

to a People deeply interested in the Happiness of so excellent a Sovereign, and so fully sensible of the inestimable public Blessings, which they have, without Interruption, enjoyed under your Illustrious House.

We acknowledge it as a particular Instance of your Majesty's tender Concern for the Welfare of this Kingdom, that you have been graciously pleased to appoint a Chief Governor to preside over us, of whose approved Fidelity to your Majesty, and steady Attachment to your Royal House, we are fully persuaded; and of whose Honour, Integrity, Justice, and other eminent Qualities, we have conceived the highest Opinion.

We are most gratefully affected with your Majesty's Goodness, in having made Use of the Credits given to your Government in the last Session of Parliament, in no other Proportion than as the Necessity of your Service exactly required: And we shall, with the greatest Cheerfulness, continue the necessary Supplies for the Support of your Majesty's Government, with a proper Attention to the Reduction of the public Debt.

We have seen, with the deepest Concern, the tumultuous Risings of the lower People, in Contempt of Law, of Magistracy, and every Constitutional Subordination; which, if not duly attended to, must be productive of the most fatal Consequences, and which we are fully sensible, are disgraceful to a Country of Liberty, and ruinous to a Country of Commerce.

We are convinced, that no Means can more effectually prevent the like Disorders for the Future, than the Encouragement of such Institutions as tend to impress on the Minds of the lower Order of People, early Habits of Industry, and true Principles of Religion; and for this desirable Purpose, we shall continue our Care, Encouragement and Support of the Protestant Charter Schools, and shall have the strictest Attention to every Method, by which our Linen Manufacture may be improved and extended.

We beg Leave humbly to assure your Majesty, that we shall be actuated, in our future Proceedings, by the same Principles of Duty and Loyalty, by the same unbiassed Regard to the Public, that recommended our Conduct in the last Session of Parliament, to the Approbation of the best of Princes; and that we shall always consider the Continuance of your Majesty's Royal Protection, as the sure and solid Foundation of our Welfare and Prosperity.

E. Sterling, } Cler. Dom. Com.  
H. Alcock, }

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant's Answer.

*I Will forthwith transmit this dutiful and loyal Address to be laid before His Majesty.*

To his Excellency Hugh Earl of Northumberland, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland,

The humble Address of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled.

*May it please your Excellency,*  
We the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, attend your Excellency with the utmost Cheerfulness, to return our Thanks for your Speech delivered from the Throne, and to congratulate your Excellency upon your joyful Arrival here, to take upon you the Government of this Kingdom.

We have expressed our warmest Gratitude to His Majesty for this Instance of His paternal Attention to our Welfare: And we assure your Excellency, that we consider your eminent Virtues, your amiable

Temper, and the extensive Endowments of your Mind, the Gifts of Nature improved by wise Cultivation, as calculated in an especial Manner, for the Ornament and the Benefit of Society, and most peculiarly adapted to the honourable and useful Discharge of the great Trust, which His Majesty has, happily for us, committed to your Hands.

It is our Duty to return our most sincere Thanks to your Excellency, for communicating those important and interesting Events, which have occurred since the Close of our last Session of Parliament; and we can never fail to take our full Share in the general Joy, upon every Accession to the Honour of the Crown, to the Interests of Great Britain, and to their Majesty's domestic Happiness.

Your Excellency, by the most engaging Expressions, has raised in our Minds a Sense of every Duty, and awakened every Attention, which can contribute to our Security and Welfare: And if any Extension of our Commerce, any Improvements in our Manufactures, or Agriculture, if Industry and Sobriety, if Peace and due Subordination among the People, if true Religion and Virtue should be the happy Results of the Endeavours we are determined to exert towards the Encouragement of these Principles and Habits; when we hereafter reap the Fruits of our Labours, we shall with Pleasure reflect upon the Season when the Seeds were sown, and gratefully acknowledge the Debt we owe to your Excellency's Admonitions, your Influence, and your still more prevailing Example.

It is not your Excellency's high Rank, nor the Splendor of your Titles, nor the Greatness of your Possessions, which alone excite the public Admiration; but those Advantages, accompanied by every valuable Endowment, and by every benevolent Disposition of the Mind, so eminently distinguished in your Excellency, must ever secure to you that Tribute of Respect and Affection, which is now now so generally and so willingly paid.

We assure your Excellency, that we will steadily persevere in that Course of Loyalty and dutiful Attachment to the best and most beloved of Kings, which His Majesty has been so graciously pleased to approve. And as we have the firmest Reliance on your Excellency's kind Intentions towards us, we shall use every Means in our Power for the Support, Honour and Ease of an Administration, which already is so acceptable, and must prove so beneficial to the Public.

Hen. Baker Sterne, Cler. Parliamentor.

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant's Answer.

My Lords,

*I Am extremely happy in the favourable Opinion you are pleased to entertain and express of my Character and my Intentions; my Conduct, during my Administration, will not, I hope, fall altogether short of those very flattering Expectations. An ardent Zeal for His Majesty's Service, and an earnest Attention to the Public Welfare, are the Principles by which I shall be invariably directed; and these I know cannot fail to secure to me from your Lordships, the most favourable Construction of my Actions, and the most cordial Assistance in all my Endeavours.*

To his Excellency Hugh, Earl of Northumberland, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland,

The humble Address of the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses in Parliament assembled.

*May it please your Excellency,*  
We the Commons of Ireland, in Parliament assembled, return your Excellency our most sincere