

The following is the humble address of the House of Lords presented to his Majesty yesterday, in consequence of the foregoing message:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and lawful subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, return our humble thanks to your Majesty for the communication of the paper presented to Lord Viscount Weymouth by order of the French king, and for acquainting us that, in consequence of this offensive declaration, your Majesty has thought proper to order your ambassador to withdraw from the court of France. And we beg leave to assure your Majesty, that it is with the utmost difficulty we can restrain the strongest expressions of the resentment and indignation which we feel for this unjust and unprovoked aggression on the honour of your Majesty's crown, and the essential interests of your kingdoms, contrary to the law of nations, and injurious to the rights and possessions of every sovereign power in Europe.

The good faith and uprightness of your Majesty's conduct towards foreign powers, and the sincerity of your intentions to preserve the general tranquillity, must be acknowledged by all the world; and your Majesty cannot be considered as responsible for the disturbance of that tranquillity, if you should find yourself called upon to resist the enterprises of that restless and dangerous spirit of ambition and aggrandizement, which has so often invaded the rights, and threatened the liberties of Europe.

We should be wanting in our duty to your Majesty, and to ourselves, if we did not give your Majesty the strongest assurances of our most zealous assistance and support. Every sentiment of loyalty to your Majesty, and of love to our country, will animate us to stand forth in the public defence, and to promote every measure that shall be found necessary for enabling your Majesty to vindicate the honour of your crown, and to protect the just rights and essential interests of these kingdoms.

His Majesty's most gracious answer:

My Lords,

I THANK you for this loyal and affectionate address. Nothing shall be wanting on my part that may tend to the effectual support of the just rights of my crown, and the true interests of my people. These great and important considerations shall ever be the immediate object of my attention.

The Commons at the same time presented their address, but as it is nearly word for word with that of the Lords, we do not publish it.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

On Tuesday the House read several public and private bills.

Lord North, agreeable to his estimation, delivered his Majesty's message, literally the same as in the upper house. Mr. Baker moved the dissolution of the ministers, as an amendment, which produced a very long debate, of the same nature and substance as that in the Lords.

Lord North painted the situation of this country as much more comfortable than some persons in opposition had held out. His Lordship said our navy was in a much better condition than it had been in at the commencement of the late war, and that the new levies were nearly filled; that we should speedily have 30,000 men in arms, which added to the militia, who would forthwith be embodied, would be an ample force for the internal safety of the kingdom. His Lordship further said that he had, since he had sat that day in the house, received intelligence that every shilling of the first deposit on the new subscription had been paid.

Extract of a letter from Edinburgh, March 14.

"We hear that orders are come down for a draught of 500 men to be made from each of the regiments now raising in Scotland, to be shipped for America by the 25th of March; as two armed vessels arrived at Greenock, some transports engaged there, and many more expected from England, it is imagined they will embark at that port.

March 19. There was the hottest press on the Flames on Tuesday night and yesterday morning ever known. The gangs took a great number of sailors; not a vessel escaped them, even those that had protections were carried off.

Several merchant ships which have taken in their lading, were ready to sail, and had got protections for their men, are now detained, their men, notwithstanding their protections, being taken away by the press-gangs; even masters of fishing vessels did not escape them.

March 20. On Tuesday evening orders were issued for the embodying the several regiments of militia, and for completing the regular forces to 30,000 effective men.

NEW BERN, May 29.

ON Monday last an express arrived to his Excellency the governor, with dispatches from Congress, containing a copy of the treaty of friendship and alliance lately concluded between the court of France and the United States of America; the same was immediately published here, under a display of American and French colours, and a triple discharge from thirteen pieces of cannon and the town company of militia, which was drawn up for that purpose. Universal joy appeared in every countenance; great plenty of liquor was given to the populace, and the evening concluded with great good humour and social mirth.

To be sold, at the white rock, near Newbern, a small quantity of Indian corn, black eyed peas, pork, bacon, and hog's fat. for terms apply to W. AVERY.

Just opened and to be sold, at Thomas Sitgreaves and Son's shop, for ready money or tobacco, either by wholesale or retail.

A LARGE and general assortment of goods, consisting of cloths of all qualities, linens, stripes and checks, cambric, dimity, millenary, umbrellas, cotton and wool cards, Madeira, Claret, and Malaga wine, Coniac brandy, chintzes, nankeens, stockings, canvases, garters, saws, window glass, looking glasses, thread of all kinds, shoes, hats, pins and needles, files of different sizes and sorts, cutteau and small knives, best black and red lead pencils, best Hyson, Green and Bohea tea, coffee, pepper, bar iron and steel, falling and cooper's axes, grubbing hoes, a large quantity of medicines, and a variety of other articles too numerous to insert. Newbern May 25.

WHEREAS a final settlement on the estate of Edward Frank, deceased, ought to be made at the next court, it is therefore requested that all persons who have any demands against the said estate will bring them in immediately, and all those indebted thereto make immediate payment.

WAIGHTSTILE AVERY, Administrator, &c.
LEAH AVERY, Administratrix.

I GAVE a bond to Mr. John Kinchen of Hillsborough in 1775, payable in January 1778, which bond the said Kinchen endorsed to Mr. Mc Nair, the 1st of March in Hillsborough; this is to desire Mr. Mc Nair, or his agents to produce the said bond to me, as I am ready to discharge it, and will not after this pay any interest on the said bond: Also a note to John Cruden, which was payable in 1776, this is to desire the said Cruden, or his agents to produce the said note, as I am now ready to discharge the same, and will not after this pay any interest.

Cape Fear, May 1-

ROGER MOORE.

RUN away from the subscriber about a fortnight since, Isaac Clarke, an apprentice boy, about 17 years of age, 4 feet 6 inches high, light hair, a remarkable flat face, and talks a great deal; had on when he went away a dowlas shirt and trowsers, and took some money with him, and I imagine he has gone down to Mr. Philip Neale's plantation, on Neuse river. Whoever brings said apprentice to me, shall have 10 dollars, and all charges paid.

Newbern, May 13.

JAMES ARANKS.

FOR sale by public vendue, the good sloop called the CASWELL, the 7th of June, at Bogue inlet, burthen 90 tons, well found with sails and rigging, two anchors and cables, and a kedge anchor, four pieces of cannon, and has the following cargo on board, viz. 68 barrels tar, 114 do. pitch, 146 do. turpentine, 7 do. spirit turpentine, 3 do. of vernish, 4800 white oak hogthead staves, 25000 lb. tobacco, 8 barrels pork, and 1000 lb. biscuit.

THE subscriber has for sale at the town of Beaufort, Garteret county, a new vessel on the stocks, well calculated for a fast sailer, and will be completely finished by the 15th of May next. Her dimensions are 55 feet keel strait rabber, 11 feet rake forward, 18 and a half feet beam, and 7 feet and a half hold.

ABIEL CHENEY.

DESERTED from Col. Cherioll's regiment, in the service of this state, a soldier named Marc Clement, a native of France, about 5 feet 5 inches high, dark complexion, has several scars on his left hand, occasioned by fire, speaks bad English. Whoever secures said deserter in any gaol of this state, or delivers him to the commanding officer at Newbern, shall have five pounds reward.

TO BE SOLD a small schooner, 35 tons burthen, newly lying at Newbern, well fitted, sails exceeding well, provisions now on board for a voyage, she has been a privateer in the present war. Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms and see an inventory of her, by applying to me.

WILLIAM GOOD.

RUN away from the subscriber at Wilmington in June 1776, a negroe fellow named Prince, 5 feet 6 inches high, 20 years of age, slim bodied and large legs, wants one or more of his front teeth, marked with the smallpox and whip. Forty dollars will be given to any person that will secure said negro so that I may get him.

Campbelton, May 1.

ROBERT ROWAN.

FOR sale, at the next superior court to be held for the district of Newbern, a tract of land situate on Trent, in Craven county, known by the name of the Tuckahoe meadows. For terms apply at the abovesaid time, at Newbern.

JAS. IRDELL.