

M E S S A G E
FROM
B O T H H O U S E S
OF
P A R L I A M E N T

Sent to Y O R K E to the K I N G S most
Excellent Majesty, the 28 of March

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With his Majesties Letter to the Lord Keeper,
in Answer to the same, Dated March the last.

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Sabbathi 2. of April, 1641.

*Ordered by the Lords in Parliament, that the Message
of both Houses to his Majesty, dated 28 of March, 1642,
That the Earle of Warwick might command this Sum-
mers Fleet, in chiefe under the Lord Admirall: and his
Majesties Answer thereunto, shall be forthwith Printed and
published.*

John Browne, Cler. Parliament.

London Printed for Iohn Wright, 1642.

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PARLIAMENT

presented to the King's most Excellent Majesty, the 27 of March

With his Majesty's Answer to the Lord Keeper
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1642.

Printed by J. Sturges, at the Sign of the

Gunpowder, in the Strand, near the Middle Temple, the 27 of March 1642.
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May it please your Majesty,



The Lords and Commons
 in this present Parlia-
 ment assembled, having
 found it necessary to pro-
 vide, and set to Sea, a
 strong and powerfull Na-
 vy for the defence of this
 Kingdome, against for-
 raigne force, and for the
 security of your other

dominions, the chargewhereof, is to be borne by
 the Common-Wealth, and taking notice of the
 indisposition of the Lord Admirall, which disa-
 bles him at this time for commanding the fleet
 in his owne person, did thereupon recommend
 vnto his Lordships the Earle of Warwick (a per-
 of such quality & ability) as in whom they might
 best confide, to supply his Lordships Roome
 for this employment and vnderstanding that your
 Majesty hath since signified your pleasur e concer-
 ning that Command for Sir *John Pennington* wee

do hold it our duty, to represent vnto your Majesty, the great danger and mischief the Common-Wealth is like to sustaine by such Interruption.

And therefore do humbly beseech your Majesty that the person recommended by both Houses of Parliament for this service, may no longer be detayned from it, out of any particular respect to any other person whatsoever.

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To

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To our Right trusty and welbelo-
ved Countellor, *Edward* Lord Lit-
leton, Keeper of our Great Seale
OF ENGLAND.

Right trusty and welbeloved Counsellour,
We greet you well, We wonder both at
the forme and matter of that inclosed Pa-
per yee sent Us, (in the name of both Houses of
Parliament, in yours of the 28. of *March*) it be-
ing neither by way of Petition, Declaration, or
Letter, and for the matter, We beleeve it is the
first time that the Houses of Parliament, have
taken upon them the nomination or Recommen-
dation of the chiefe Sea Commander; but it adds
to the wonder, that Sir John Pennigton being
already appoynted by Us for that service, upon
the Recommendation of Our Admirall, (which
is so well knowne that none can be ignorant of it)
and no fault so much as allegedd against him, an-
other should be recommended to us: Therefore
Our Resolution upon this poynt is, that Wee
will not alter him, whom we have already appoynt-

ted to command this yeares Fleet, whose every way sufficiency is so universally knowne, the which We are confident Our Admirall (if there shall be occasion) will make most evident (against whose Testimony We suppose our Parliament will not except) and though there were yet none appoynted, or the said Sir. John (through some accident) not able to performe the service, yet the men of that Profession, are so well known to Us, (besides many other Reasons) that our Admirall excepted because of his place) Recommendations of that kind, would not be acceptable to Us.

Given at our Court at Yorke, the last of

March, 1642.

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