

EDINBURGH.

29th November, 1720.

SEDERUNT.

*John Wightman,
George Preston,
Robert Grierson,
Hugh Hathorn,*

Baillies, and JUSTICES of His MA-
JESTY'S PEACE.



THE which Day, the Magistrates taking into Con- sideration, the several Complaints laid before them by the Neighbourhood, against the Sol- diers of the CITY-GUARD, for their immoral Practices of horrid Cursing and Swearing, there- by profaning the Sacred NAME of GOD, contrary to his holy Laws and Precepts, hurtful to their own Souls, and offensive to every well disposed Person that hears them. *Therefore*, and for Remead thereof, we do hereby *Statute and Ordain*, That the several Officers of the said Company shall take a clofs Inspection of all under their Command ; That when they either hear, or it being made appear to them, That any of those aforesaid, are guilty of these Crimes laid to their Charge, That for each Oath, they stop One Penny *Sterling* out of their Pay, and put it into the Poores Box, in the said GUARD ; Certifying such, as are oftner than Thrice Guilty, and so found irreclaimable by this Method, That they will be turned out of the CITY SER- VICE. *We likewise* Recommend to the Officers, to give a good Example to all Inferiors ; And that the Soldiers may not pretend to be ignorant hereof, *We order* this ACT to be Read at the Head of the Company ; and afterwards Af- fixt in the GUARD-HALL : *And also*, Appoints thir Pre- sents to be Printed ; and an printed Copy hereof, to be de- livered to every Centinel.

Sic subscribitur

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