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Dispatches, of which the following are copies, have been received from his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, by his Grace, the Duke of Portland, his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department:

MY LORD, Kilkenny, 26th June 1798.

Fearing the consequences that might result from allowing the rebels who fled from Wexford to remain any length of time in this county, I preferred attacking them with the troops I already had, to waiting till a reinforcement arrived. My force amounted to 1100 men—the rebels consisted of about 5000. I attacked them this morning at six o'clock, in their position on Kilkonnel Hill, near Gore's Bridge, and soon defeated them. Their chief, called Murphy, and upwards of 1000 men, were killed. Ten pieces of cannon, two swivels, their colours, and quantities of ammunition, arms, cattle, &c. were taken; and I have the pleasure to add, that some soldiers, who were made prisoners the day before, and doomed to suffer death, were fortunately released by our troops.

Our loss consisted of only seven men killed and wounded. The remainder of the rebels were pursued into the county of Wexford, where they dispersed in different directions.

I feel particularly obliged to Major Mathews, of the Downshire militia, who, at a short notice, and with great alacrity, marched with four hundred men of his regiment and Captain Polé's, and the yeomanry corps of Maryborough, under the command of Captain Gore, to cooperate with me. Lord Loftus, and Lieut.-Col. Ram, of the Wexford militia; Lieut.-Col. Howard, and Lieut.-Col. Ratcliffe, of the Wicklow; Major Donaldson of the 9th dragoons, who commanded the cavalry, as well as all the officers and privates, are entitled to my thanks for their spirited exertions. Nor can I withhold the praise which is so justly due to all the yeomanry corps employ-

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ed on this occasion; and I also beg leave to mention my Aid-de-camp, Capt. Ogle, and Lieut. Higgins of the 9th dragoons, who has acted as my Brigade Major.

I have the honour to be, my Lord,

(Signed) CHA. ASGILL, Major-Gen.

*Message of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to both Houses of Parliament, 27th June 1798.*

CORNWALLIS.

I am commanded by his Majesty to acquaint the House of Lords\*, That several of his Majesty's regiments of English militia have voluntarily offered their services to be employed in aid of his regular and militia forces in this kingdom during the present unhappy rebellion, for the purpose of assisting in the suppression thereof; and that his Majesty having been graciously pleased to recommend it to his Parliament of Great Britain to enable him to accept this spirited offer, an act for that purpose has passed accordingly.

In consequence thereof, I am further commanded by his Majesty, to recommend it to you to take into immediate consideration the measures which may be necessary in order that this kingdom may avail itself in the fullest manner of this striking and seasonable proof of ardent zeal and attachment towards his Majesty's person and Government, and affectionate concern for the interests and safety of his Majesty's faithful and loyal subjects in Ireland.

\* A similar message was sent to the House of Commons.

*Address of the House of Lords in Ireland to his Majesty.*

To the KING'S Most Excellent Majesty,  
The humble Address of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,  
We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the

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