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THE Two Houses of Parliament of this Kingdom have attended His Grace the Lord Lieutenant with the following Address:

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, humbly beg Leave to lay before Your Majesty our most humble Acknowledgments and hearty Thanks for Your Majesty's Tender Care of this your Kingdom of Ireland, and for those happy Effects of Your Majesty's great Wisdom and Goodness, the many excellent Bills by Your Order transmitted to us this Session of Parliament.

And as we doubt not but these good Laws will advance the Prosperity of the English Interest in this Kingdom, and be a lasting Security to the Protestant Religion by Law Established; so we thank our Jesus obliged in Gratitude and Duty to assure Your Majesty, That we will contribute all we can to those Glorious Ends, That we and our Poverty may Celebrate Your Majesty's Reign, which has been distinguished by such effectual Marks of Your Royal Favour, and which we heartily pray may be long and happy over us.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Knights, Citizens and Burghers, of Ireland, in Parliament Assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majesty's Faithful and Obedient Commons, do in most humble Manner return our Sincere and Heartie Thanks, for Your Majesty's abundant Goodies to your Dutiful Subjects of this Kingdom, in transmitting the many admirable Laws we have received this Session, more particularly those Excellent Bills for preventing the further Growth of Popery; by which we hope the pernicious Bells and Practices of the Professors of that Religion will be Effectually defeated, and our Church as by Law Established greatly strengthened and Secured.

These Royal Bounties and Concessions demand our utmost Acknowledgment, and oblige us to repeat our humble Assurances, of the continuall of our Duty and Loyalty to Your Majesty; and that we will, to our Power, Support, Maintain and Defend, Your Royal Person and Government, the Protestant Succession as settled by Acts of Parliament in England, and the Church of Ireland as by Law Established.

To his Grace James Duke of Ormonde, Lord Lieutenant-General and General-Governor of Ireland.

The humble Address of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled.

WE the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament Assembled, do with great Satisfaction behold your Grace following the Example of your Illustrious Ancestors, in your eminent Loyalty to the Crown, your constant Affection to the Religion by Law Established, and your sincere and hearty Endeavours for the Prosperity of this your Native Country.

We now attend your Grace, to Acknowledge and Congratulate in the conclusion of this Session the good Effects of your Indefatigable Application, as well in the Training, as in obtaining, the return of the many good Bills from Her Majesty, now ready for the Royal Assent. We cannot sufficiently express our Gratitude to our most Religious and Gracious Queen for so many Instances of Her Goodness, (at one time indeed upon us,) but especially for the Bill to prevent the Growth of Popery.

and we are so sensible of the great part your Grace had in the defining these Powers, that as we are obliged by Interest and Duty to support Her Majesty's Crown and Dignity, so we shall always endeavour to contribute to your Grace's Honour and Ease in the Administration of the Government.

To his Grace James Duke of Ormonde, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.

The humble Address of the Knights, Citizens and Burghers, in Parliament Assembled.

May it please your Grace,

WE Her Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland in Parliament assembled, do render our hearty Acknowledgments to your Grace, for your Zealous and Successful Intercession with Her Majesty, in Favour of this your Native Country.

It is to Her Majesty's unparalleled Goodness, and your Grace's sincere and hearty Endeavours, we owe the many good Bills, which have been transmitted to us in this present Session of Parliament.

When we recollect the Honourable Part your most Noble Grandfather played in the Settlement of the Protestant Interest in this Kingdom, we cannot but congratulate your Grace's greater Glory and Felicity, in having the Instrument (under Her Majesty) of giving a more lasting, secure and Protestant Religion than ever it had since the Reformation.

The Confidence we have of your Grace's Goodness to us, doth justly entitle us to beseech your Grace, to represent to Her Majesty the

State of this Kingdom, the Difficulties we lie under, and the Zeal we have shewen this Session to support Her Majesty's Government to the utmost of our Power, and to continue your generous Influences in our favour, that this Nation may be rendered entirely happy in Her Majesty's most Auspicious Reign, and under your Grace's Administration.

This day his Grace came with the usual Formalities to the House of Peers, and the Commons being sent for up, his Grace gave the *Act for continuing the Additional Duty of Excise on Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; and for granting an Additional Duty on Tobacco, Shillings in the Pound on several Persons and Grants therein mentioned; and for Building of Barracks in the City of Dublin.* An *Act to make it High Treason in this Kingdom to Impinch the Succession of the Crown, as limited by several Acts of Parliament.* An *Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery.* An *Act to prohibit Butchers from being Graziers, and to restrain several Abuses in Buying and Selling of Cattle, and in the Slaughtering and Packing of Beef, Tallow and Hides.* An *Act for Registering the Popish Clergy in this Kingdom.* An *Act for Naturalizing all Protestant Strangers in this Kingdom.* An *Act for reducing of Interest of Money to Eight per Cent.* *Gratuitous Bills.* An *Act for quieting Possessions, and dispersing the undisposed and Plus Acres.* An *Act for quieting Ecclesiastical Persons in their Possessions.* An *Act for the Exchange of Glebes belonging to Churches in this Kingdom.* An *Act for reviving an Act for taking away the Benefit of Clergy in some Cases, and for Transporting Felons.* An *Act for Building several Parish-Churches in more convenient Places.* An *Act to supply the Defect in an Act passed in the Seventh Year of the late King William, Entituled, An Act for the better regulating of Measures in and throughout this Kingdom.* An *Act for continuing Two Acts against Tories, Robbers, and Rapparees.* And to 10 Private Acts.

After which his Grace made the following Speech to both Houses.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I am with great Satisfaction that I can at the end of this Session say, That I have performed what I promised in the beginning. But the Success of my Endeavours, which you have express'd in your Addresses must be solely attributed to Her Majesty, whose extraordinary Goodness has given you so many and so good Laws in this Session of Parliament.

Her Majesty has by the *Act concerning Plus Acres* parted with Her own Property to enlarge and secure yours; And by the *Acts to prevent the further Growth of Popery*, her; as far as in Her lies, establish'd your Religion for the time to come.

I will not fail to represent to the Queen, That Her Faithful Commissions of Ireland, out of eager Zeal to Her Service, and in return of these Royal Considerations, have cheerfully given Her Majesty as great a Supply as the present Circumstances of their Condition would permit.

It were indeed to be wish'd that you, Gentlemen of the House of Commons, could have now provided for what is still owing to the Civil and Military Lists; and the rather, because the Arrears (a Sum of which the Commissioners of the Revenue were ordered by me to lay before you at the opening of this Parliament) must be applied to make good the Deficiencies of the Current Year, as has been done in former Governments. But I hope our next Meeting will give you an Opportunity of providing for it; and that the Success of Her Majesty's Arms in the mean time, may put you into such Circumstances, as may render it easie to you.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

As I will upon all Occasions Faithfully represent to the Queen the true State of this Kingdom, and in the most effectual manner recommend it to Her Majesty for the Continuance of Her Grace and Favours, so I must earnestly recommend to you, that on your parts, and in your several Countries, you take such Care of the Publick Peace, and the Execution of the good Laws already made, that we may all reap the Benefit of Her Majesty's most Happy Government.

And then his Grace Prorogued the Parliament to the 3d of October next.

St. James's, March 11. The following Address of the Bishop, Dean and Chapter, and the rest of the Clergy of the Diocese of Exeter, was presented to Her Majesty by the Reverend Dr. Wake, Dean of Exeter, accompanied with other Dignitaries of that Church who were introduced by his Grace the Lord Archbishop of York.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Bishop, and the Dean and Chapter, with the rest of the Clergy of the Diocese of Exeter.

May it please Your Majesty,

NWE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Bishop and the Dean and Chapter, with the rest of Your Clergy of the Diocese of Exeter, being deeply sensible of Your Majesty's Goodness