423. Whereas by an Order of 16th September the governor or chief commander of each county in Ireland were empowered to grant licences and passes unto the servants of proprietors of corn growing and being without the line, for the reaping, inning, or threshing of the said corn, or bringing it within the line, as in the said Order is more particularly directed and expressed, it is now further ordered that the time granted for the same exceed not the space of one month from the day of the date hereof. And in case any such corn shall be found after that time without the line (except secured within the command of some garrison) the same shall be forfeited to the Commonwealth. 21 Sept. *Ib.* f. 592.

424. Ordered that the Earl of Westmeath be licensed to transport a regiment of Irish foot into Spain. 28 Sept. *Ib.* f. 585.

426. The Commissioners to the Committee of Parliament for Irish Affairs.

" . . . We have written to the Parliament, and therein presented the difficulty of pursuing the late Instructions according to the letter of them, and how we intend to proceed until their further pleasure be made known unto us. In the meantime we have published the Instructions, and have sent commissions into each county in Ireland to inquire, by the nearest estimate and testimony upon oath, what lands each proprietor hath in every barony, the quantity and value thereof, who were the respective owners in the year 1641, and who claim the same now etc., which commissions are now in expectation; and we are now preparing commissions and instructions to send out in pursuance of the enclosed [wanting] votes.

" We have likewise written to the Council of State to know their pleasure how far the Articles upon the surrender of Galway are to be made good, the same being not yet confirmed by Parliament that we know of. It is necessary to give some resolution concerning them, because much of this work of removal will depend thereupon; for, if the Articles be confirmed, all the forfeited lands in the County of Galway, and two-third parts of the forfeited lands in the province at

large will be thereby given to the Irish and other delinquent proprietors, most of the proprietors of that province being included (as is conceived) in those Articles; and if so, the lands in the Commonwealth's dispose within that province and Clare will probably fall much short of giving satisfaction to the Irish proprietors of the other three provinces, according to the Act of Settlement. We desire your favour for a resolution in this particular and that you will be pleased to communicate your advice to us in this important affair as often as you have opportunity." 7 Oct. Domestic Corresp. A/90. 50. f. 541-2.

426. Same to Captain Robert Story.

" We have intelligence of a design in France for some attempts upon Ireland, and that Prince Rupert, with some Irish commanders, is in some readiness to put to sea for the management of it, and not conceiving it safe to be too secure in a business of that consequence, if it should be real, we desire you, with the first opportunity of wind and weather, to sail with the frigate under your command to the west of Ireland, there to ply constantly to and fro between the Old Head of Kinsale and the mouth of the Shannon. . . ." 12 Oct. *Ib.* f. 540.

427. Ordered that Colonel Hercules Loe be licensed to raise 2100 Irish foot and transport them into Spain. 19 Oct. Orders A/84. 44. ff. 640-2.

428. Ordered that Colonel Edmund O'Dwyer be licensed to transport 3500 Irish into Flanders. 19 Oct. *Ib.* f. 642.

429. Monthly assessments as settled from 1st November till 1st May following:

Precinct	Monthly Assessment	Monthly Forage
Dublin . . .	£3600 0 0	£614 3 4
Wexford . . .	750 0 0	137 10 0
Belfast and Londonderry . . .	4150 0 0	760 10 0
Galway . . .	3200 0 0	504 3 4
Waterford . .	570 10 0	78 0 4
Limerick . . .	1700 0 0	293 6 8