mores, under the Conduct of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough: *Successes which are now the Wonder of all* Europe; *and which have fill'd the Hearts of those who desire the Peace and true Interest of it, with unspeakable Joy and Satisfaction.*

May Almighty God, who hath raised up Your Majesty for such mighty Things, still prosper your generous Endeavours, for the Common Advantage of Christendom: *May he bless Your Majesty with all the Happiness of this World; and after a long and a flourishing Reign, Crown you with Eternal Glory in that which is to come.*

The following Address was presented to Her Majesty by the Honourable *John Verney* and *John Wilkins* Esqs; Knights of the Shire for the County of *Leicester*.

To the QUEEN's *Most Excellent Majesty.*

The humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Archdeacon, and Clergy of the County of *Leicester*; together with the Mayor, Bayliffs, and Burgesses of the Borough of *Leicester*.

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, being met together in your Ancient Borough of Leicester, *to offer up in the Publick Assembly our Solemn Praises and Thanksgivings to Almighty God for the most Glorious Success of Your Majesty's Forces by Sea and Land, under the Command of his Grace the Duke of* Marlborough *and Sir* George Rooke; *are very desirous of improving this Opportunity by humbly presenting Your Majesty with our unfeigned united Thanks for Your Majesty's inseparable Affection, so remarkably shewn in the Protection and Defence of our Church and Nation; which we cannot but be deeply affected with, by our continually feeling the happy Influences of it: Particularly in the great Victories over the Common Enemy of* Europe; *which, next to the Providence of God, we must acknowledge is entirely owing to Your Majesty's great Prudence and Wisdom, in the Choice of so great and able Commanders of your Armies and Fleet; and to your continual Goodness to your Officers, Soldiers and Seamen, which hath given them such a Spirit, as no Force or Dangers can withstand. And we further humbly beg Your Majesty to believe, That we will, in our several Stations, to the utmost of our Power, defend Your Majesty's Sacred Person and Government against all Attempts whatsoever: Beseeching Almighty God to continue his Mercies to us, in the Defence of our Church as by Law Established, by granting Your Majesty a long and happy Reign over us.*

The following Address was presented to Her Majesty by *John Gape* Esq; one of the Representatives in Parliament of the Borough of *St. Albans*.

To the QUEEN's *most Excellent Majesty.*

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Recorder, and Burgesses, of Your Majesty's Ancient Borough of *St. Albans*.

May it please Your most Sacred Majesty,

WHen Embassies of Congratulations are hastening from all the Potentates and Friends of the Grand Alliance, with Offerings of Praise and Thanks to Your Majesty for the late Surprizing Victory obtained over the United Force of France *and* Bavaria, *by the Blessing of the Lord of Battels on Your Majesty's Arms, in Conjunction with those of your Allies, under the Command and Conduct of his Grace the Duke* Marlborough: *We Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects of this Borough, (who have had the Honour and Happiness a long time to be under the Direction of that Illustrious General as our High Steward) think our selves more nearly concerned with the deepest sense of Zeal and Duty, to return our most hearty Thanks to Almighty God for such a Queen, to Your Majesty for such a General, and to Providence for such a Victory.*

And indeed, Madam, *so great Wisdom has shined through all your Councels, so much Virtue in all your Actions, and so unprecedented a Charity to the Church in your Liberal Augmentation of its Maintenance, that we could not doubt of some distinguishing and unparalel'd Mercy for such unexampled Goodness and Piety.*

Therefore we crave Leave to turn the Transports of our Joy into Fervency of Prayers; that the same Providence which hitherto hath wonderfully blessed your Enterprizes with Triumphant Success, may enable you to finish all the great Purposes of your Royal Soul with equal Glory.

And that as you have put a Barrier to the Exorbitant Ambition of France, *so you may restore the Liberties of* Europe, *and establish an Universal Peace and Amity in* Christendom, *that the present Age may long rejoyce under the happy Influence of your Government, and all future Generations call you blessed.*

All which Addresses Her Majesty received very graciously.

Sheerness, September 7. This day being appointed by Her Majesty's Proclamation to be observed as a day of Publick Thanksgiving for the great and glorious Victory wherewith it has pleased Almighty God to bless Her Majesty's Arms over the French and Bavarian Forces; Our Governor, attended by the Garison and Navy-Officers, went to the Chapel, and after Divine Service was ended, to the Batteries, where the Governor had provided Wine to drink Her Majesty's, his Royal Highness's, the Duke of Marlborough's and other Healths, which was done with a Discharge of the Cannon; and he afterwards entertained the Company at Dinner, and gave two Barrels of Beer to the Gunners and Soldiers. In the evening there was a Bonfire, with Illuminations, Musick, Dancing, and other Diversions.

East-Retford, September 7. This being appointed the Day of Publick Thanksgiving for the Glorious Victory obtained by the Forces of Her Majesty and Her Allies, by the Great Conduct of his Grace the Duke of *Marlborough*; the chief of our neighbouring Gentlemen came hither, and accompanied the Bayliffs and Aldermen in their Formalities to Church; and after Sermon they returned to Mr. Bayliff's House, where they and all the Freemen and Burgesses, *&c.* were magnificently entertained at the Charge of his Grace the Duke of *Newcastle*, our High Steward, at a very splendid Dinner: And in the Evening the Bayliffs and the rest of the Company went to the Market-place, where there was a great Bonfire, and Hogsheads of Ale and strong Beer given by the Duke of *Newcastle*'s Order to the People, who drank Her Majesty's Health, his Royal Highness's, the Duke of *Marlborough's*, and our High Steward's, with loud Huzza's and Volleys of Fire-Arms; and so the Night concluded with Bonfires in every Street, Musick, Ringing of Bells, and all the Demonstrations of Joy imaginable.

Hull, September 8. Yesterday being the Day of Thanksgiving for the most Glorius Successes of the Arms of Her Majesty and Her Allies, under the Conduct of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough, the Garison was drawn out, and made a Lane from the Town-Hall to the High Church, through which the Mayor and the Lieutenant-Governor, the Recorder, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and other Publick Officers, in their Formalities, proceeded, to return Thanks to God. After Divine Service was over, they returned to the Town-Hall, and went from thence to the Market-place, where several Hogsheads of Ale were placed, by Order of his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, our Governor, to run through four Spouts for the People; Wine having been provided for the Mayor, the Lieutenant-Governor, and their Company, to drink, where Her Majesty's, his Royal Highness's, the Duke of Marlborough's, and our Governor's Healths were drank: While this was doing the Cannon from the Citadel was fired, and answered by the Garison, with a running Fire from the Ramparts. Then the Lieutenant-Governor, by the Duke of Newcastle's Order, treated the Mayor and Corporation, the Officers of the Garison, Custom-House, all that had ever been in Office, and the 12 Companies, consisting of many Hundreds of Freemen; all which was done at the Duke of Newcastle's Charge. His Grace also ordered Money to the Gunners and Soldiers of the Garison to drink Her Majesty's Health. In the evening there were Fire-Works, Illuminations, Ringing of Bells, Bonfires, and all other imaginable Demonstrations of Joy.

Canterbury, September 8. The Thanksgiving Day appointed by Her Majesty's Proclamation was observed here yesterday with much Solemnity: At night the whole City was Illuminated; and Mr. Mayor gave a splendid Entertainment to the Principal Inhabitants, with two Hogsheads of strong Beer to the Soldiers of Colonel Saunders's Regiment quartered in this City; the Officers whereof had a very curious Fire-Work. We had also Bonfires, and all other Expressions of Joy suitable to the great Occasion.

Whitehaven, September 8. Yesterday being the Thanksgiving Day for the late Glorious Victory at Pleinheim, was solemnly observed here; and in the evening the publick Joy was demonstrated by Bonfires, Illuminations, and drinking Her Majesty's, his Royal Highness's, the Duke of Marlborough's, and other Healths, wishing a continued Success to Her Victorious Arms; and that God will be pleased to grant Her a long and prosperous Reign over us.

Dartmouth, September 8. Yesterday came in here from cruizing the Superfancy, a Dutch Privateer of 26 Guns. That day was spent in Rejoycings for the Glorious Victory obtained by Her Majesty's Arms under the Command of his Grace the Duke of Marlborough: The great Guns from our Castle were fired, as were also those of the said Privateer; and we had likewise Ringing of Bells, and other proper Demonstrations of Joy.

Chester, September 9. The 7th Instant being the Day of General Thanksgiving, our Mayor, Recoder and the Aldermen, in their Formalities, went to the Cathedral: After a Sermon preached by the Rev. the Dean of Chester, a Latin Speech was spoke by one of the Scholars of our Free School; the Guns about the Castle were fired: And in the evening a generous Entertainment was provided by the Corporation in the Pentice, where, with the Gentlemen and other Principal Inhabitants, they drank Her Majesty's Health, with Success to Her Arms. There was Dancing in the Town-Hall, the Bells ringing, the Bishop's Palace, the Churches, the Houses in every Street, being illuminated, and Torches burning on the Town-Hall, and publick Gates; the Conduit running with Wine, with all other imaginable Demonstrations of Joy.

Yarmouth, September 11. On the 4th Instant Her Majesty's Ship the Dunwich, with several laden Colliers and Coasters under her Convoy, sailed hence to the Southward. The 7th, being the Day of Publick Thanksgiving, our Artillery Company, consisting of about 80 young Gentlemen, headed by the Militia Officers, appeared in their Arms, and attended the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, to Church. After Divine Service they proceeded, with the Town Musick playing before them, to the Market-place, where they fired several Vollies, the great Guns from our Walls and Fort being Discharged at the same time: They were afterwards splendidly entertained at Dinner by the Mayor; and in the afternoon they all met again in the Market-place, where Wine was plentifully provided at the Charge of the Corporation. Her Majesty's and other Healths were drank, with repeated Acclamations of the People. In the evening there were Bonfires, Illuminations and other publick Rejoycings. Several light Colliers being lately come into our Road from the Southward, there are now about 400 Sail of them, with their Convoys, waiting for a fair Wind to proceed on their Voyage to Newcastle.

Portsmouth, September 12. The 7th Instant being the day of publick Thanksgiving, the Mayor and Aldermen met at the Town-Hall, to drink Her Majesty's Health; the Standard was hoisted on the Platform; all Her Majesty's Ships at St. Hellens hung out their Flags, Streamers and Pendants, which made a most Glorious Prospect; the great Guns were discharged; and we had Bonfires, and all possible Demonstrations of the Publick Joy upon so Glorious and Happy Occasion. The 10th Instant Sir Stafford Fairborne sailed from St. Hellens, with several Men of War; the rest of Her Majesty's Ships, and the Fleet of outward-bound Merchant-Men, continuing at St. Hellens and Spithead.

There are Three Mails due from Holland.

The Governor and Company of Merchants of London Trading into the East-Indies do hereby give Notice, That their Transfer-Book will be shut up from the 19th of this Instant September to the 4th of October next, in order to the making out the Warrants for the half Yearly Payment or Allowance due the 29th Instant; according to the Direction of the General Court of the 27th of April, 1702. which Warrants will be ready to be delivered the Adventurers by the said 4th of October.