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The Following Adresses have been presented to his Majesty, who received them very Graciously.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty,

WE your Majesties Loyal and Dutifull Subjects the Governor, Assistants and Fellowship of Merchants of Eastland, do heartily lament the death of that most Excellent Prince, our late dread Sovereign, whose life is made up to us by the righteous and peaceable Succession, of your most Sacred Majesty, to the ancient Throne of your Royal Ancestors:

And therefore (as in duty bound) we are ready to defend your Majesties Person and Government, with what power is near and dear unto Us; humbly submitting to your Royal Will and Pleasure in the payment of the Customes.

And we shall ever pray to Almighty God for your Majesties long and prosperous Reign.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Deputy Governor, and Committee of the Hudsons Bay Company.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesties most Loyal and obedient Subjects, in the great sense of our Duty and biggest Obligations, do most unfeign'dly Congratulate your Majesties glorious and peaceable ascending the Throne of your most Serene Ancestors, whereunto the Providence of Almighty God, and your own undoubted Title hath now advanced you. And as we doubt not of your Majesties gracious and powerful Protection, so we will never fail to shew our most dutifull Allegiance to your Crown and Dignity, both in paying our Customes and tending all dutifull Obedience with our Lives and Fortunes to your Majesty, and also in praying for your Majesties long and happy Reign.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Principal Rates, and Fellows of the Society of Cliffords-Lun.

Dread SIR,

WE your Majesties most loyal and obedient Subjects, with all humble Condole the Death of his late Majesty of blessed Memory. We praise Almighty God, that (notwithstanding the wicked and pernicious designs of your Enemies) he hath placed your Majesty upon the Throne of your Kingdoms in Quietness and Peace. We pray for your Majesties long and prosperous Reign, and that one of your Royal Line may never wantime to succeed you while the World endures. And we, as your Majesties most loyal and obedient Subjects, for the preservation of your Majesties Royal Person and Government, prostrate our Lives and Fortunes at your Majesties feet.

To His most Excellent Majesty King JAMES the Second.

The humble Address and Declaration of Your Majesties Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Officers of the Militia, Justices of the Peace, and other Gentlemen of the County of Dorset, the Eleventh day of February, in the First Year of Your Majesties Reign,

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That we your Majesty's most Dutifull and Loyal Subjects, being met (according to our Duty) to P.

claim unto Your Majesties Liege People and all the World; Thus (by the death of our late Gracious Sovereign, Your Royal Brother, of most Blessed Memory) your Majesty is become the Right and Lawful King, and Sovereign Lord, of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, &c. We have presum'd on this Occasion, to renew, to your most Sacred Majesty, our often repeated Vows to our said late Sovereign, by this Solemn Declaration (which proceeds from hearts full of Loyalty, and Duty:) That we are, and will ever be ready upon all Occasions to defend your most Sacred Person, your Lawful Heirs and Successors, and the Government, as by Law Established, with the utmost hazard of our Lives and Fortunes.

Which we humbly beseech your Majesty Graciously to accept of from Us
your Majesties Most Obedient and Loyal Subjects.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lieutenant, Noblemen, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the County of Stafford.

AS we are sensibly Afflicted, for the Death of our late Sovereign, so we acknowledge Gods great mercy to us, in giving us your Majesty for his Successor. We with all duty imaginable, return our most humble thanks for your Majesties most Gracious Declaration in Council, that you would preserve this Government both in Church and State as it is now by Law Established: Begging your Majesty to believe we value our Lives and Fortunes inconsiderably in Comparison of the Allegiance we of Duty owe and shall ever pay you.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant, High-Sheriff, Deputy Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the County of Oxon: whose Names are Underwritten, February the 11th, 1684.

Great Sir,

IN the midst of our Sorrows for the loss of so good and Gracious a Prince as your most Serene Brother our late Sovereign, it was no little Comfort to us to hear that your Majesty by an undoubted right is peaceably seated on the Imperial Throne of this Kingdom, which hath been long and happily enjoyed by your Royal Ancestors. And we humbly beg leave to pay our Duty not only in congratulating your Sacred Majesty therein, but also in presenting the sincere gratitude of our hearts for your Majesties late Gracious Declaration in your Council: Which is by your Sacred Majesties assuring us that you will follow the Example of our said late Gracious Sovereign in clemency and tenderness to your people. And that you will defend and support the Church of England, with the Members thereof, and preserve the good Government of this Kingdom both in Church and State as now established by Law, You leave us nothing to be desired of you, and highly engage us most earnestly to pray to God, That we may long continue the happiest people in the World under such a Government, of so Gracious a Prince. And that this County hath heretofore signalized its Loyalty both to your Royal Brother and Father of Blessed Memory in its late bad and rebellious times: So we beg leave, humbly to assure your Majesty, That we will never be wanting in our Duties to you, but readily expose our Lives and Fortunes