respective Periods of Time, in the said Act in that Behalf mention'd, which the said Trustees did compute according to the best of their Skill; and afterwards, viz. on the 24th of March, 1721, did make their Report to the Court of Directors of the said Company, touching the Premises; and by such Report, did certify to the said Court of Directors, how many and what the Estates were, which they found did belong to the said *James Craggs*, or any in Trust for him, at the Time of his Death, which happen'd on the 16th of March, 1720, and the Values they had computed the same at, at that Time (after all Debts deducted;) also what the Estates were, which they found did belong to him the said *James Craggs*, on the first Day of December, 1719, and the Values they had computed the same at, on the said first Day of December, 1719; and also what would be coming to the said Company as the Balance of the said Account, as near as they could compute the same; but the said Court of Directors disagreeing with the said Report,

Thereupon the Coheirs and Administratrixes of the said *James Craggs* exhibited their Complaint before the said Justices and Barons, in October last; and the said Trustees having put in their Answer thereunto, the said Justices and Barons, on the fifteenth Day of November last, made the like Order as they before had made in the Case of Mr. *Aislaby*; and their said Register has proceeded with the Trustees in making the Computations of Mr. *Cragg's* Estate, in which they have so travell'd; as also in the Accounts of Mr. *Aislaby*, that the same are already compleated, except as to some particular Items submitted to the Determination of the said Justices and Barons.

And the said Trustees do further report to this Honourable House, that at the Time of making their said first Report, the Time limited by the first-mention'd Act, for the entring of Claims on the said Estates, by or for Persons residing or being beyond the Sea, or out of Great Britain, not being determin'd, they then inform'd this Honourable House of such Claims only as had been entered before them, by or for Persons residing in Great Britain; but the Time for entring Claims by or for Persons residing or being beyond the Sea, being now ex-
pir'd,

pir'd, the said Trustees beg Leave to inform this Honourable House, that there have been enter'd before them sev-
enty-two foreign Claims, over and above 1031 Claims
in their said Report mention'd, making the whole
Number of Claims now enter'd before them 1103.

The Multiplicity and Perplexity of the Business that
lays before the said Trustees, but especially the Num-
ber of Claims on the said Estates being so large, en-
gag'd the said Trustees to a constant Attendance; and
having with all Diligence proceeded to enquire and
inform themselves concerning the Truth and Validity
of the respective Debts or Interests claim'd, they
have, since the twenty-fifth Day of March, 1722, ex-
amin'd and enquir'd into 327 of the said Claims; and
the Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company, upon
the several Reports that have been laid before them
concerning the same, have agreed in Opinion with the
said Trustees. The said several Reports of the said
Trustees, so agreed to by the said Court of Directors,
have been since enter'd in Books, with such Resolu-
tions of the said Court of Directors; and the several
Claimants have, for the most part, in such Books,
sign'd their respective Acquiescences in such Resolu-
tions.

And the said Trustees crave Leave further to re-
present, that in Regard of the great Number of Claims
enter'd on the said Estates, and of the Difficulty the
said Trustees meet with in adjusting and settling di-
vers of them, which depend upon Accounts of long
standing, and of great Value; it will be impossible to
examine into the same within the respective Times li-
mited in the said last mention'd Act, in that Behalf; and
that a further Time is necessary to enable them to
finish the whole: Which they do most humbly submit
to the Consideration of this Honourable House. The
said Trustees think it their Duty to acquaint this Ho-
nourable House, that there hath not yet been deliver'd
to them, either by Mr. Turner, or on the Behalf of Mr.
Grigby, who is since deceas'd, any Account of such
Parts of their personal Estate, as by them or their
Order, was dispos'd of after the first Day of June, 1720, for
Payment of their Debts, or of all their Debts, as have
been discharg'd therewith, or any Account of such per-
ishable Goods as by them or heir Order were dispos'd of
after the first Day of June, 1720, with the Values or
D d Amounts

Amounts thereof, and how the same have been apply'd or dispos'd of.

The said Trustees also humbly shew, that as they first proceeded to the Sale of the Houshold Goods and other personal Estates of the said late Directors, and others, as being most liable to spoil or damage, so they have begun to dispose of their Lease-hold Estates, as being some of them at large Rents, and untenanted, and so rather Charges on the particular Estates to which they belong'd, than an Advantage. That they have also proceeded to the Sale of some of the real Estates of the said late Directors and others, wherein no Claims have been enter'd, or whereon the Claims so enter'd, have been heard and determin'd; and are now ready to sell several others of them; and in order to the Sale of the Residue of the said Estates, have directed the respective Titles to the same, to be abstracted, and have given Orders to their respective Receivers to transmit to them exact Particulars of the several Estates within their respective Receipts, so that by such Abstracts and Particulars, they may know what Interest they have in, and what is the Nature and Value of the several Estates to be sold or dispos'd of.

The Trustees observe, that as at the Time of their making their said former Report, by Reason of several Difficulties therein set forth, they could not then make any certain Computation of what the said real Estates might be worth, or what the clear Produce thereof might be, so they are still incapacitated to make any certain Computation thereof; because, as they have great Reason to believe, several Contrivances were form'd, to advance the annual Rents of several of the said Estates, before the same were purchas'd by the said Directors, and others; which being purchas'd by them when they had not Leisure to take due Care in examining into their real Values, they might be deceiv'd; and many of the said Estates having been contracted for at exorbitant Prices, since the first Day of June, 1720, from which Time, the Estates of the said late Directors and others, were vested in the said Trustees, and small Parts only of the Purchase Money paid by them, it remains yet a Doubt whether the said Trustees will be oblig'd to compleat such Purchases, which, if they should not be compell'd to, would prove a confiderable Addition to the Estates vested in the said Trustees.

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They beg Leave lastly, to report, that they are now in a great Forwardness towards clearing with many of the said late Directors, which they had 'e're this compleated, could they have employ'd their Time wholly to that Purpose; but great Numbers of the Claimants having with great Earnestness apply'd to them for the early hearing their several Claims, especially such as were upon Account of Trusts, they were oblig'd to comply with such Applications, and to deviate from the Rule they first propos'd of going through with their several Affairs, and examining into the several Claims on their respective Estates in a regular Course, which they now hope, that for the future they shall be better able to follow.

We also further beg Leave to take Notice, that having inquir'd into all the several Claims on the Estates of William Tillard, Arthur Ingram, John Grigsby, William Morley, Samuel Reade, Richard Horsey, Stephen Child, Sir William Hammond, Sir Jacob Jacobsen, Hugh Raymond, John Turner, Peter De la Porte, Francis Eyles, John Gore, and Thomas Reynolds; and they having severally on their Parts, except Grigsby and Turner, exhibited to us an Account of all such Parts of their personal Estates, as by them or their Order, were dispos'd of after the First Day of June, 1720, and before the Time of exhibiting such Accounts for Payment of their Debts, and of all such Debts as have been discharg'd therewith:

And also another Account of all such perishable Goods as by them or their Orders were dispos'd of after the said first Day of June, 1720; and before the Time of exhibiting such Accounts, with the Values or Amounts thereof, and how the same have been apply'd or dispos'd; and respectively acquainted the said Trustees, that they were ready to, and would forthwith, pursuant to the said first mention'd Act of Parliament, release or convey in due Form of Law, to the said Trustees, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, respectively, all such Right, Title, Interest, Claim and Demand, which they the said Directors, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators or Assigns, might or could have, claim, challenge, or pretend to have, of, in or to the Estates real or personal, which belonged to them respectively, and were by the said Act vested or intended to be vested in the said Trustees: The said Trustees are with all Diligence, proceeding to liquidate and adjust all Matters with the said William Tillard, Arthur Ingram,

Ingram, William Morley, Samuel Reade, Richard Horsey, Stephen Child, Sir William Hammond, Sir Jacob Jacobsen, Hugh Raymond, Peter De la Porte, Francis Eyles, John Gore, and Thomas Reynolds; and hope to go through such Liquidation and Adjustment in a short Time.

Signed,

South-Sea House,
January 14, 1722.

John Eyle
John Rudge,
John Lade,
G. Roberts,
R. Hopkins,
Matt. Lant,
Roger Hudson,
Thomas Crow,
Edm. Halsey.

We now return to the Report mention'd above, deliver'd to the House by Sir John Eyles on the 10th of March.

Report of the Trustees for raising Money on the Estates of the late South-Sea Directors, &c.

THE Trustees crave Leave humbly to represent, That (since the last Report they laid before this Honourable House, of the Effects of their Doings and Proceedings in the Execution of the Trust in them repos'd) the Values of the respective Estates of John Aislabie, Esq; and of the late James Craggs, Senior, Esq; which were then unsettled, and lay depending before the Justices of his Majesty's Court of Kings-Bench and Common-Pleas, and the Barons of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer, for their final Determination, have been adjusted by them; that the Sum of 45126 l. 55. 7 d. was by the said Justices and Barons, decreed to be paid, and accordingly hath been paid, by Mr. Aislabie, to the Cashier of the South-Sea Company, as the clear Value of the Estates, Real and Personal, which belong'd to him, or any in Trust for him, after a Deduction made thereout of the Value of the Estates he had on the first Day of October 1718.

That the Sum of 68920 l. 14 s. was by the said Justices and Barons decreed to be paid, and accordingly hath been paid, by the Administratrixes of the said Mr. Craggs's

Craggs's Estate, to the Cashier of the South-Sea Company, as the clear Value of the Estates, Real and Personal, which belong'd to the said Mr. Craggs, or any in Trust for him, at the Time of his Death, after a Deduction made thereout of the Value of the Estates he had on the first Day of December, 1719.

The laid Trustees crave Leave to take Notice, that they having, in Pursuance of the Directions of this Honourable House, mention'd in their last Report, caused Interrogatories to be exhibited before the Barons of his Majesty's Court of Exchequer, for the Examination of *William Tillard, Arthur Ingram, William Morley, Samuel Read, Richard Horsey, Stephen Child, Esqrs. Sir William Hammond, Sir Jacob Jacobsen, Knts. Hugh Raymond, Charles Joye, Peter De la Porte, Francis Eyles, James Edmundson, Esqrs. Sir Robert Chapman, Bart. John Gore, Esq; Sir William Chapman, Knt. and Bart. Thomas Reynolds, Esq; Sir John Blunt, Bart. Sir Harcourt Masterr,* ~~and~~ *Ambrose Page, and William Astell, Esqrs.* most of the said Persons so interrogated, have put in their respective Answers to the said Interrogatories; and these Answers have been carefully examin'd and compar'd with the Inventories and Accounts deliver'd by the said Persons; and the Trustees are proceeding to exhibit Interrogatories for the Examination of the rest.

The Trustees do farther represent to this Honourable House, That *William Tillard, Col. Hugh Raymond, Thomas Reynolds, Arthur Ingram, John Gore, Francis Eyles, Peter De la Porte, Richard Horsey, Stephen Child, Esqrs. Sir William Hammond, Sir Jacob Jacobsen, Knts. Samuel Read, and William Morley, Esqrs.* being the several Persons whom they in their former Report, mention'd they were proceeding to liquidate and adjust all Matters with, have respectively pass'd through the abovemention'd Examinations, and since that Time, releas'd to the said Trustees their respective Estates, and comply'd with all the Directions of the said Act of Parliament; and that there does not appear to the Trustees any Reason to doubt, but that the said Persons have made a fair Discovery of, and deliver'd up all their Estates and Effects.

That the said Trustees have settled and adjusted the Accounts of the said several Persons, and have paid them respectively the Balances due to them on their Parliamentary Allowances, with Interest thereon, from the twentieth Day of September, 1721, to the Time of such

such Payment, pursuant to the Directions of the Act made for that Purpose. They beg Leave likewise to represent, that they have adjusted Accounts with the Executor of the late Mr. Grigsby, and have paid him the Balance that appear'd to be due on the Allowance made to the said Mr. Grigsby, with such Interest as aforesaid; and that Mr. Edmundson having comply'd with the Directions of the Act of Parliament, as to intitle himself to the Sum allow'd him by the said Act, they have paid him the same with Interest as above. That they have examin'd into the Accounts of, and Claims upon several others of the Persons, whose Estates are by the first-mention'd Act, vested in the said Trustees, so as to be in a great Forwardness towards clearing them. That the Time for entering Claims on the Estates vested in them, having, since their making their last Report to this Honourable House, been prolong'd, there have been enter'd before them forty-four new Claims; and that the Amount of the Sums thereby claim'd, is, about 20000*l.*

They were in Hopes that the Times allow'd by the last Act of Parliament, made for the hearing and determining Claims on the Estates of the late Directors and others, would have prov'd sufficient for going through that Work; but they are now apprehensive, that notwithstanding their constant Application, they shall not be able to do it within the Term prescrib'd by that Act. They beg Leave to acquaint this Honourable House, that they have enquir'd into upwards of six hundred Claims; on all which, they have made their Reports from Time to Time, to the Court of Directors of the South-Sea Company, except some few, which either through the great Importance or Intricacy thereof, or their depending on long Accounts, and other Matters, lying on the Claimants to make out, remain yet unreported.

As the said Trustees in their last Report, could only take Notice, they had begun to sell the real Estates in them vested; they now crave Leave to inform this Honourable House, that they have made a considerable Progress in that, as well as other Branches of their Trust; and have hereunto annex'd an Account, containing First, the Amount of the real Estates sold; Secondly, the Amount of the personal Estates sold and got in; Thirdly, the Amount of the Moncys paid, as well on Claims, and for the Allowances made by Parliament,

as otherwise; distinguishing therein, each particular Person's Estate, as far as the same can at present be done.

Sign'd, March 13, 1723.

*John Eyles,
Thomas Crows,
John Rudge,
Matthew Lant,
Roger Hudson,
Edm. Halsey,
John Lade,
G. Roberts,
R. Hopkins.*

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An Account, containing the Amount of the Sales of the Real and Personal Estates of the late South-Sea Directors, with the Debts and Effects got in, and Payments thereout, to the 12th of February last inclusive.

Names of the Directors, &c.	Amount of the Real Estates sold.	Amount of the Personal Estates sold, with the Debts and Effects got in.			Amount of the Payments on each Estate for Claims, Premiums, Allowances, &c.		
		l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
Sir John Fellowes, Bart.	25560 00 0	127738	04	3	660	04	10
Charles Joyce, Esq;	—	16574	14	3 1/2	195	14	10
William Astell, Esq;	—	2530	09	3	810	07	11
Sir Lambert Blackwell, Bart.	—	6778	11	1	—	—	—
Sir John Blunt Bart.	3686	00	0	25117	17	10	5853
Sir Robert Chaplin, Bart.	29175	00	0	3298	11	8 1/2	2405
Sir William Chapman, Knt.	4580	00	0	5011	03	1	3427
Robert Chester Esq;	28447	00	0	43280	16	4	261
Stephen Child, Esq;	7758	00	0	60536	12	3	16935
Peter De la Porte, Esq;	6000	00	0	25652	15	5	17728
Francis Eyles, Esq;	18713	00	0	28481	02	10	27575
James Edmundson, Esq;	401	00	0	5962	01	10	3857
Edward Gibbon, Esq;	13610	00	0	23471	18	9	11418
John Gore, Esq;	13463	00	0	45668	12	1 1/4	155
Sir William Hammond, Knt.	2256	00	0	10783	03	6	27
Francis Hawes, Esq;	66006	00	0	43450	00	9	70752
Richard Horley, Esq;	—	—	—	32348	06	0 1/2	20018
Richard Houlditch, Esq;	25965	10	0	9451	07	0	12053
Sir Theodore Jamisen, Kt.	56072	00	0	10340	19	7	961
Sir Jacob Jacobson, Knt.	1625	00	0	23946	10	4	4350

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Arthur Ingram, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8430	14	3
Sir John Lambert, Bart.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1043	18	4
Sir Harcourt Master, Knt,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2085	14	7
William Morley, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	490	12	6
Amelrose Page, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5046	00	0
Col. Hugh Raymond,	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14433	00	0
Samuel Read, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	157	00	0
Thomas Reynolds, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10330	00	0
Jacob Sawbridge, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14476	00	0
William Tillard, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	500	00	0
John Turner, Esq;	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21666	00	0
Mr. Knight	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	393768	10	0
Mr. Surman	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	33971	69	4
Mr. Grigsby.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	393768	10	0
Rewmittances by the several Stewards to the 7th of January }		867493	15	4	422503	03	8			
Total paid in on Mr. Alphastie's Estate	—	—	—	—	899465	04	8			
Total paid in on Mr. Craggs's Estate	—	—	—	—	45126	05	7			
Total of the Real Estates sold	—	—	—	—	68920	14	4			
Total of the Personal Estates sold, with the Debts, Cr.	—	—	—	—	1013513	04	7			
					1407180	14	7			

After the Reading of the Title of this Report, the same was order'd to lie on the Table; and then Sir Henry Hoghton, from the Commissioners for forfeited Estates, presented also to the House,

A Report from the Commissioners of the forfeited Estates in Scotland.

YOUR Commissioners and Trustees, in Pursuance of the Powers granted to them by his Majesty's Commission, bearing Date the twenty-first Day of June last, in Virtue of an Act made in the last Session of Parliament, met at Edinburgh immediately after the passing of the said Commission. And finding that, of the Matters committed to their Charge, viz. the determining Claims, the selling the Estates, and settling the Accounts of the Money arising from them, the Power of determining Claims expir'd on the twenty-fifth of March then next, and that a considerable Time would be necessary, after Sale of the Estates, for Payment of the Price into the Exchequer, and issuing Debentures to the Creditors; they thought themselves oblig'd to apply to the finishing, in the first Place, as far as possible, these two Branches of their Work: And accordingly, they have either dismiss'd or affirm'd all the Claims which remain'd undetermin'd before them when they made their last Report to this Honourable House, amounting to the Number of nine hundred and ninety-eight. But the great Number of the said Claims, and Variety of Circumstances attending the same, make it impossible as yet to report the Extent of the Debts affecting the said Estates severally.

They have also, of the thirty Estates which remain'd unsold at that Time, sold nineteen, and the Life-Rent of *Nithsdale*, with Part of the Estate of *Kynachan*, the Names of which, with the respective Prices for which they were sold, are contain'd in the Appendix (N° 1) the Total being sixty-six thousand two hundred and thirty-six Pounds.

The Names of Estates carry'd off by Claims of Property and Grants from the Crown, are contain'd in the Appendix N° 2: and the Names of the Estates remaining unsold, are contain'd in the Appendix N° 3.

Your Commissioners and Trustees have also examined and finish'd such of the Factors Accounts as could be obtain'd during their Stay at Edinburgh, and have order'd all the rest of their Accounts to be ready to be laid

laid before them at their next Meeting. And having a true State of the Reliefs, so far as could be then obtain'd, Care is taken, that Satisfaction be made both to the Publick and the Creditors. And as to those Parts of Estates that have been carry'd off by Claims of Superiority of Property, which are equally chargeable with those that are left in the Possession of your Commissioners and Trustees, where the nett Sums due to Creditors are adjusted, they fix'd the Proportion of the Debts on those Parts of the Estates in the Hands of the Claimants and Superiors.

The above Matters did wholly employ your Commissioners and Trustees Times, though they sat *de die in diem*, from the Beginning of July to the Middle of November last.

As to the State of the Moneys arisen, the Purchasers not having yet fully comply'd with the Terms of their Contracts, by making their Payments into the Exchequer, it is impossible for your Commissioners and Trustees to give a Particular Account of the Produce of each Estate sold. But for the present Satisfaction of this Honourable House, as to the Payments actually made into the Exchequer, and the Issues of Money made therefrom, your Commissioners and Trustees have subjoin'd in the Appendix N° 4, the Account as it stood in the Exchequer, the Beginning of February last.

The compleating the Accounts of the Factors, the finishing the several Contracts made with the Purchasers, the stating the clear Produce, and granting to the Creditors the Remainder of their Debentures, with all other Matters relating to their Trust, will be the Work of the remaining Time, limited by Act of Parliament to your Commissioners and Trustees, and a full State thereof will be the Subject of their final Report.

But the Situation your Commissioners and Trustees are in with Regard to the Estate of *Seaforth*, obliges them to lay the same before this Honourable House; For, notwithstanding all the Endeavours us'd by your Commissioners and Trustees, they have not been hitherto able to obtain Possession, or to levy the Rents and Profits of that Estate: Because, that in Defiance of the Laws, and in Opposition to his Majesty's Government, an arm'd Force has been, and still is kept up there; by whom their Factor was wounded, and his Son kill'd, in endeavouring to levy the Rents of that and of the other Highland Estates under his Care; and a Party of his

Majesty's Troops sent in his Support, was attack'd, and oblig'd to retire; as is fully set forth, in a Memorial annexed to their last Report, to which they crave Leave to refer. And your Commissioners and Trustees humbly apprehend, there will be no Purchasers of that Estate, unless some Remedy be found for effectually securing to them a quiet and peaceable Possession thereof.

All which is humbly submitted to this Honourable House.
Sign'd,

<i>Arthur Ingram,</i>	<i>Robert Munro,</i>
<i>H. Hoghton,</i>	<i>H. Cunningham,</i>
<i>Pat. Haldane,</i>	<i>Denis Bond.</i>

APPENDIX.

Nº 1.

Names of Estates Sold, and for what.

	l. s. d.
<i>Innernity</i> _____	5700 0 0
<i>Bowhill</i> (Part of) _____	250 0 0
(Other Part of ditto) _____	150 0 0
<i>Woodend</i> _____	705 0 0
<i>Burleigh</i> _____	12610 0 0
<i>Drumlochie</i> _____	775 0 0
<i>Glasclune</i> _____	1100 0 0
<i>Grange</i> _____	500 0 0
<i>Balnamoon</i> _____	1537 0 0
<i>Pitscalday</i> _____	936 0 0
<i>Slate</i> _____	21000 0 0
<i>Mekinnon</i> _____	3400 0 0
<i>Avoch</i> _____	200 0 0
<i>Strathglass</i> (or Comar) _____	1600 0 0
<i>Moydart</i> (Part of) _____	1500 0 0
<i>Fairburne</i> _____	1400 0 0
<i>Applecross</i> _____	3550 0 0
<i>Davachmaluath</i> _____	1500 0 0
<i>Carnwath</i> (Part of) _____	5100 0 0
<i>Banton</i> _____	800 0 0
<i>Berlick</i> (Part of Kynachan) _____	423 0 0
<i>Nithsdale</i> (Life-Rent of) _____	1500 0 0
	66236 0 0

Nº 2.

Nº 2.

Names and Yearly Values of Estates, carry'd away by
Claims of Property and Grants from the Crown.

		l. s. d.
Carlops	—	163 6 8
Kirkhouse	—	36 2 2½
Lorn	—	43 4 3½
Lagg	—	424 15 0
Nithisdale (the Fee of)	—	809 19 7½
Prestonhall	—	230 17 11½
Struan	—	320 6 10
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		2028 12 7
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Nº 3.

Names and Yearly Values of Estates unfold, remaining
to the Publick.

		l. s. d.
Ayton	—	323 10 5 1½
	l. s. d.	
Mar	1678 5 8½	1800 0 0 1½
Part of ditto in Ross-shire	121 15 5½	}
Glenmoriston	—	57 13 0 ½
Seaforth	—	2350 14 3½
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		4531 18 11½
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Nº 4.

The Receiver-General for Scotland. Dr.

	l. s. d.
To Cash receiv'd of the Profits, and Sales of the Estates of Winton,	133388 19 4½
Pannure, Kilfyth, and East-Reston.	}
To ditto in Part of Interest	1000 00 0
To ditto on Account of Winton and Pannure	338 13 2½
To ditto receiv'd of the Profits, Sales, and Interests of the other Estates	14835 03 10½
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	149562 16 5½
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<i>Contra.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
By Claims paid on <i>Winton, Pahmure, Kilsyth, and East-Reston.</i>	24521 11 2 ½
By Cash remitted to <i>England</i>	27735 02 3 ½
By <i>ditto</i> paid of Commissioners Salaries and Incidents	12357 02 2 ½
By <i>ditto</i> paid of Salaries to the Officers of the Delegates	2798 19 9 ½
By Cash return'd to <i>Robert Rollo</i>	100 00 0
By <i>ditto</i> paid to <i>John Nairn, Creditor on the Estate of Banmuckburn</i>	400 00 0
By <i>ditto</i> paid to the Countess of Southesque and her Son, out of the Estate of Southesque.	1691 05 11 ½
By Cash in the Exchequer.	29958 15 0 ½
	149562 16 5 ½

The next Day, (March 24) the Call of the House was further adjourn'd to that Day three Weeks, the 14th Day of April next; and then in a grand Committee, the Commons consider'd further of that Part of his Majesty's Speech which relates to the National Debt, and came to a Resolution.

On Wednesday the 25th of March, 1774, the Commons in a grand Committee, went through the Bill for repealing certain Duties therein mention'd, payable upon *Coffee, Tea, Cocoa-Nuts, &c.* and made several Amendments thereto.

The next Day (March 26) a Bill was order'd to be brought in, to prevent Multiplicity of Prosecutions upon an Act made the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of King William the Third, for the more effectual employing the Poor; and then Mr. Farrer reported the Resolution of the grand Committee on the National Debts, viz. That the Duties upon Whale-fins of English catching, in *Greenland*, granted by an Act made Ninth and Tenth *Guliil. III.* and by another Act made 1 *Anno*, shall from and after the 24th Day of June, 1714, cease, determine, and be no longer paid: But after the reading of this Resolution, the same was order'd to be recommitted. This done, the Commons proceeded to take into Consideration the Report from the Commissioners and Trustees of the forfeited Estates in Scotland, which being read, was

order'd to be printed; as were also the several Reports and Representations laid either before this House the last Session, or before the last Parliament.

On Friday the 27th, the Commons, in a Committee of the whole House, consider'd further of that Part of his Majesty's Speech which relates to the National Debt, and came to two Resolutions, which were on Monday the 30th, reported by Mr. *Farrer*, and agreed to as follows, viz.

1. That the Permitting his Majesty's British Subjects trading to the *Greenland Seas*, to import in British Ships, navigated according to Law, Oyl, Blubber, and Whale-fins, taken and caught in the said Seas, without paying any Duties for the same, during the Space of seven Years, will very much contribute to the regaining the *Greenland Trade*, and will encourage Navigation, and promote the Consumption of the Manufactures of this Kingdom.

2. That the Duty of three Pence per Pound upon Whale-fins, granted by an Act of the Ninth and Tenth of *Guliel. III.* and continu'd by subsequent Acts, and made perpetual, be not collected during the said Term of seven Years: And a Bill was order'd to be brought in pursuant to the said Resolutions.

On Tuesday the last Day of *March*, Mr. Speaker was order'd to issue out his Warrant for a New Writ for electing a Burgees for the Borough of *Leverpool* in *Lancashire*, in the Room of *William Cleaveland*, Esq; deceas'd: And then Mr. *Farrer* reported the Amendments made in a grand Committee, to the Bill relating to the Duties on *Coffee, Tea, Cocos Nuts, &c.* which, with other Amendments, being agreed to, the said Bill was order'd to be engross'd.

On Wednesday the First of *April*, Mr. Speaker was order'd to issue his Warrant for a new Writ for the electing a Knight of the Shire for the County of *Sussex*, in the Room of the Honourable *Henry Pelham*, Esq; who had accepted the Office of his Majesty's Secretary at War. Then the Lord *Morpeth* presented to the House a Bill for the better paving and cleansing the Streets in the City of *Wellminster*, and Suburbs thereof, which was receiv'd, read the first Time, and order'd to be read a second Time; and the House having taken into Consideration the Report of the Commissioners and Trustees of the forfeited Estates in *Scotland*, it was thereupon resolved, That it appears to this House, that the Pos-

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session of the Estate of the late Earl of *Seaforth*, attainted of High Treason, has been retain'd by an arm'd Force, and the Rents have been, and still are levy'd by the Friends of the said late Earl, notwithstanding the constant Endeavours of the Factors employ'd by the Trustees of the forfeited Estates, for collecting the same. Hereupon a Bill was order'd to be brought in for the more effectual obtaining Possession of the Estate of William late Earl of *Seaforth*, attainted of High Treason, &c. After which, in a grand Committee, the Bill for enlarging the Time for hearing and determining Claims by the Trustees for raising Money upon the Estates of the late South-Sea Directors, was gone through.

The next Day Mr. Speaker was order'd to issue out his Warrants for two new Writs, one for electing a Burgess for the Borough of *Bridgwater* in the County of *Somerset*, in the Room of *George Doddington*, Esq; who had accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Treasurer of his Majesty's Exchequer; the other for electing a Burgess for the Borough of *Honyton* in the County of *Devon*, in the Room of *William Yonge*, Esq; who had also accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Treasurer of his Majesty's Exchequer. Then the Bill to prevent Multiplicity of Prosecutions upon an Act made the Eleventh and Twelfth of Wil. III. &c. was order'd to be ingross'd; and the ingross'd Bill for Relief of insolvent Debtors, having been read the third Time, was pass'd, and sent up to the Lords. After which the House adjourn'd till that Day sev'n-night, by Reason of the Easter Holy-Days.

On Thursday the 9th of April, Mr. Speaker was order'd to issue out his Warrants for two other new Writs, one for electing a Burgess for the Borough of *Plympton* in the County of *Devon*, in the Room of *Richard Edgecombe*, who had accepted the Office of Vice-Treasurer, Receiver-General, and Paymaster-General of all his Majesty's Revenues in the Kingdom of *Ireland*; the other for electing another Burgess for the said Borough of *Plympton*, in the Room of *George Treby*, Esq; who had accepted the Office of one of the Tellers of the Receipt of his Majesty's Exchequer. Then, upon the Petition of *Richard Edgecombe*, Esq; a Bill was order'd to be brought in to enable him to take in Great Britain the Oath of his Office in *Ireland*, and to qualify himself for the Enjoyment of the said Office. An ingross'd Bill to prevent Multiplicity

city of Prosecutions, &c. was read the third Time, pass'd, and sent up to the Lords; as was also an ingross'd Bill for repealing certain Duties therein mention'd, payable upon Coffee, Tea, Cocoa Nuts, Chocolate, &c.

April the 10th, Mr. *Farrer* presented to the House a Bill for permitting his Majesty's British Subjects to import from the Greenland Seas, in British Ships navigated according to Law, Whale-fins, Oyl and Blubber, Duty free, during the Time thereon mention'd; which was read the first, and order'd to be read a second Time. After this, Mr. Speaker was order'd to issue out his Warrant for a new Writ, for the electing a Burgess for the Town of Newark upon Trent in the County of Nottingham, in the Room of *Richard Sutton*, Esq; who had accepted the Office of one of the Clerks Controllers of his Majesty's Household; and upon the Petition of *George Doddington*, Esq; a Bill was order'd to be brought in to enable him to take in Great Britain the Oaths of Office as Writer of the Tallies and Counter-Tallies, and Clerk of the Pells in the Receipt of the Exchequer in the Kingdom of Ireland, and to qualify himself for the Enjoyment of the said Office. Then a Bill for the more effectual obtaining Possession of the Estate of *William late Earl of Seaforth*, attainted of High Treason, &c. was read a second Time, and a Motion being made, and the Question put, that the Bill be committed, the House happen'd to be so thin of English Members, that the said Question pass'd in the Negative. After this, the House adjourn'd to Monday the 13th.

That Day, after the Dispatch of several private Affairs, on the Petition of *Hugh Viscount Falmouth*, praying, that a Bill, or a Clause in some Bill, be brought in to enable him to take the Oath of Office of Vice-Treasurer, Receiver-General, and Paymaster-General of all his Majesty's Revenues in the Kingdom of Ireland, the said Petition was referr'd to the Committee to whom Mr. *Edgecombe*'s Bill was committed; who, accordingly added to it a Clause pursuant to the Prayer of the said Petition.

The next Day (April 14) the Amendments made to that Bill, having been reported, and agreed to, the said Bill was order'd to be ingross'd; and the Bill to enable *George Doddington*, Esq; to qualify himself, &c. was read a second Time, and committed.

On Wednesday the 15th, the ingross'd Bill to enable *Hugh Viscount Falmouth*, and *Richard Edgecombe*, Esq; to qualify themselves in Great Britain, &c. was read the

third Time, pass'd, and sent up to the Lords. Then Mr. Sergeant Birch, from the Commissioners and Trustees of the forfeited Estates acquainted the House, that they had executed the Powers in England, and Ireland, contain'd in the several Acts which appointed them; and that they had directed him to present to the House their final Report, which he deliver'd in at the Table, and the same being read, was order'd to be printed.

After this, the Commons in a grand Committee, went through the Bill for permitting his Majesty's Subjects to import Duty-free from the Greenland Seas, &c. Whale-fins, Oyl and Blubber, &c. and thereto made several Amendments, which having on the 17th, been reported, and agreed to, the said Bill was order'd to be ingross'd.

The Day before, (Thursday April the 16th) the ingross'd Bill to enable George Doddington, Esq; to qualify himself in Great Britain, for his Offices in Ireland, was read the third Time, pass'd, and sent up to the Lords; as were also two other Private Bills. After this, Mr. Gibbon, from the Committee of Privileges and Elections, reported the Matter as it appear'd to them, and their Resolutions touching the Election for the County of Northumberland, which were agreed to in Substance, as follows, viz. That William Wrighton, Esq; was not duly elected, and that Ralph Jenison, Esq; was duly elected a Knight of that Shire,

On Friday the 17th of April, the Commons agreed to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill entitled, *An Act for the better viewing, searching, and examining of all Drugs, &c.* and then read the third Time, pass'd, and sent up to the Lords, an ingross'd Bill for enlarging the Time for hearing and determining Claims, by the Trustees for raising Money upon the Estates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company and others.

The next Day, (April 18.) Mr. Speaker was order'd to issue out his Warrant for a new Writ for the electing a Burgess for the Borough of Plymouth, in the County of Devon, in the Room of Patee Byng, Esq; who had accepted the Office of Treasurer of his Majesty's Navy.

On Monday the 20th, the Commons having nothing material to do, adjourn'd to Wednesday the 22d, when they pass'd two private Bills; after which they adjourn'd again to Friday the 24th.

On that Day Mr. Speaker was order'd to issue out his Warrant for another new Writ for the electing a Burgess for the Borough of Thirsk in the County of York,

York, in the Room of Thomas Frankland, Esq; who had accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners of his Majesty's Revenues in the Kingdom of Ireland.

The same Day, about Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, the King came to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes seated on the Throne, with the usual State and Solemnity, Sir William Sanderson, Gentleman-Usher of the Black-Rod, was sent with a Message from his Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, his Majesty was pleas'd to give the Royal Assent to,

An Act for repealing certain Duties therein mention'd, payable upon Coffee, Tea, Cocoa-Nuts, Chocolate, and Cocoa-Paste imported; and for granting certain Island Duties in lieu thereof; and for prohibiting the Importation of Chocolate ready made, and Cocoa-Paste, and for better ascertaining the Duties payable upon Coffee, Tea, and Cocoa-Nuts imported; and for granting Relief to Robert Dalzell, late Earl of Carnwath.

2. *An Act to prevent Multiplicity of Prosecutions, upon an Act made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of the Reign of his late Majesty King William III Instituted, An Act for the more effectual employing the Poor, By encouraging the Manufactures of this Kingdom.*

3. *An Act for continuing the Acts for preventing Theft and Rapine upon the Northern Borders of England; and for better regulating of Pilots; and for regulating the Price and Assize of Bread; and for better Encouragement of the making of Sail-Cloth in Great Britain.*

4. *An Act for explaining the Law concerning the Tryal and Admission of the Ordinary Lords of Session.*

5. *An Act for the better viewing, searching, and examining all Drugs, Medicines, Waters, Oyls, Compositions, used, or to be used for Medicines, in all Places where the same shall be expos'd to Sale, or kept for that Purpose, within the City of London or Suburbs thereof, or within seven Miles Circuit of the said City.*

6. *An Act for enlarging the Times for hearing and determining Claims by the Trustees for raising Money upon the Estates of the late Directors of the South-Sea Company, and others; and for reviving and continuing the Provision formerly made against requiring special Bail in Actions or Suits upon Contracts for Stock or Subscriptions between the first Day of December, 1719, and the first Day of December, 1720: And for other Purposes therein mention'd.*

7. *An Act for encouraging the Greenland Fishery.*

8. An Act to explain and amend an Act pass'd in the sixth Year of his Majesty's Reign, Intituled, An Act for ascertaining the Breadths, and preventing Frauds and Abuses in manufacturing Serges, Pladings, and Fingrums; and for regulating the Manufactures of Stockings in that Part of Great Britain call'd Scotland, so far as the same relates to Serges.

9. An Act for repairing the Road leading from Dunchurch in the County of Warwick, to the Bottom of Meriden Hill in the same County.

10. An Act for repairing the Road leading from Stump-Cross in the Parish of Chelmsford in the County of Essex, to Newmarket-Heath, and the Town of Cambridge in the County of Cambridge.

11. An Act for amending the Roads from the Stones End in Southwark, to Highgate at the Entrance of Ashdown Forest in the Parish of East-Grimsted in the County of Sussex, and from Kingston to Burton Common; and also the Lane leading from Woodhatch to Sidlow Mill, and the Lanes call'd Horsehills, Bonehurst alias Boners, and Pettridge-Lanes in the County of Surrey, by enlarging the Terms granted by two former Acts, one of the Fourth and the other of the Sixth Year of his Majesty's Reign.

And to 14 private Bills.

After which his Majesty was pleas'd to make the following most gracious Speech:

My Lords and Gentlemen,

THE Unanimity, Carefulness, and Dispatch with which you have now finish'd every thing I recommended to you at the Opening this Session, are fresh Instances of your Affection to my Person and Government, and cannot fail of contributing, with the Blessing of God in our Endeavours, towards the Establishment of that happy Tranquillity we now enjoy, both at Home and abroad.

Your continuing the like National Force by Sea and Land this Year, as was judg'd necessary by Parliament for the Service of the last, gives me great Satisfaction: You have hereby wisely provided against the Mischiefs from any sudden Shocks to publick Credit; you have provided for the Safety of the Kingdom, and have enabled this Nation to hold among the Powers of Europe, the Rank and Figure due to her Honour and Dignity. Nothing could have been more acceptable to me, than

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your having been able to make that Provision without laying any new or additional Burthens on my People.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I return you my Thanks for the Care and Pains you have taken towards augmenting the Sinking Fund, and improving the publick Revenues by putting them under a stricter Management. I make no Doubt but that the happy Beginning you have made will be attended with such immediate good Consequences, as will encourage you to pursue the Way you have now open'd for a gradual Reduction of the Debt, and for putting the Trade and Navigation of Great Britain on such a Foot, as may not only in some Measure discourage the unjustifiable Encroachments they labour under from some of our Neighbours, but at the same Time, extend her Exportations beyond what has been known in former Ages.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

As the early Recess, which your Diligence and Unanimity has procur'd you, affords you the Opportunity of a longer Retirement into the Country, than the Business of former Sessions has usually allow'd of; I assure myself, that you will carry with you thither, the same Zeal for the publick Good, with which you have been animated in Parliament; and that you will make it your Business to discountenance any Remains there may be yet left of Sedition or Disaffection, and to promote that perfect Harmony and Confidence between me and my People, which I most earnestly desire, and on which our mutual Happiness entirely depends.

And then the Lord Chancellor, by his Majesty's Command, said,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is his Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, That this present Parliament be prorogu'd to Thursday the fourth Day of June next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogu'd to Thursday the fourth Day of June next.

I R E L A N D.

Proceedings of the Parliament of Ireland, continu'd from Page 137 of the foregoing Register.

ON the 12th of October, the Commons unanimously resolv'd, that in Case it shall appear, any Person hath procur'd himself to be elected or return'd as a Member of this House, or endeavour'd so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt Practices, this House will proceed with the utmost Severity against such Person. Then Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the Committee of the whole House, appointed to take into Consideration the Supply granted to his Majesty, that they had come to several Resolutions in the Matter to them referr'd, which he read in his Place, and after delivered at the Table, where the same were again read, and are as follow.

1. That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that the Sum of 66318*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* 1*q.* is the Debt of this Nation at *Christmas, 1723.*

2. That a Supply be granted to his Majesty for Payment of the said Debt, and towards supporting the necessary Branches of the Establishment for two Years, from *Christmas, 1723,* to *Christmas, 1725.*

3. That a Sum of 1000*l.* be given to *Thomas Burgh, Esq;* as an Encouragement for inventing and publishing a new Method of ascertaining the Contents of any Survey, which will prevent the Errors the present Methods are liable to.

4. That a Sum of 2000*l.* be advanc'd to the Subscribers for making the River *Liffey* navigable, towards the carrying on and compleating the Works on the said River, and making the same navigable; Security being first given by mortgaging the Interest of the said Subscribers to the Receiver-General, or his Deputy for the Time being, for securing the Repayment of the said Sum, out of the Moiety of the clear Profits of the said Navigation.

5. That a Sum of 1500*l.* be given to the Trustees of the Linen Manufacture, towards building the Linen-Hall.

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6. That a Sum of 2000*l.* per Annum, for two Years, be given to the Trustees of the Linen Manufacture, to encourage the raising sufficient Quantities of Hemp and Flax in this Kingdom.

7. That a Sum not exceeding 1000*l.* be given to be apply'd to the building a Chapel in a convenient Place, for the Use of the Officers and Soldiers quarter'd in the Barracks of Dublin.

8. That a Sum of 300*l.* be given to Matthew Penefather, Esq; Accountant-General, as a Reward for his Expence and Trouble in preparing and stating the publick Accounts of the Nation, laid before this House this Session of Parliament.

9. That a Sum of 300*l.* be given to Bruen Worthington, a Clerk of this House, as a Reward for his Attendance and Service this Session of Parliament.

10. That a Sum of 200*l.* be given to Isaac Ambrose, a Clerk of this House, as a Reward for his Attendance and Service this Session of Parliament.

11. That a Sum of 200*l.* be given to the said Bruen Worthington and Isaac Ambrose, as a Recompence for their extraordinary Expence in preparing Copies of the publick Accounts for the Members of this House.

12. That a Sum of 200*l.* be given to John Kerr, Clerk-Assistant, as a Reward for his Attendance and Service this Session of Parliament.

13. That a Sum of 300*l.* be given to Richard Povey, Serjeant at Arms, as a Reward for his Attendance and Service this Session of Parliament.

14. That a Sum of 250*l.* be given to William Bayly and Henry Buckley, the Clerks attending the Committee of Accounts and other Committees, as a Reward for their Attendance and Service this Session of Parliament, to be equally divided between them.

15. That a Sum of 80*l.* be given to John Fieldhouse and John Molloy, Door-Keepers to this House, as a Reward for their Attendance and Service this Session of Parliament, to be equally divided between them.

16. That the Supply granted to his Majesty, be a Sum not exceeding 339368*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* 1*q.*

To which Resolutions the Question being severally put, the House did agree with an Amendment.

The same Day (Ost. 12) Mr. Thomas Upton reported from the Committee appointed to inspect and enquire what Laws are expir'd, or near expiring, that are fit to be reviv'd or continu'd; that they had come to several

Resolutions in the Matter to them referr'd, which he read in his Place, and after deliver'd at the Table, where the same were again read, and agreed to by the House with an Amendment, and are as follow.

1. Resolv'd, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that an Act entituled, *An Act for the Exchange of Glebes belonging to Churches in this Kingdom*, is a Law fit to be continu'd with some Amendments.

2. That an Act, entituled, *An Act for the better Preservation of the Game*, is a Law fit to be reviv'd with some Amendments.

3. That an Act entituled, *An Act for vesting in his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, the several Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, whereon the Barracks in this Kingdom are built, or building, or contracted for, and whereon Light-Houses are, or shall be built, and for making reasonable Satisfaction to the several Owners and Proprietors for the same*; and likewise for amending an Act made in the sixth Year of her late Majesty's Reign, entituled, *An Act to prevent the Disorders that may happen by the marching of Soldiers, and for providing Carriages for the Baggage of Soldiers, in their March*, is a Law fit to be continu'd with some Amendments.

4. That an Act pass'd in this Kingdom, in the second Year of his present Majesty's Reign, entituled, *An Act to make the Militia of this Kingdom more useful*, is a Law fit to be continu'd with some Amendments.

5. That an Act pass'd in this Kingdom, in the fourth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, entituled, *An Act for the preserving all such Ships and Goods thereof, which shall happen to be forc'd on Shore, or stranded upon the Coasts of this Kingdom*, is a Law fit to be continu'd with some Amendments.

6. That an Act pass'd in this Kingdom, in the sixth Year of his present Majesty's Reign, entituled, *An Act for the more effectual preventing the running of Goods, and for the further preventing the Frauds committed in his Majesty's Customs*, is a Law fit to be continu'd with some Amendments.

7. That an Act, entituled, *An Act for the further Amendment of the Laws in Relation to Butter and Tallow-Casks, Hides, and other Commodities of this Kingdom, and for preventing the Destruction of Salmon*, is a Law fit to be continu'd with some Amendments.

And

8. That an Act, entituled, *An Act to oblige Ships coming from infected Places, more effectually to perform their Quarantine, and for the better preventing the Plague being brought from foreign Parts into this Kingdom*, is a Law fit to be continu'd with some Amendments.

9. That a Clause in an Act, entituled, *An Act for quitting and discharging all Persons in Offices or Employments, from the Penalties they may have incur'd, by not qualifying themselves, pursuant to the Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery*, and for limiting the Time for Prosecutions on the said Act, whereby all such Persons as had neglected to qualify themselves according to the said Act, to prevent the further Growth of Popery, were freed from all Penalties and Forfeitures, is fit to be reviv'd, in Respect of the Time they'rein limited and appointed for such Persons to qualify themselves, with some Amendments.

10. That an Act made in the twelfth Year of the Reign of Queen Elizabeth, entituled, *An Act for the Erection of Free-Schools*, is a Law fit to be amended. And thereupon it was order'd, That Leave be given to bring in Heads of one or more Bill or Bills, upon the said Resolutions, and that it be referr'd to the said Committee, to prepare and bring in such Heads of a Bill or Bills.

On Monday the 14th of October, the Commons order'd Heads of a Bill to be brought in for regulating Abuses committed in buying and selling of Cattle and Sheep in the several Markets in the Kingdom of Ireland; and then order'd also, that the proper Officer do lay before this House an Account of what Number of Officers upon this Establishment, have dy'd, from the 25th of March, 1721, to the 29th of September last; as also, what Number of Half-pay Officers have been provided for, or transferr'd to the English Establishment within that Time.

The next Day (Oz. 15) a Petition of Bartholomew Stretch, in Behalf of himself, and several other Roman Catholick Merchants, Tradesmen, and Dealers of the City of Limerick, praying, that a further Time be given them to enter into Security for their Wives, Children, and Servants, pursuant to an Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery, was presented to the House, read, and referr'd to a Committee, which was thereupon appointed, with Power to send for Persons, Papers, and

Records. After this, it was resolv'd, *Nem con.* That an humble Address be presented to his Majesty, humbly beseeching his Majesty, that he will be graciously pleas'd to give such Directions as he in his great Goodneis shall think proper, to prevent the Increase of the Debt of this Nation; and that Mr. Speaker, with the House, do attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the said Address, and desire the same may be laid before his Majesty in the most effectual Manner, as the Address of this House.

On Wednesday the 16th, the Commons went into a Committee of the whole House, to consider of Ways and Means to raise the Supply, and came to several Resolutions, the Report whereof was put off to the next Day. After this, a Petition of George Cooke, Sen. Abel Strettel, John Hoope, Joseph Gill, John Barclay, Samuel Braithwaite, John Barcroft, Thomas Duckett, Edward Cooper, William Penrose, John Boles, and Solomon Watson, in Behalf of themselves and the rest of their Society, the People call'd Quakers, in this Nation, praying, that Leave may be given to bring in Heads of a Bill for granting them an Affirmation instead of an Oath, was presented to the House, read, and thereupon order'd, that Leave be given to bring in Heads of a Bill, according to the Prayer of the said Petition.

The next Day (*Oif. 17*) Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, reported from the Committee of the Whole House, appointed to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, that they had come to several Resolutions, which he read in his Place, and after deliver'd at the Table, where the same were again read, and are as follow :

1. That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that towards raising the Supply granted to his Majesty, the several and respective additional Rates, Duties, and Impositions upon Beer, Ale, Strong Waters, Tobacco, and other Goods and Merchandizes, granted and continu'd from the 25th Day of December, 1721, until the 25th Day of December, 1723, by an Act pass'd the last Session of Parliament in this Kingdom, entituled, *An ACT for granting and continuing to his Majesty the additional Duties on Beer, Ale, Strong Waters, Tobacco, and other Goods and Merchandizes, and also upon all Sorts of Strong Waters and Spirits perfectly made, and upon all Spirits made and distilled of Wine;* and also for granting and continuing the further additional Duties on Beer, Ale, Aqua Vitæ, and Strong Wa-

ters, brew'd and made in this Kingdom, and upon Brandy, or Spirits above Proof, and on Tea, Chocolate, and Cocoa-Nuts; and also a Tax on all Salaries, Profits of Employment, Fees and Pensions therein mention'd, and for securing the Repayment of 50000 l. Sterling, formerly advanc'd to his Majesty, for the Use of the Publick, together with the Interest thereof, be further granted, continu'd, rais'd, collected, levied, and paid unto his Majesty, from the 25th Day of December, 1723, until the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

2. That the several and respective, and other additional Rates, Duties, and Impositions, for and upon all Sorts of Wines and Strong-Waters, and Spirits perfectly made and distill'd of Wine, that shall be imported into this Kingdom, granted and continu'd to His Majesty last Session of Parliament by the said Act, be rais'd, paid, and continu'd from the said 25th Day of December, 1723, to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

3. That the further additional Duties of Excise upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors granted and continu'd to his Majesty last Session of Parliament by the said Act, be rais'd, paid, and continu'd from the said 25th Day of December, 1723, to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

4. That the further additional Duty upon all *Aqua Fisa*, Strong Waters, or Spirits, made or distill'd within this Kingdom for Sale, granted to his Majesty last Session of Parliament by the said Act, be rais'd, paid, and continu'd, from the said 25th Day of December, 1723, to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

5. That the further additional Duty on every Gallon of Brandy, or Spirits above Proof, which shall be imported into this Kingdom, granted to his Majesty the last Session of Parliament by the said Act, be rais'd, paid, and continu'd from the said 25th Day of December, 1723, to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

6. That the Clause or Clauses in the said Act for preventing the mixing of small Worts with strong Ale or Beer, after the Gauger hath taken the Gauge thereof, be continu'd, and be in Force, from the 25th Day of December, 1723, to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

7. That the Clause or Clauses in the said Act, empowering Gaugers to take an Account of all Wash and

Low Wines in Distillers Hands, the better thereby to ascertain the Quantity of *Aqua Vitæ*, Strong-Waters, and Spirits by them distill'd, be continued, and in Force, from the said 25th Day of December, 1723, to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

8. That the Sum of 6*d.* per Pound, and all other Fees which shall or may be payable out of the Aids granted this present Session of Parliament, be apply'd towards rais'g the Supply granted to his Majesty.

9. That a Tax be laid upon all Salaries, Profits of Employments, Fees, and Pensions upon the Civil and Military Establishments, payable to Persons living out of this Kingdom, except the Lord Lieutenant, or other Chief Governor or Governors of this Kingdom for the Time being, and also such as by their Offices and Employments are oblig'd to an immediate Attendance upon the Persons of his Sacred Majesty, or their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princes of Wales, or their Issue, during their Continuance in such their Offices and Employments, and also the Officers of the Army, and Half pay Officers, upon this Establishment.

10. That the said Tax laid upon all Salaries, Profits of Employments, Fees, and Pensions, be 4*s.* per Pound.

11. That the said Tax of 4*s.* per Pound upon all Salaries, Profits of Employments, Fees, and Pensions, do commence the 25th Day of December, 1723, and continue to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

12. That towards rais'g the Supply granted to his Majesty, the additional Duty on all Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, and Cocoa-Nuts, which shall be imported into this Kingdom, granted by the said Act the last Session of Parliament, be rais'd, paid, and continu'd, from the 25th Day of December, 1723, to the 25th Day of December, 1725, inclusive.

To which Resolutions the Question being severally put, the House did agree.

After this it was order'd, 1st, that Heads of one or more Bills be brought in upon the said Resolutions. 2dly, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee to insert a Clause or Clauses in the said Heads of a Bill or Bills, to secure the Payment of the principal Sum of £5000*L.* advanc'd to the Government, pursuant to a former Vote of this House, together with Interest for the

the same, at the Rate of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent. during the Time it shall continue unpaid. 3dly, That it be also an Instruction to the said Committee, to insert a Clause or Clauses in the said Heads of a Bill or Bills for applying the Duties laid on Tea, Coffee, Chocolate, and Cocoa Nuts, for the Use and Encouragement of the Hemp and Flaxen Manufacturers of this Kingdom.

Then Mr. Moore, Deputy Muster-Master-General, deliver'd at the Bar, an Account of what Number of Officers upon the Establishment, have dy'd from the 25th Day of March, 1721, to the 29th of September last, 1723, and an Account of what Number of Half-pay Officers have been provided for, or transfeir'd to the English Establishment, from the 25th of March, 1721, to the 29th of September last, 1723. Which Accounts were read at the Table.

Then Mr. Busteed, presented to the House Heads of a Bill for the Relief of insolvent Debtors, which were receiv'd and read, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, this Day sev'n night.

Then the House according to Order, resolv'd itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into Consideration Heads of a Bill for the further Encouragement in the finding and working of Mines and Minerals in this Kingdom.

The next Day (Oct 18) Mr. Speaker reported, that the House did the Day before, attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant at the Castle, with the Address of this House to his Majesty, and that thereupon his Grace was pleased to return the Answer following:

I Will by the first Opportunity, lay this Address before his Majesty.

Mr. Rose reported from the Committee, appointed to take into Consideration the Petition of Bartholomew Stretch, in Behalf of himself and several other Roman Catholick Merchants, Tradesmen, and Dealers of the City of Limerick, that they had come to a Resolution in the Matter to them referr'd, which he read in his Place, and after deliver'd at the Table, where the same was again read and agreed to, and is as followeth, viz. Resolv'd, That it is the Opinion of this Committee, that the Petitioner hath fully prov'd the Allegations of his Petition, to the Satisfaction of the Committee: Whereupon it was order'd, that Leave be given to bring in Heads

of a Bill, for granting a further Time to the Roman Catholick Inhabitants of Limerick, to enter into Security for themselves, Wives, Children, and Servants, pursuant to an Act, to prevent the further Growth of Popery.

On the 19th of October, a Petition of John Bingham, Esq; complaining of several most malicious and groundless Informations given in against him by several Persons, purely for his having been active in putting the Laws against Papists in Execution, in order to deter him and other Magistrates from doing their Duty, and praying Relief, was presented to the House of Commons, read, and referr'd to the Consideration of a Committee, with Power to send for Persons, Papers, and Records. Then Heads of a Bill were order'd to be brought in, for regulating Tryals at Law, and Proceedings of the Officers.

On Monday the 21st, Dr. Trotter reported from the Committee, appointed to enquire into the Growth of Popery, and to consider of the most effectual Means to prevent the same, that they had come to several Resolutions in the Matter to them referr'd, which he read in his Place, and after deliver'd at the Table, where the same were again read, and are as follow: viz.

Resolv'd, That it is the Opinion of this Committee,

1. That Popery has greatly increas'd within these few Years in this Kingdom, occasion'd by the many Ways found out and practis'd by the Papists to evade the several Laws already made to prevent the further Growth of Popery.

2. That the Neglect of several Magistrates and Officers of the Peace in executing the Laws against Papists, has greatly contributed to the Growth of Popery.

3. That the recommending Persons converted from the Popish Religion, by which they may be put too early into the Commission of the Peace, is highly prejudicial to the Protestant Interest of this Kingdom.

4. That it is highly prejudicial to the Protestant Interest, and an Encouragement to Popery, that any Person marry'd to a Popish Wife, should bear any Office or Employment under his Majesty.

5. That no Person who is or shall become a Convert from the Popish to the Protestant Religion, ought to be capable

- capable of any Office or Employment under his Majesty, unless he shall breed up all his Children, to the Age of 14 Years, to be of the Church of Ireland, as by Law establish'd.

6. That no Person that is or shall be converted from the Popish to the Protestant Religion, be capable of any Office or Employment under his Majesty, or practise as a Barrister, Attorney, or Solicitor, for the Space seven Years next after his Conversion, and unless he brings a Certificate of having receiv'd the Sacrament thrice in every Year during the said Term.

7. That no Person who is or shall be converted from the Popish Religion, ought to be deem'd or taken as a Protestant, in any Respect whatsoever, that has not already, or shall not within a Year, produce a Certificate of his Conversion, and enroll the same.

8. That notwithstanding the Laws now in Being against Popery, the Number of Popish Priests and Fryars has of late Years greatly increas'd in this Kingdom, to the Danger of the Protestant Religion.

And the five first Resolutions being severally put, the same were agreed to by the House, *Nemine contradicente*. And the sixth Resolution being put, the same was agreed to by the House, with an Amendment. And the seventh and eighth Resolutions being severally put, the same were agreed to by the House, *Nemine contradicente*.

And thereupon it was order'd, That Leave be given to bring in Heads of a Bill, for explaining and amending the Acts to prevent the further Growth of Popery, and for strengthening the Protestant Interest of this Kingdom. And that it be referr'd to the same Committee, to prepare and bring in the said Heads of a Bill.

The next Day (Oct 22.) Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented to the House Heads of a Bill for granting and continuing to his Majesty the additional Duties on Beer, Ale, Strong Liquors, Tobacco, and other Goods and Merchandizes, &c. which were receiv'd, read, and committed to a Committee of the whole House. He also presented other Heads of a Bill for excepting the solemn affirmation or Declaration of the People call'd Quakers, instead of the Oath in the usual Form. And Mr. Betteforth presented also Heads of a Bill to prevent the Butchers gashing and Cutting Hides and Skins, and to prevent the Frauds committed by Tanners in their insufficient and deceitful work.

*ing, dressing and Tanning of Leather: Both which were receiv'd, read, and referr'd to a grand Committee; as were also, Heads of a Bill presented by Mr. Solicitor-General, for amending an Act for Redress of certain Abuses in making Pewter and Brass. After this, Heads of a Bill were order'd to be brought in, for continuing and amending an Act, intituled, *An Act for the better regulating the Parish Watches, and amending the Highways in this Kingdom, and for preventing the Misapplication of publick Money.**

Ost. 24. It was order'd, 1st, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of the whole House, to whom Heads of a Bill for granting and continuing to his Majesty the additional Duties on Beer, Ale, Strong Waters, Tobacco, and other Goods and Merchandizes; and also upon all Sorts of Wine, Strong Waters, and Spirits perfectly made, and upon all Spirits made and distill'd of Wine; and also for granting and continuing the further additional Duties on Beer, Ale, Aqua Vitæ, and Strong Waters, brew'd and made in this Kingdom, and upon Brandy, or Spirits above Proof, and on Tea, Coffee, Chocolate, and Cocoa-Nuts; and also a Tax on all Salaries, or Profits of Employments, Fees, and Pensions, herein mention'd, and for securing the Repayment of 50000 l. Sterling, formerly advanc'd to his Majesty for the Use of the Publick, together with the Interest thereof, are committed, to receive a Clause, that in Case any of the Subscribers to the 50000 l. Loan to his Majesty, shall refuse to accept 7 l. per Cent. Interest for the Sum by him or them advanc'd, the Vice-Treasurer, or his Deputy, shall pay the same, taking an Assignment of such Subscription, which he may assign or transfer to any Person who will advance the same, for the Use of the Publick, at 7 l. per Cent.

2dly, That it be also an Instruction to the said Committee, to receive a Clause, That the additional Pay of 1 d. per diem, to each Foot-Soldier, 4 d. per diem to each Trooper, and 2 d. per diem to each Dragoon, may be paid them without any Deduction whatsoever.

3dly, That Leave be given to bring in Heads of a Bill, for explaining and amending an Act, intituled, *An Act for the erecting of Free-Schools.* And that the next Day (Ost. 25.) the Commons order'd, that Leave be given to bring in Heads of a Bill for better qualifying Persons to be Justices of the Peace; and that the proper Officers do lay before this House, a List of the Persons made

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Justices of the Peace, since the Year 1710. Then a Petition of the several Woollen-Drapers, Weavers, and Clothiers of the City of Dublin, in Behalf of themselves, and the other Drapers, Weavers, and Clothiers of this Kingdom, praying Relief in Relation to the great Decay of Trade in the Woollen Manufacture, was presented to the House, read, and referr'd to a Committee. After this, it was order'd, that it be an Instruction to the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in Heads of one or more Bill or Bills upon the Resolutions of the Committee who were appointed to inspect and enquire what Laws are expir'd, or near expiring, &c. to insert a Clause for granting a further Time to the Roman Catholick Inhabitants of Limerick, to enter into Security for themselves, Wives, Children, and Servants, pursuant to an Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery. A Petition of the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the Corporation of Tanners in the City of Dublin, in Behalf of themselves and others, praying to be heard by their Counsel against Heads of a Bill to prevent the Butchers gashing and cutting Hides and Skins, and to prevent the Frauds committed by Tanners in their insufficient and deceitful working, dressing, and tanning of Leather, was presented to the House, read, and referr'd to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Heads of a Bill were committed. Then it was order'd, that the Marshals of the Four Courts of the City of Dublin, and Liberties thereto adjoining, do lay before this House an Account of what Prisoners they have in their Custody, the Times when they were committed, and for what Sums. A Petition of *Tristram Fortick, Sadler, Henry Keating, Coach-maker, and Thomas Medcalf, Shoemaker*, in Behalf of themselves, and all other the Saddlers, Coach-makers, and Shoe-makers in this Kingdom, setting forth the Abuses committed by the Butchers, in gashing and cutting of Hides and Skins, and by the Tanners, in their deceitful tanning of Leather; and praying a Remedy for such Mischiefs, was presented to the House, read, and referr'd to the Committee of the whole House.

Then the House resolv'd itself into a Committee of the whole House, to take into further Consideration Heads of a Bill for further Encouragement in the finding and working of Mines and Minerals in this Kingdom. As also Heads of a Bill for the further Amendment of the

Laws in Relation to Butter, Tallow, Beef, Hides, and other Commodities of this Kingdom, &c.

On the 26th of October, a Petition of the Master, Wardens and Brethren of the Corporation of Curriers of the City of Dublin, in Behalf of themselves and others, praying to be heard by their Counsel against Heads of a Bill to prevent the Butchers gathering and cutting Hides and Skins, and to prevent the Frauds committed by Tanners, in their insufficient and deceitful working, dressing, and tanning of Leather, was presented to the House, read, and refer'd to the Committee of the whole House, to whom the said Heads of a Bill are committed. Then Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, according to Order, reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom Heads of a Bill for granting and continuing to his Majesty the additional Duties on Beer, Ale, Strong Waters, Tobacco, and other Goods and Merchandizes, and also upon all Sorts of Wine, Strong Waters, and Spirits perfectly made, &c. were committed; that they had gone through the same, Paragraph by Paragraph, and agreed thereto with some Amendments, which he read, and after deliver'd at the Table, where the same were again read, and agreed to by the House; and thereupon it was order'd, That Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the said Heads of a Bill, and desire the same may be transmitted into Great Britain in due Form. It was also order'd, that the proper Officer do lay before this House, a List of the Fees taken on passing Commissions, for making Justices of the Peace; as also a List of the several Fees taken at the Secretary's-Office, for passing Commissioners for Civil and Military Employments, and all other Patents in their Office. Then Mr. Madden, Deputy-Clerk of the Crown, according to Order, deliver'd at the Bar, a List of such Persons as were put into the Commission of the Peace, since January, 1710, which was order'd to lye on the Table.

On the 28th, Mr. Madden, laid also before the House a List of the Fees taken on passing Commissions for making Justices of the Peace; and Mr. St. Leger reported from the Committee of the whole House to whom Heads of a Bill for the further Preservation of the Game, were committed, that they had gone through the same, and agreed thereto with some Amendments, which he read, and after deliver'd at the Table, where the same were again read, and agreed to by the House; and there-

thereupon it was order'd, that Mr. St. Leger do attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the said Heads of a Bill, and desire the same may be transmitted into *Great Britain* in due Form. After this, Mr. Pearson, Marshal of the Four Courts, *Dublin*, according to Order, deliver'd at the Bar a List of the several Prisoners in the Custody of the Marshal of the four Courts, *Dublin*, the Times when committed, the Creditors Names, and the Sums for which they stand charg'd. Mr. John Forrester, City-Marshal, deliver'd also a List of the Prisoners in the *Marshalsea* of the City of *Dublin*; as did likewise Mr. John Johnson, Marshal of the Liberties of *Thomas Court* and *Donore*, an Account of what Prisoners are now in Custody in the *Marshalsea* of *Thomas-Court* and *Donore*, when committed, and for what Sums. All which Papers were order'd to lie on the Table, to be perused by the Members of the House.

The same Day, Mr. William Vesey reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom Heads of a Bill for further Encouragement in the finding and working of *Mines and Minerals within this Kingdom*, were committed, that they had gone through the same, and agreed thereto with some Amendments, which he read in his Place, and after deliver'd at the Table, where the same were again read, and agreed to by the House. And a Clause being offer'd to be added to the said Heads of a Bill, the same was also read, and agreed unto by the House with an Amendment; and thereupon it was order'd, that Mr. William Vesey do attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the said Heads of a Bill, and desire the same may be transmitted into *Great Britain* in due Form. Then Mr. Maddocks from the Chief Secretary's Office, deliver'd at the Bar, a Table of Fees taken at the Chief Secretary's Office; and Mr. Lingen deliver'd also at the Bar, a Table of Fees taken at the Second Secretary's Office; both which were order'd to lie on the Table. A Committee was afterwards appointed to consider of proper Methods to preserve the Fry of Fish in Fresh and Salt-Waters, and how the Fisheries of the Kingdom may be made more advantageous.

October 29. Mr. Wolseley reported from the Committee of the whole House, to whom Heads of a Bill for regulating the Abuses committed in buying and selling of Cattle and Sheep in the several Markets in this Kingdom, were committed, that they had agreed thereto with some Amendments, which he read in his Place, and after deliver'd

at the Table, where the same were again read, and agreed to by the House, with a further Amendment: And it was thereupon order'd, that Mr. Wolseley do attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the said Heads of a Bill, and desire the same may be transmitted into Great Britain in due Form. Then Mr. Robert Allen presented to the House Heads of a Bill for the better qualifying Justices of the Peace, which were receiv'd, read, and referr'd to a grand Committee.

On Wednesday the 30th, the Commons, in a Committee of the whole House, went through Heads of a Bill for amending the several Laws now in Force for encouraging the Hemp and Flaxen Manufactures of this Kingdom, and for the further Improvement thereof.

The next Day, (Oct. 31.) Mr. Secretary Hopkins inform'd the House, that he was commanded by his Grace the Lord Lieutenant to acquaint them, that his Majesty had been pleas'd to return a most gracious Answer to the Address of this House, which he deliver'd at the Table, and was as follows:

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HIS Majesty thanks the House of Commons for their very loyal and dutiful Address, and is fully perswaded from the many Instances they have given of their Zeal and Affection to his Person and Government, that they will make good those Assurances which they now repeat, of supporting his Government with the greatest Chearfulness and Unanimity. His Majesty is fully satisfied of their Abhorrence and Detestation of the late wicked and dangerous Conspiracy, and his Majesty will omit nothing that may contribute to the Maintenance of the Religion, Liberties and Properties of his People.

After the reading of this Answer by Mr. Speaker, the same was order'd to be entred in the Journals of the House; and a Committee was appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Majesty, for the said most gracious Answer: It was also order'd, that Leave be given to bring in Heads of a Bill for preventing several Abuses committed by Millers, Bakers, and Farmers; and then, in a grand Committee, some Progress was made in the Quakers Bill.

On the 1st of November, Mr. Pratt presented to the House Heads of a Bill for preventing several Abuses committed by Millers, Bakers, and Farmers, which were receiv'd

ceiv'd, read, and committed to a grand Committee: Then Mr. Tighe reported from that Committee the Amendments made to Heads of a Bill for continuing and amending an Act, entituled, *An Act for the better regulating the Parish Watches, and amending the Highway, and for the preventing the Misapplication of publick Money:* Which, with some further Amendments, was agreed to; and a Clause to prevent Mischiefs which may happen by grazing Ships in the River Liffy, and to prohibit the keeping of Fires on Board Ships lying in the said River, being offer'd to be added to the said Heads of a Bill, the same was also read, and agreed unto by the House, with some Amendments: After which, it was order'd, that Mr. Tighe do attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the said Heads of a Bill, and desire the same may be transmitted into Great Britain in due Form. Then in a grand Committee, some Progress was made in the Heads of a Bill for the Relief of insolvent Debtors; and Dr. Trotter presented to the House Heads of a Bill for explaining and amending the Acts to prevent the Growth of Popery, and for strengthening the Protestant Interest in the Kingdom of Ireland, which were receiv'd, read, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

The next Day, the Commons, in a grand Committee, went through Heads of a Bill for amending the Act for Redress of certain Abuses in making Pewter and Brass; and in the same Committee, made some Progress to Heads of a Bill for explaining and amending the Act for the Preservation of the Inheritance, Rights and Profits of Lands belonging to the Church, and Persons Ecclesiastical.

On Tuesday the 5th of November, Mr. Solicitor-General reported the Amendments made in the Committee of the whole House to Heads of a Bill for amending an Act for Redress of certain Abuses in making Pewter and Brass, which were agreed to, and the said Heads order'd to be transmitted into Great Britain. Then Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported the Address of Thanks to his Majesty, for his most gracious Answer to the Address of the House; which was agreed to without any Amendment, and order'd to be laid before the Lord Lieutenant by the whole House. The same Day, the House resum'd the adjourn'd Consideration of a Clause for appointing Weigh-Masters for the City of Dublin, offer'd to be added to Heads of a Bill, for the further Amendment of the Laws in Relation to Butter, Tallow, Beef, Hides, and other

other Commodities in this Kingdom; as also in Relation to the Casks in which such Goods are to be made up; and for the preventing the Destruction of Salmon. Upon which it was previously order'd, that the Lord-Mayor, Sheriffs, Commons and Citizens of the City of Dublin, have Leave to withdraw their Petition, praying to be heard by their Counsel against the said Clause. Then the said Clause was read and agreed unto by the House with an Amendment, and the House afterwards resum'd the adjourn'd Consideration of the Report from the Committee of the whole House, to whom Heads of a Bill for amending the several Laws now in Force, for encouraging the Hempen and Flaxen Manufactures in this Kingdom, and for the further Improvement thereof, were committed. And the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Heads of a Bill, were read and agreed unto by the House with some further Amendments; and a Clause being offer'd to be added to the said Heads of a Bill, the same was also read and agreed unto by the House with an Amendment. Two other Clauses being severally offer'd to be added to the said Heads of a Bill, the same were also severally read, and the Question being severally put, that the said Clauses do stand Part of the said Heads of a Bill, it pass'd in the Negative; and then it was order'd, that Mr. Maxwell do attend his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the said Heads of Bills, and desire the same may be transmitted into Great Britain in due Form. Then Mr. St. John Broderick reported from the Committee appointed to consider the Petition of John Bingham, Esq; the Resolutions the Committee had come to thereupon, viz.

That it is the Opinion of this Committee, 1st. That the Petitioner has fully prov'd the Allegations of his Petition.

2. That John Bingham, Esq; has behav'd himself with great Loyalty to his Majesty, and with becoming Zeal and Integrity in the Support of his Government, by vigorously putting the Laws in Execution against Papists and their Adherents.

3. That a milicious Conspiracy was wickedly contriv'd and carry'd on against the said John Bingham, to take away his Life and Fortune.

4. That John Brown of Raheny, Esq; and his Accomplices, were the chief Promoters, and Advisers of the said Conspiracy.

5. That