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THE following Address of the Justices of the Peace and the Grand Jury for the County of Middlesex, was presented to His Majesty by Sir John Wolstenholme and Sir John Bucknall, Knights of the Shire for the said County, Introduced by his Grace the Duke of Bedford, Lord-Lieutenant of the County.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Address of Your Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Middlesex, and of the Grand Jury Assembled, at the General Sessions of the Peace, held at Hicks-Hall in St. John-street in the said County, on the 6th day of December 1697.

May it please Your Most Excellent Majesty,

WE Your most Dutiful and Obedient Subjects do heartily Congratulate Your safe and happy Return into these Your Majesty's Dominions.

And we beseech Your Majesty to be graciously pleased to Accept our most humble Thanks for Your Great Goodness and Compassion towards us, in Rescuing us, thro' at the Hazard of Your Sacred Person, from Popery and Arbitrary Government, and Establishing us in an Honourable, and we hope, a lasting Peace.

We do faithfully Assure Your Majesty, That we will do our utmost Endeavours to Support and Defend Your Sacred Person and Government, according to our voluntary Association.

The following Address of the Borough of Kings-Lynn, was presented to His Majesty by Sir John Turner and Sir Charles Turner, their Representatives in Parliament, Introduced by his Grace the Duke of Norfolk, Lord Lieutenant of that County.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

Great SIR!

WE Your Majesties most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, and Chief Inhabitants of Your Borough of Kings-Lynn in the County of Norfolk, crave Leave, to Prostrate our selves at Your Royal Feet, with sincerest Joy, and most Devout Thankfulness, Adoring the Divine Goodness for watching over Your Precious Life, (in all the Dangers it hath been expos'd to, by Sea and Land) upon the Safety whereof, the Fate of so many Nations did depend.

The Comfort is too big for us to express, to behold Your Sacred Person with Happiness and Honour returned to these Your Dominions, after the vast Toils of a War, engaged in for the Security of Your Realms, and the Tranquillity of Europe.

For, no sooner had Your Princely Tenderness secured to us the Inestimable Blessings, of Law, Liberty, and Religion, but Injur'd and Ruin'd Provinces abroad, Implor'd Your Aid: Then it was, That you awakened the Slumbering Genius of this Warlike People, and with matchless Conduct, Courage and Vigilance, Led forth the British Forces to Fame and great Achievements, in Foreign Lands.

Let other Chiefs and Potentates of Your Alliance have their Deserved Praise: But 'tis Your Majesty's Right, for what by Your Council and Arms has been done in Accom-

plishing this great Work, to remain possessed of the brightest Share of the Glory that attends it, which outweighs the Poms of all other Triumphs, to be the chosen Instrument of Providence, to Calm a Stormy World, to make Wars and Desolations cease, and to restore Repose and Peace to Christendom.

May the same Propitious Providence make these Blessings durable and perpetual, May Your Sacred Majesty be still the Charge of the Life Guards of Heaven, May Your Royal Care be Sweetned, (tho' they can never be requir'd) by the constant Loyalty and Duty of a grateful People, May Your Days be many and prosperous, and Your Renown Increase, May Your Realms flourish in Virtue, Union, Plenty and Peace, and when You shall be call'd to a Heavenly Crown, may Generations to come rise up and call You Blessed.

The following Address of New Romney, was presented to His Majesty by John Brewer Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament, Introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Romney, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Address of the Mayor, Jurats, and Commonalty of the Town and Port of New Romney in the County of Kent.

WE Your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, with a just and grateful Memory, acknowledge the many great Blessings derived to us in common with Your Majesties Subjects, by Your happy Accession to the Crown: And we beg leave on this extraordinary Occasion, in an especial manner to Congratulate Your Majesty on Your safe and happy Return to us, Crowned with a Peace so honourably founded, and so gloriously Accomplished, that we could not expect from any other Conduct and Courage, (under GOD) Even that of Yours, Great SIR, (His Vicegerent.) These Considerations (with many more) justly unite and continue us in our Inviolable Association (which we early entered into) for the Preservation of Your Majesty's Sacred Person and Government against all Your Enemies whomsoever, as becomes Subjects, who by Inclination and Duty own their Allegiance due to You, (Dread SIR,) their Lawful and Rightful King, whom GOD long preserve as a chosen Instrument of His Honour and our Happiness.

The following Address from Thetford, was presented to His Majesty by Sir John Woodhouse Bar. and James Sloane Esq; their Representatives in Parliament, Introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Wharton.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Burgesses, and Commoners of the Ancient Borough of Thetford in the Counties of Norfolk and Suffolk, and of the Chief Inhabitants there.

Pardon us, (Great SIR,) that with the rest of Your good Subjects, we also trouble Your Majesty with the Expressions of our Allegiance, Gratitude and Joy, for that as Your Majesty heretofore Rescued our Religion, Laws and Liberties; so now by ending the War in so Honourable a Peace, You have to us and our Posterity Established that