

devised to promote good Education, and of your Grace's Readiness to afford us your cordial Assistance.

We will exert ourselves, under your Grace's Encouragement, to regulate the Police, and to make such Provisions for the Public Tranquillity, as may promote a just Subordination and Obedience to the Laws.

We beg Leave to assure your Grace, that having the most sacred Regard for our Constitution in Church and State, we will neglect no Means for its Preservation. We will resist every Attempt to diminish the Authority and Dignity of Parliament; and repeating our former Declaration "to stand and fall with the British Empire," we will cultivate, with unremitting Attention, the Union which subsists between the Sister Kingdoms, and which is so essential to the Prosperity of Ireland.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Answer.

I Return you my sincere Thanks for this very obliging Address, and for that true Satisfaction with which I am gratified by your Approbation of my Government. The Restoration of good Order and Tranquillity, and the Promotion of the Prosperity and true Interests of Ireland, are the anxious Wishes of my Heart, and shall be the constant Objects of my earnest Attention.

To His Grace Charles Duke of Rutland, Lord Lieutenant General, and General Governor of Ireland.

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

May it please your Grace,

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland, in Parliament assembled, approach your Grace with the strongest Sentiments of Affection to your Person, and Approbation of your Government.

During a Period of Difficulty, which required the happiest tempering of Firmness with Moderation, the successful Exercise of your personal and hereditary Virtues has confirmed the pleasing Hope we early conceived of your Administration, and excites our ardent Wishes for its long Continuance.

Those Acts of Outrage, which for a Time disgraced the Metropolis, raise in us the utmost Abhorrence; nor have the Attempts which have been directed against the Constitution excited in us no less Indignation.

Your Grace's spirited Disapprobation of these Excesses, and your manly Efforts to control them, merit our Applause, and receive our warmest Acknowledgements.

Regard for the Honor and Dignity of the Crown, and the Interests of the Nation, will dispose us to model our Supplies, so as may evince our Loyalty to our Sovereign, and our Attention to the Happiness of His People.

From the gracious Manner in which His Majesty has condescended to recommend a final Settlement of Trade and Commerce between Great Britain and Ireland, we have ample Reason to be convinced of the good Effects of your Grace's Representations, and the Weight of your Interposition. In particular we acknowledge your Grace's Wisdom, which, disdaining the Life of temporary Expedients, has adopted the nobler Work of a complete and final Settlement. We shall eagerly pursue the wise Principles which your Grace has pointed out for this Arrangement, and endeavour to form a System on such a Basis as may secure its Permanence.

We humbly thank your Grace for directing our Attention to the Improvement of Agriculture, the Extension of our Manufactures, and the particular Encouragement of the Fisheries on our Coasts.

It is the strongest Testimony of His Majesty's parental Solicitude for the Happiness of all His People, that He has directed us to unite our liberal Protection of particular Institutions with a more univer-

sal Cultivation of good Education. To the strong Incitements of our own Feelings, we have the additional Encouragement of your Grace's Assistance, and the Assurance of His Majesty's Patronage.

We should be insensible to your Grace's Exertions for the Tranquillity and Prosperity of the Kingdom, if we were to remit our Endeavours for the Establishment of salutary Provisions, which, by regulating the Police, giving Vigor to the Laws, and repressing Licentiousness, will at the same Time inculcate the Virtues of Constitutional Obedience, and give Protection to honest Industry.

We shall ever hold sacred the true Principles of our Constitution in Church and State. We will strenuously resist every Attempt to lower the Dignity of the Legislature, or invade its Authority; and we will cultivate with unremitting Ardor the closest Union with our Sister Kingdom.

Tho. Ellis, Cler. Parl. Dom. Com.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Answer.

I Return you my cordial Thanks for this Address, and am happy to find the Conduct of my Administration so honorably distinguished by your Approbation. The Wisdom of your Councils, directed by your zealous Attachment to the true Interests of this Country, will ever be a sure Guide to me in my anxious Wishes and strenuous Exertions to secure the Tranquillity, and promote in every Thing the Welfare and Happiness of the People of Ireland.

Caserta, December 28.

Every Precaution is seriously employed here to keep off the Plague, which by the latest Accounts rages at present at Tunis, and its Environs, with as much Violence as if it had declared itself in the Midst of Summer. According to those Accounts no less than Thirty-two Thousand People have been already carried off by this Calamity.

The Earthquakes, which had ceased Calabria and Sicily for some Weeks, have again been sensibly felt, and prove a great Discouragement to the Operations carrying on for the Benefit of those afflicted Countries, particularly at Messina, which has been declared a free Port, and where the Buildings were actually begun.

Admiralty-Office, January 27, 1785.

PURSUANT to an Act of Parliament passed in the Twenty-sixth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, this is to give Notice to the Concerned, that Information has been sent to this Office, That on the 4th of this Month the Brigantine Jaffrouw Anna Louisa, whereof Andris Hilles Visser was Master, laden with Salt, and bound from St. Ubes to Pirna, was stranded at Niton on the South Part of the Isle of Wight.

Ph. Stephens.

Navy-Office, January 19, 1785.

IN Obedience to His Majesty's Order in Council of the 4th of February, 1784, the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have been pleased to direct, that Nineteen Chaplains of the Royal Navy, who have served longest on board His Majesty's Ships during the late Hostilities with the United States of America, France, Spain, and the States-General of the United Provinces, be added to the List of those entitled to the Bounty formerly granted by His Majesty's Order in Council of the 1st of February, 1765, under the same Provisions as therein mentioned; and that Four of the said Nineteen be allowed Two Shillings and Sixpence a Day, and the remaining Fifteen Two Shillings a Day, to commence on the 1st of January, 1784, Notice is hereby given to such Chaplains as have been actually borne and mustered during the Space of Four Years, between the 29th of August,