

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

A Declaration Sign'd by the Lord-Lieutenant, the High Sheriff, the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and the Grand-Jury, at the General Goal-delivery for the County of Rutland, held at Okeham the 10th of March, 1681. in the 34th Year of Your Majesties Reign, and the first Assizes of the Midland Circuit.

Most Dread Sovereign,

WE Your Majesties most obedient and faithful Subjects, not hereunto induced by Precedents of this nature sent to Your Majesty from several Parts of your Kingdom, but out of a deep sense of our Allegiance, and the powerful Obligations of Conscience, do in all Humility lay this Application at the Feet of Your Sacred Person, desiring hereby to express, and publickly to declare, That we do from the bottom of our hearts detest and abhor that most wicked and Traiterous Association, not long since luckily and timely found seized on, and prevented in its Progress: A Conspiracy, by all truly Loyal Subjects, seriously to be abominated, especially such Subjects as we, who live under the Influences of the Government of a most Gracious, most Merciful, and the best of Kings. A Conspiracy, disguised and vizarded with fair Pretensions of contriving matters for defence of Your Majesty; but, in the explicated design and drift thereof, directly tending to the Subversion of Your Regal Power, if not to the Destruction of Your Royal Person also. And we do hereby further declare, That We do detest and Abhor all Associations whatsoever, not made and Warranted unto Your Majesties Approbation and Concurrence; and that we will cheerfully sacrifice our Lives and Estates for the just preservation of Your Majesty, the Rights of the Crown in the Legal Descent, and the Religion by Law Established. And while it shall be the Good Will and Pleasure of the Almighty to continue Your Majesties Reign over us, which He Grant may be long and happy, we shall (as in Duty bound) heartily and constantly Pray, That no Prosperity may attend those Weapons which are Forged against You; and that every Hand, which in any Rebellious Action shall be held up against your Majesty, may be withered for ever.

We the Grand Inquest for the County of Southampton, at the Assizes held at the Castle of Winton, the 8th day of March, 1681. have most cheerfully and unanimously, according to our Duty, Declared this our Detestation and Abhorrence of the detestable Association, lately designed, and which we humbly recommend to the Honourable Bench, for their Concurrence therein.

Most Gracious and Dread Sovereign,

WE Your Majesties most Loyal and Obedient Subjects, being deeply sensible of our great Obligations to Your Sacred Majesty, under whose Authority and Gracious Government we are Blest with the happy Enjoyment of our Religion, Property, and all that is dear unto us; having received full Assurances from Your Majesties frequent Declarations of Your Royal Protection therein; cannot but express our most humble Thanks for so transcendent a Favour, by Declaring our Detestation and Abhorrence of the Ingratitude, Treachery, and Villany of those ill Men, who have used all crafty Practices and Endeavours, to debauch the

Minds of unstable Men into Rebellion and Civil War and particularly by that project of Association found among the Papers of the Earl of Shaftesbury, and produced at the Old-Bailey; being an Act, not only of the most execrable Ingratitude, but of the foulest Treason also against Your Majesties Crown and Dignity; and tending to Subversion of the established Government, both of Church and State. All which, as in Conscience, and by the Bonds of our Allegiance we are bound to Defend, So we humbly desire to assure Your Sacred Majesty; that our Lives and Fortunes shall on all occasions be ready at Your Majesties Service, for the asserting the Prerogatives of Your Imperial Crown, and the Lineal and Lawful Succession thereof, and the Church of England, as by Law established, against all Faction and Rebellious Practices, whether Popish or Phanatical whatsoever.

This being proposed to the Bench for their Concurrence, they unanimously consented hereto.

Plymouth, March 17. Yesterday Morning His Majesties Ship the Tiger Prize, Capt. Aylmore Commander, with the Merchants Ships under her Convoy, set Sail with a fair wind for the Streights.

Portsmouth, March 19. On Friday the Ruby Frigate, Capt. Allen Commander, came into this Harbor to re-fit. The Phoenix continues still at Spithead.

Advertisements.

☞ The Learned Mr. Matthew Pool, having Completed his First Volume of English Synopses, of Annotations on the Holy Bible, and gone so forward as to make Proposals of his own for that Purpose, and likewise obtained His Majesties Gracious Letter of License, he being since deceased, and the Work now fallen into other hands, who design it for the Advantage of the Publick. The Undertakers do offer these Proposals in order to the Printing of it. 1. That this first Volume reacheth to the end of *Ishab*. 2. That it will consist of about 300 Shets. 3. The Price 10 in Hand, and 15 at the Delivery of a Book. 4. They that subscribe for 6, to have a 7th gratis. 5. This Volume to be Finished by *Midsummer*. 6. There are Persons of approved Learning and Integrity, that will take up the Work where Mr. Pool hath left, and finish the whole Bible in 2 Volumes. 7. Therefore all who are willing to Promote so great and useful a Work, would send in their Subscriptions by *February* next; to the Undertakers, *Thomas Purkiss*, at the Bible and three Crowns in *Chapside*, *Dorset* *Newman*, *Thomas Cokeril*, and *Benjamin Alsop*, in the *Partry*, who will give Receipts for the same and give out the Proposals more at large, and Specimen.

☞ There is in the Press, ready to be Published, the Catalogue of the much celebrated Library of *Richard Smith* Gent. late of *London*, Deceased; being a Collection of very choice and excellent Books of Divinity, Philology, Physick, but more especially History, both Ancient and Modern, Foreign and Domestick: also of Epistles and Lives of all sorts of Persons famous for Learning, Nobility, Arms, &c. With several rare and curious Manuscripts. The said Library will be Exposed to Sale by way of Auction, in *Great St. Bartholomews-Closet, London*, on Monday the 15th of *May* next: By *Richard Cuswell*, Bookseller, at whose Shop, at the *Rose and Crown*, in *St. Pauls Church-yard*, the Catalogues will be delivered gratis.

☞ Toleh or Strayed, on Friday night last, from Mr. Ludgill, at *Stagg-stone*, in *Shoreditch* Parish, a brown bay Mare, about 15 hands high, a cut Tail, Trotseafie, hangs her Fars a little, nine years old. Whoever can procure her shall have their reasonable Charges born, and forty shillings Reward.

☞ Lost from his Profession, of *Milend*, the 17th Instant, a little Bay Nag, 13 hands high, a Star in his Forehead, Pages well, four years old, black Man and Tail. Whoever gives Notice of him to John Preston at *St. Pauls*, or to Mr. Thomas Cokeril, at the *Byring-pan*, in *Thames-street*, shall have 20 s Reward.