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Whitehall, Octob. 10.

HIS Majesty having received several Complaints of great Abuses and Irregularities committed in the late Regulations of the Corporations, has thought fit to authorize and require the Lords-Lieutenants of the several Counties to inform themselves of all such Abuses and Irregularities within their Lieutenancies, and to make forthwith Report thereof to His Majesty, together with what they conceive fit to be done for redressing the same: Whereupon His Majesty will give such farther Orders as shall be requisite.

The following Address has been presented to the King, which His Majesty received very Graciously.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Justices of the Peace for the County of Cumberland, assembled at the general Quarter-Sessions of the Peace holden for the said County the third day of October, 1688. And also of several others the Gentlemen of the said County, whose names are hereunto Subscrib'd.

May it please Your Majesty,

THE unexpected News of the intended Invasion of the Dutch fills us with all Horror and Amazement, That any Nation should be so transcendently wicked as groundlessly to interrupt the Peace and Happiness we have enjoyed under Your Majesties most Gracious Government: Therefore we highly think it our Duty, chiefly at this Juncture, to offer our Lives and Fortunes to Your Majesties Service, and assure Your Majesty, That all that Allegiance and Loyalty indispensably due to you shall be carefully and industriously promoted by us, not doubting but your former happy Success will always attend the Justice of your Majesties Arms, and quickly confound the Designs of that upstart Antimonarchical Government. Lastly, if your Majesty shall think fit to display your Royal Standard, which we heartily wish and hope you'll never have occasion for; we faithfully promise to repair to it with our Persons and Interests, there in Demonstration of Our Loyalty to Sacrifice them both for the Preservation of your Majesties Crown and Dignity, whose Reign we heartily wish may be long and prosperous. Your Majesties most Obedient and Loyal Subjects.

From the Venetian Camp before Negrepont, Aug. 10. The Resolution being taken to Attack Negrepont, and the Troops embarked, the Doge set Sail with the Fleet from Porto Porro on the 7th of the last Month, having sent Signior Venier before with a Squadron of Ships and Gallies. A Dutch Ship laden with Provisions and Ammunition was lost in going out, but the Men were saved; The weather was very tempestuous for several days, so that it

was the 12th before the light Ships could enter into the Channel of Negrepont. The 13th the Troops were all landed. The 14th the Doge, accompanied with General Coningsmark and the Ingenier Veneda, went to observe the Situation of the place, its advanced Posts, and Avenues. The 15th and 16th were employed in ordering and settling the Quarters and Lines of Circumvallation. The 17th Signior Venier landed his Men on the side of Sciro. The 18th arrived 8 Gallies commanded by Signior Pisani. The 19th and 20th the Ships came in with the Provisions and Ammunition. The 21th 200 Albaneses arrived in the Camp, assuring us That a greater number would follow them. The 22th the Trenches were opened. The 23th we began to raise our Batteries, on which and our Trenches we continued to work the days following. The 26th the Gallies of Tuscany arrived; and the next day two Merchant Ships, having on board their Land Soldiers. The 28th, 29th, and 30th, we cutt up several Works, to secure our Trenches and Batteries; and the Enemy endeavoured, with continued Firing of great and small Shot, to hinder us therein. The 31th we began to play upon the Town from 6 Batteries and 17 Mortars, which made a terrible Havock. The first Instant the Enemy made a Sally with 600 Men, but they were presently beaten back. The second a Turkish Galley, on which some of the principal Inhabitants were Embarked with their best Goods, got out of the Port, our Ships not discovering their design time enough to hinder it: The third a Deserter assured us that above 300 people had been killed in the Town by our Bombs, and that there was a great Consternation among the Inhabitants; but that the Batta was notwithstanding resolved to defend the place to the last Extremity. The fourth we continued to make use of our Batteries with the same Vigour and Success as before, and advanced our Trenches 200 Paces. The fifth we raised two Redoubts at the head of them. The sixth another Deserter came out of the Town, and informed us, That the Besieged were very busy in making of several Mines, and thereupon our Miners were set at work to Countermine them. The seventh and eighth we carried on our Trenches very successfully, and on the 9th had advanced them to the head of the Bridge, where we made a great Intrenchment: We are now preparing for a general Assault. General Coningsmark and the Prince of Brunswick are both indisposed.

Rome, Sept. 18. The Pope's Confirmation of the Election of Prince Clement of Bavaria to the Archbishoprick of Cologne, pursuant to the Decree of the Consistorial Congregation, was published here on Thursday last, as follows;

THE Sacred Congregation appointed for Consistorial Affairs, having examined the Authentick Instrument which the Canons and Chapter of the Metropolitan Church of Cologne delivered by their Synod to the Archbishop of Damascus, Apostolick Nunce in the Rhine, by which it appears, That the most