

his opposition, "moved that the order for entering into a Committee of Ways and Means be discharged."

The question being put there appeared,

Ayes

Noes

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Majority for discharging the order of the day

The House in a Committee went through the American Trade Bill, and agreed thereto with some amendments; during which Mr. O'Hara proposed, that the port of Sligo might be included among those whose tobaccos were permitted to be bonded; but Sir John Parnell objecting on account of the expence that would attend the building of stores, &c. Mr. O'Hara gave it up. After which the Speaker resumed the chair, and the House adjourned to

next day.

Thursday, December 4th.

Mr. FOSTER moved, "That the Committee on the Tobacco Bill be empowered to receive a clause for bonding the duties."

Sir JOHN PARREL objected against it, on the principle that there was already 30,000, due by the Merchants for Tobacco Duty, by bonds in the hands of the several collectors; and that if the merchants paid down the full duty, they would not be inconvenienced thereby, as there was an allowance in that case of 7½ per cent.

Mr. HARTLEY said, the merchants of this kingdom were certainly entitled to every indulgence of the merchants of Great Britain, who were in general much richer.

The clause was agreed to.

Mr. HOLMES moved, "That an address be presented to the Lord Lieutenant, that he will please to order the report of the Judges of Assize, on the State of the Prisons throughout the kingdom.

Ordered accordingly.

Mr. DAVID LATOUR moved for leave to bring in a bill to cause all lodgments of money hitherto made with the Officers of the courts, to be deposited in the Bank of Ireland; and to indemnify said Officers from any loss they may sustain from the said regulation.

Leave granted.

The money Bill, pursuant to order, read a second time.

The House then resolved into a Committee on the Tobacco Bill.

Mr. HARTLEY mentioned, that he had some days ago delivered to the House a petition from the merchants of Dublin, complaining of their unequal situation with the merchants of Britain, who could send their surplus of tobacco and other American goods to Ireland, while them of this country were precluded from sending any American goods from hence to England, under the interpretation made in England of the navigation act, which act, he observed was looked upon by several not to be binding in this kingdom; and that at any rate he wished a clause might be inserted in this bill for admitting tobaccos from Great Britain only conditionally, that tobaccos should be admitted in Great Britain from hence.

Mr. MASON read the Statute that adopted the British Act of Navigation.

Mr. CORRY read a Repeal of that Act, and contended, that at present it enacted only rules for the conduct of Custom-house Officers.

After some conversation on the subject, it was in a manner agreed upon that if any such clause was necessary, it must be proposed on the report.

The Bill being gone through, the Speaker resumed his Chair, and the report was ordered for to-morrow, to which time the House adjourned.

Friday Dec. 4.

Mr. BURCH of Oldtown reported from the Select Committee for trial of the Leitrim Election.

"That the Right Hon. Henry Theophilus Clements is not duly elected to represent the county of Leitrim in Parliament."

Mr. MOLYNEUX rose, and apologized for taking upon himself a business of such importance as that he had to propose; that he had flattered himself with the assistance of several Gentlemen, particularly one, whose great abilities were acknowledged on all hands, but was sorry to say, that Gentleman had been the principal cause of the postponing it in the first instance, and was now gone out of the kingdom, he should therefore be brief, and confine himself to a few general observations on the expedience of an Absentee Tax. Allegiance, said he, is due for protection, and this was the principle of that feudal system which formerly existed. Government is now supported by taxation, and the compact is the same, they who pay taxes are protected and pay no taxes; those absentees who receive rents, but in no wise support the Government of Ireland, for which defalcation those who reside in the kingdom must pay double taxes.

He then moved the following resolution:

"Resolved, That it is the opinion of this

House, that the manner and forward; notwithstanding which it should have his support.

R. Hon. GEORGE OGLE, I opposed this measure in 1773, and I oppose it this day on the same grounds; and yet at that time there was a plea for it that doth not now exist; it might then be considered as a kind of non-importation agreement, and was introduced by a Gentleman of the first abilities; yet even then the measure was thought highly dangerous. My sentiments were then, and are now, that it is a badge of slavery, it is a writ of *arrest*, which all know is never issued but in cases of treason; it is an injustice to men who have purchased estates in this kingdom to take away their property by an *ex post factis* law, or lessen its value, and a fall of lands must be the unavoidable consequence.

Mr. JENSON spoke against the motion.

Mr. Mason, Mr. Langridge, Sir John O'Neill, Mr. Pole, Sir Frederick Flood, Mr. Mulvey, Mr. Warburton, and the Hon. John Stratford, spoke against the motion.

Mr. THOMAS ST. GEORGE thought an Absentee tax a proper one, but moved for reducing it to two shillings in the Pound.

Sir HENRY HARTSTONGE moved, that the word one shilling in the pound be inserted, instead of four. Which amendment being agreed to, the question on the motion was put,

Ayes 22, Nays 184. Majority 162.

The following is a correct copy of the Lord's Protest against the joint address upon Mr. Flood's and Mr. Brownlow's making a proposition for a Parliamentary Reform in the House of Commons:

Dissident.

Because we conceive that, excepting in those cases where constant usage has rendered Addresses necessary, his Majesty ought never to be addressed but upon great and important occasions.

Because we do not know nor believe that any cause now exists to require or demand the Address which a majority of this House has thought fit to send up to the Throne.

CHARLEMONT, ALDBOROUGH, POWERSCOURT, MOUNTMORRES.

The Address to his Majesty from the Convention of the Volunteer Delegates, is to be presented by Mr. Flood who so qualify of a member of the British Parliament, as well as Privy Counsellor of England, has access at all times to the Royal Presence.

The Conventry Delegates entertained in a most sumptuous and elegant manner, at Ryan's in Fownes's-street, a few days before their departure, the Londonderry Light Dragoons.

Tuesday evening the Independent Dublin Volunteers elected William Smyth, Esq; their Colonel, in the room of Henry Grattan, Esq.

His Majesty's letters are come over appointing the Rev. Wm. Dickson, clerk, M. A. Bishop of the united bishoprics of Down and Connor, void by the death of the late Right Rev. Father in God, Dr. James Trail, late Bishop thereof.

A change in the Ministry at St. James's was confidently spoken of yesterday, but we can assure the Public from indisputable authority, that no such event had taken place when the last dispatches left London. It is true Lord Stormont has resigned the Presidency of the Council and Lord Camden is appointed in his Read, but this is considered as rather aiding than diminishing the strength of the present Ministerial phalanx.

When the resolves of the different Counties reach Parliament, and the so much dreaded Bayonet cannot be made the pretext to refuse the wishes of the People, that man must have an uncommon degree of Temerity who shall in the House of Commons to negative the universal desire of the Nation. The name of such a man will go down to posterity, marked with that infamy which general indignation gives to the betrayer of public confidence.

MARRIED. At Galway John Irwin, Esq; of the county of Roscommon to Miss Honora Blake, daughter of the late Edmond Blake of Killalla, Esq.

DIED. At Galway Mrs. French, relict of the late Patrick French Phoenix, of that town, Merchant.—At Paris, Master Henry Alcock, son of Henry Alcock, Esq; M. P. for the city of Waterford.

POSTSCRIPT This Evening arrived ONE PACKET

LONDON, Dec. 1.

Several West India merchants are going over to the West Indies, in the next ships that sail, in order to settle their accounts with the Planters, which have lain unfeasted during the war.

Thirteenth Day's Drawing,

No. 3,668, 10,000.—No. 20,800, 47,245.
3,240, 22,754, 42,745, 32,724, 40,443, 100,
each.—No. 43,235, 1,355, 47,975, 37,491,
50 each.

In consequence of the richness of the wheel, tickets have risen 21, 10s. this evening.

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To Board bearing 100

To Dido, not bearing 100, Galway, Co.

To Cash on Goods, 100

To Cheque for the last payment to Government

To Dido, for a Loan of Exchequer

Bills and Interest

To Bills of Exchange, &c. 100

To Laundry debts on account of the trade

To Interest on Annuities, Bonds, and Stock

To half a year's dividend on Stock

out at Christmas next

To Interest on military and Contingent funds more than applied

Balance in favour of the Company

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