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Dublin, Octob. 3.

ON the 30th past the Commons of this Kingdom, with their Speaker, attended his Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the following Address, humbly desiring his Grace would transmit it to Her Majesty, as the Address of that House.

The humble Address of the Knights, Citizens and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled, to the Queen.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to embrace this our first Opportunity of expressing the great Satisfaction we receive from Your Majesty's most happy Accession to the Throne of Your Royal Ancestors; and to congratulate the Glorious Success wherewith it has pleased God to bless Your Majesty's Arms by Sea and Land. Your Majesty's constant Zeal for the Protestant Religion as by Law Established, and sincere Concern for the Welfare and Happiness of Your People, justly challenge a grateful Acknowledgement from all Your Subjects: But we of this Kingdom are in a more particular manner sensible of Your Royal Goodness and Favour, in placing over us a Governor, whose Conduct, Bravery, and unshaken Loyalty to the Crown, and tender Care for this his Native Country, have rendered him equally acceptable to Your Majesty, and to us.

We cannot but with the deepest Concern take Notice to Your Majesty, That our Enemies, by many groundless and malicious Calumnies, have misrepresented us, (the sad and severe Effects whereof we too sensibly feel:) And especially, as if we thought our selves, or desired to be, independent of the Crown of England.

In Duty therefore to Your Majesty, and to vindicate our selves from such foul and unworthy Aspersions, we here declare and acknowledge, That the Kingdom of Ireland is annexed and united to the Imperial Crown of England; and by the Laws and Statutes of this Kingdom is declared to be justly and rightfully depending upon, and belonging to, and for ever united to the same, and that it never entered into our Thoughts to wish the contrary; the Happiness of this Kingdom entirely depending on a steady Duty paid to the Crown of England, and a good Correspondence with Your Majesty's Subjects of that Kingdom. And we do unanimously assure Your Majesty, That we will, to the utmost of our Power, support and maintain Your Majesty's right and lawful Title to the Crown of this Realm, and the Succession in the Protestant Line, as the same is settled by Acts of Parliament in England.

To which his Grace was pleased to return the following Answer:

Gentlemen,

I Will take care of sending this Address to Her Majesty; and am very glad when you give me these Opportunities of assuring Her Majesty of the Duty and Affection of Her Subjects here, for Her Royal Person and Government.

Her Majesty's Ship the *Kingsfisher* arrived yesterday at Kingsale, with 9 East-India Ships under her Convoy, viz, the *Wentworth*, Hampshire, Phoenix, Fleet Frigate, John and Mary, Macclesfield, Upton Galley, Bengal Merchant, and Arabia Factor.

Her Majesty's Ship the *Tork* is also come in there, with 17 Sail of homeward-bound Merchant Ships from Virginia, being part of the Fleet that failed from thence in the beginning of August, under Convoy of the said *Tork*, and of Her Majesty's Ship the *Falmouth*, from whom, and a good number of the Merchant Ships; they were separated by stress of Weather.

Genoa, Sept. 16. N. S. Letters from *Marseilles*, and other Places in *Provence*, which came in yesterday; say, That the Count de *Toulouse* having received Advice, that Sir *Claude* Shovel was entered into the *Mediterranean* with the *English* and *Dutch* Fleet under his Command, and had been seen off of *Malaga*, had ordered the *French* Men of War which then lay in the Road of *Toulon* to enter into the Harbour, for their better Security.

Legborne, Sept. 21. The *Queen Anne* Galley arrived here the 18th instant, being come in 30 days from *Dublin*, and in 14 days from the *Sereights*, but brings no manner of News. They write from *Nice* of the 11th, That the *French* Fleet was not yet failed from *Toulon* the 7th. Letters from *Nismes* say, the *Malecontents* in the *Cevennes* had fallen upon a strong Party of the *French* King's Troops, and killed 80 of them upon the place.

Venice, Sept. 28. The *French* continue to withdraw their Forces out of the Country of *Trent*, their Foot passing to *Dezenano* over the Lake *di Garda*. It is generally believed their Horse will return by Land on the West side of that Lake. It is said they have undermined the Fortifications of *Arco* and *Nago*, in order to blow them up when they have wholly withdrawn their Troops.

Vienne, October 3. N. S. General *Nigrelli* died the 23d Instant at *Caschau*, where he has resided several years as Commander in Chief in *Upper Hungary*. A Party of the Rebels in that Country did some days ago plunder the Town of *Bargan*, over-against *Gratz*; and their Detachment which lately took *Zolnech* being advanced to *Pest*, has summoned the inhabitants to surrender, allowing them but two days time to give their Answer. General *Rabutin*, the Emperor's Commander in Chief in *Transylvania*, has got together 2000 *German* Forces, and as many *Rajcians* and Militia of that Province, and is marched to the Frontiers of *Hungary*, to relieve *Kezar*, which Place is surrounded by another Body of Rebels. Major General *Forgatsch* has also drawn a Body of *Hungarian* Troops together near *Nitria*, to hinder the Rebels from marching to *Presbourg*.

Cologne, Octob. 12. The King of *Spain* having passed through the Bishoprick of *Hildesheim*, was to arrive at *Hannover* the 9th Instant, and is expected the 15th at *Dusseldorp*, whither the Count de *Zinzendorf*, Envoy from the Emperor, is arrived from *Liege*. The Baron of *Els* is come hither from the Court of *Triers*, being sent by that Elector to compliment his Catholic Majesty. The Forces of the King of *Prussia*, which are encamped before *Gelder*, began to bombard that Place the 7th Instant, and have in a manner reduced it to *Ashes*; the Governor however still holds our, notwithstanding he can have no prospect of any Relief. According to our Advices from *Swabia*, Prince *Lewis* was still encamped near *Augsbourg* on the 5th Instant, and the *French* and *Bavarian* Army lay at *Gretschaffen*, not far from that City. The Count de *Stirum* having been reinforced with the Troops which were before *Rottemberg*, and supplied with Artillery and Ammunition from *Nuremberg* and *Nordlingen*, was preparing to decamp from this last Place, in order (as was said) to join Prince *Lewis's* Army. They write from the *Upper Rhine*, that the *French* Army under the Command of the Marshal de *Talard* was advancing towards *Landsau*, but his Designs was not yet certainly known.

Hamburg, Octob. 12. They write from *Berlin*, that the King of *Sweden* has owned the King of *Prussia*, and writ a Letter to congratulate him upon his Advancement to the Royal Dignity; and that a Solemn Embassy was expected from *Sweden* to pay those Compliments in form. Letters from *Graventz*, which came in this day, say, That the *Swedish* Forces carry on the Siege of *Thorn* very vigorously, and that there being a large Breach made in the Place, they had twice assaulted it, but the Besieged having cast up new Works behind the Breach, defended themselves with so much Resolution, that the *Swedes* were repulsed both times with considerable Loss: But our Advices from those Parts are so uncertain, that we know not what Credit to give to this or other Accounts we receive from thence, till they are confirmed by second Advices.

From the Camp at Alderbeciten, Octob. 15. On the 9th Instant, being the day appointed for the Exchange of Prisoners between us and the *French*, Colonel *Casagan* and Colonel *Croonstrom*, whom the Duke of *Marborough* had appointed to be Commissioners for this purpose, went to *Wilre*, a Village between *St. Iron* and *Leewer*, where they were to meet *Meilleurs Puez* and *d'Arves*; the *French* Commissioners; who came thither