

At the Council Chamber Whitehall
the 14th of June 1780

Present

Lord President	Viscount Townshend
Lord Privy Seal	Viscount Falkmouth
Duke of Bolton	Viscount Barrington
Duke of Chandos	Viscount Mincingbrook
Duke of Northumberland	Lord Le Despencer
Marquis of Carmarthen	Lord Onslow
Lord Steward	Lord Idgembe
Lord Chamberlain	Lord Grantham
Earl of Huntingdon	M ^r . Speaker
Earl of Sandwich	James Stuart Mackenzie Esq ^r .
Earl of Carlisle	Master of the Rolls
Earl of Marchmont	Sir Lawrence Dundas
Earl of Ashburnham	Sir Thomas Parker
Earl Gower	Charles Townshend Esq ^r .
Earl of Wrenndon	Lord Chief Justice Wedderburn

Sampson Wright Esq^r attended (pursuant to directions of yesterday) and delivered his account, from written minutes, of what had fallen within his observation and knowledge

Note. Mr Wright at his first attendance, on Sunday Morning, had desired time to prepare and lay before their Lordships an account in recruiting. —

The Marshall of the King's Bench again attended, to ascertain (as directed) the Number of Prisoners released from the Kings Bench and the amount of the Sums for which they stood charged — and it appears by

by his Return, that the Number of Prisoners released amounts to 805; - and that the Sums they stand charged with amount to £133,306: 4: 2^d

The Solicitor for the Treasury attended and informed the Lords, He was going on as expeditiously, as the multiplicity of Business would permit - That he had not (nor could not) yet have received the several Informations, from all the Magistrates, but was promised the same, and expected it in the course of to morrow; but knew of 26 of the Rioters (against whom Charges of Felony would lie) who had been taken up in the County of Surry.

Whitshed Keene Esq^r attended with the Report of the Officers of the Board of Works, respecting the Damage sustained at the several Goals, and the Estimate of the Expence, and Time necessary for Repair of the same - By which Report it appears, that the Damage sustained at the Prison of the King's Bench - may be computed at the Sum of £18,000 - And that at the Fleet Prison may be computed at £13,000 - That it will be impossible to fit up the same for any Temporary use - but that the best method will be, to re-instate the half of each Prison which may be easily effected in the course of one Year - and then proceed on the remainder which as being more damaged cannot in
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their opinion be completed in less than two Years
 much Damage likewise sustained at the new Bridge
 well, but the same being shut up, impossible to
 give a particular Estimate - Damage at the
 Marshalsea trifling and easily made good.

The Keeper of Newgate attended (having been
 directed so to do) with the opinion of two Chymists
 (whom he had consulted) pursuant to orders
 whether such Effects as appear on the Stones of the
 Prison, could have been caused by Common Fire?
 and whether there must not have been some
 Combustibles used, of a Chymical nature to add
 fury to the Flames? The Chymists of opinion
 that the splitting of the Stones has been occasioned
 by Fire alone - but have no doubt the Goal
 was first set on Fire by combustible matter -

Minutes and Resolutions of a general meeting
 of the Justices of the Peace for Middlesex and
 Westminster, were laid before the Board by
 His Grace the Duke of Northumberland (at the
 desire of the said Justices) who have resolved
 unanimously to put in vigorous Execution all
 such Laws as may be conducive to restore and
 preserve the publick Peace, and diligently to
 enforce all such Matters as have been recommended
 to them, by the Custos Rotulorum, in consequence
 of orders from his Majesty's Privy Council.

The Select Committee to whom it is referred
 to consider all the proceedings &c^a of the Committee
 of the whole Council, and to prepare the Draught of
 a Report to His Majesty, agreed to meet at the
 Earl of Sandwich's at 9 o'Clock this Evening

*Specis of Proceedings
Wednesday Two O'clock*

14 June 1752

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