

nation of all the Royal Family, descended from an ancient Race of Kings, besides Thousands of Your most devoted Subjects. May Heaven still give You Protection, but never may You want it on this account more. We cannot but with all humble acknowledgements receive Your Majesties most Gracious Declaration, so indulgently sent among all Your Subjects, with that powerful Authority, and convincing truth that all good men with amazement believe it, and none but a Traitor dare deny it. Since Providence hath so often interposed, even by Miracles to preserve you, be pleased so far to indulge Your Subjects (whose well being, and Happiness, depends on the Safety of Your Sacred Person) as to let that be Your greatest care, for 'tis high time, to be jealous, when Fanatick Villains dare so far, and would do more, had they but opportunity and Power, which we hope they never shall, and beg of Heaven, and Your Majesty, they never may have, no, not so much as a pernicious Conventicle to sit upon Treason, and hatch Rebellion in; and we the more earnestly beg this, since it is manifest, that the growth of Dissenters will be the ruine of the Crown, and Church, also. And now (Dread Sir) give us leave, with all Humility and Loyalty, to repeat our faithful Vows (which we do heartily, willingly, and unfeignedly) to stand by Your Sacred Majesty, with our Lives and Fortunes, in defence of Your Royal Person, Your Heirs and Successors, and the Government in Church and State, as now by Law established; against all kind of Enemies whatsoever. This we were born for, this is the business of our Life, and thus acting, it will be our Glory to dye,

Most Dread Sovereign,
Your Majesties most Humble, most Dutiful,
and Faithful Subjects and Servants.

We whose Names are subscribed, Justices of the Peace for the said County, do concur with the Gentlemen of the Grand-Jury, in the Address above-written.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Grand-Jury and Justices of the Peace of the County of Monmouth, assembled together at the Assizes held for the said County, at Monmouth, the 15th day of August, in the xxxv. Year of Your Majesty's Reign, Annoq; Dom. 1683.

WE your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects being deeply sensible of the late horrid, damnable, and unparalleled Conspiracy against your Sacred Majesties Person and Government, and your dear Brother His Royal Highness the Duke of York; contrived and acted by men of Base, Traiterous, and Seditious Principles, designing to stir up the People of these your Majesties Kingdoms, to another Civil and Intestine War, and to alter the Government both in Church and State; Do hereby declare that we do from our hearts unfeignedly abhor and detest all such hellish and bloody Conspiracies, and the Abettors thereof. And that we will to the last Man, with our Lives and Estates, defend your Majesty from all such Traiterous Conspirators, and maintain your Majesty and the Royal Succession in the right Line, with the Rights and Prerogatives of the Crown, against all persons whatsoever. And we humbly beseech your Majesty to believe that no pretence, how specious soever, shall make us degenerate in the least from our Duty and Allegiance.

And we do sincerely offer our Prayers to Almighty God (who hath so signally delivered You from so many Dangers) to continue your Majesty and your Royal Family over us and our Posterity in these Kingdoms, unto the Worlds end.

To the King's most Sacred Majesty.

The most humble Address and unfeigned Protestation of the Mayor, Recorder, Bayliffs, Common-Council, Grand-Jury, and Commonalty of Your Majesty's Town and Borough of Monmouth, Assembled at the General Quarter-Sessions there held the 27th. day of August, in the Five and thirtieth Year of Your Majesty's Reign.

Most Dread Sovereign,

With all humbleness and Duty we desire once more to approach the Throne of your Sacred Majesty, to declare there as to the whole World, our sense and horror of the late Execrable Treason and Traiterous Conspiracy against Your Sacred Person, and Your Royal and Dearest Brother, the fruits of a most ungodly and impious Association, to render Heaven our thanks for that Mercy, we found in Your Preservation; And to implore that Divine Providence (which by most signal and repeated Deliverances, hath sufficiently convinced all Mankind it is Your Right to Regn, and must) still to be our Defender, as Your Majesty is of our Lives and Religion, to the disappointment of all Conspirators and De-

vils, not worthy to be called Men, their actions speaking no Humanity in them; No Pagans or Infidels under the obligations of so much Mercy to their Sovereign, would have hearts to act what their protesting Christianity, have attempted, seeing their Villains, surmount all Mercies and their Cruelties equals that of Wolves and Tygers (who would be counted their Countries best Patriots) we shall trust them equally; and when our Duty, and Your Majesties Service shall require it shall treat them so, with hearts and hands devoted to their Destruction. There is no room left now to doubt it, had You fallen by their bloody hands (which Heaven in Mercy to Your Subjects hath prevented) our selves had been to their Rage the following Sacrifice, Your three Kingdoms made the Fields of Blood, and the best Government, and the best Religion had set with You (Great Sir) their Sun. These considerations making our Allegiance and Duty greater than we can pay You, or ever Subjects owed to a Sovereign.

We do with all the Sincerity that the hearts of Men can have or our tongues express, as well declare our abhorrence of the Conspiracy and Traitors, as our unfeigned Resolves to stand by Your Majesty, Your Exemplar and happy Government in Church and State, your Royal Family, and the Right Succession of Your Crown, to the last Extremity; That our Posterity may continue with the same Zeal and faithful Allegiance; That your Throne may be guarded by the same Providence, that even to Miracles, and the Attainment of Your Body Enemies, hath hitherto preserved You; And that Your Reign may be Glorious, long and happy, shall be our incessant Prayers, who are, and to the last moment of our Lives, will be Your Majesties most faithful and Loyal Subjects and Servants.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Grand Jury, at the Assizes for the County of Cornwall, holden at Lantock, the first of August, 1683.

Most Dread Sovereign,

HAVING seriously considered the unspeakable happiness which we have enjoyed ever since Your Majesty's Restoration, in a long and secure Peace, and abundant plenty of all things, in the Exercise of the truest Religion; and the free course of most just and equitable Laws, which next unto Divine Providence we ought to attribute unto your Majesties most wise and gracious Government, and comparing this happy Estate with those miserable Calamities which afflicted us in the time of the late unnatural Rebellion, and those sad misfortunes of War and Blood-shed, which have since infected the neighbouring Nations. We are struck with equal horror and amazement, to find Men among us, professing the names of Christians so ungrateful to God, and your Majesty, as not only to neglect that duty and obedience which they owe to your Majesty by all Laws, Divine and Humane, but also to be guilty of such horrid Designs and Practices, as no Age nor Story can parallel, endeavouring by the Parricide of your Majesty and Royal Brother, to embrew the Nation in Blood, dissolve the best constitution of Government in the World, and destroy the soundest and most Primitive Church at this time professing Christianity.

We therefore (most Dread Sovereign) according to our Duty, humbly and sincerely acknowledge and bless that Almighty Providence, which hath so often and so miraculously appeared in your Majesties preservation, as that Your Majesties History is sufficient to convince the most stubborn Artists in the World; and do declare unto the World our abhorrence and just detestation of all such impious Principles, and more Hellish Practices; and withal, humbly lay at your Majesties Feet, the offer of our Lives and Fortunes, which we solemnly protest most cheerfully to expend, in defence of your most Sacred Majesty, and all Your Lawful Heirs and Successors.

Lastly, As with all Joy imaginable we bless Divine Providence for the former deliverance of your most Sacred Person, so we most affectionately beg the same Divine Providence, still to preserve both your most Gracious Majesty, and the Religion established among us; which indispensably requires, as to give unto God the things that are God's, so to give unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE your Majesties most Loyal and most Obedient Subjects, the Mayor, or Portrieve, and Burgeses of Your Majesties Ancient Borough of St. Mawes, in the County of Cornwall, Do with the greatest Transport of Joy and hearty Thankfulness, devoutly offer up our unfeigned Thanks to Almighty God, for the happy Discovery of that late horrid and damnable Plot and Conspiracy against the Life of your Sacred Majesty, and Dearest Brother, James, Duke of York; Humbly beseeching the Almighty Sovereign of Heaven and Earth, to infatuate the Councils, and confound the Machinations of all Your Enemies. And that your Majesty may have a long and prosperous Reign over us, and after You,