

ced was both Duty and Honesty to acknowledge it) That Your Majesty, in all Your Counsels and Actions, has never any thing so much at heart, as the Safety, Honour, and Interest of Your People.

And the great Care and Concern which Your Majesty has so constantly shewn for the Succession to the House of Hanover, (wherein all Your Majesty's Peaceful Subjects with the greatest Sincerity and Satisfaction concur) will we hope always preserve an entire Friendship and good Understanding between Your Majesty and that Illustrious House, notwithstanding all the false and base Insinuations which a few Men so slyly suggest to prevent it, and which none but with the utmost Grief and Reluctancy (except themselves) could bear to see in the least danger of being effected.

That Your Majesty's Reign may be long and happy over us, and when Providence shall think fit to call Your Majesty to a better Crown, that the Blessings we enjoy under the benign Influence of Your Majesty's auspicious Government may be continued to us and our Posterity, are the hearty Prayers of, Madam, Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects.

The following Address from the Borough of Oakhampton in the County of Devon, was Presented to Her Majesty by Christopher Harris, Esquire, Recorder and Representative of the said Borough; being Introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Lord Lansdown.

To the QUEEN'S most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Vicar, Principal Burgesses, and Assistants, Freeman, and other Inhabitants of Your Majesty's Ancient and Loyal Corporation of Oakhampton, in the County of Devon.

May it please Your Majesty,

TO accept our humble Thanks, and sincerest Congratulations, for the unvaluable Blessing your Majesty has procur'd your People, of a Peace safe and well-grounded in itself, honourable to your Majesty, and of lasting Advantage to your Kingdoms.

Wishing but the great Zeal, consummate Wisdom, and untiring Endeavours of your Majesty and your Ministers, could have brought that grand Affair to this happy Issue, in spite of those Obstructions purposely laid in its way by a Faction, whom yet the happy Consequences of it may chance to reclaim.

Our ancient, hereditary, monarchical Government, our excellent Religion in the Communion of the Church of England as by Law Establish'd, and our Civil Rights and Properties, whose Security and Preservation is most dear to every true Englishman, do all oblige us to beseech God to bless your Majesty with a long and happy Life, ever favour'd with the like Wise, Faithful Ministry, and Loyal Parliament. So Pray, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects.

The following Address from the City of Gloucester, was Presented to Her Majesty by Thomas Webb, Esq; Charles Cox, Esq; and Thomas Crawley Bovey, Esq; being Introduced by his Grace the Duke of Beaufort, Lord Lieutenant of the said City.

To the QUEEN'S most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Gentlemen, Clergy, and principal Inhabitants of the City of Gloucester.

Madam,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects humbly beg Leave to Congratulate Your Majesty upon the happy Success of Your wise Measures for the giving Peace to Europe.

The very great Advantages which Your own People in particular receive by it, shew the tender Care Your Majesty hath for their Interests: and these many Difficulties which have in vain been laid in the way to it, and in its Progress, by those who are Enemies to Peace,

have served only to discover more fully to the World Your Wisdom in making Choice of a Ministry of Abilities and Courage sufficient to surmount them.

The Princely Concern You are pleas'd to express for those brave Men who have serv'd Well by Sea and Land, manifests the Continuance of that great Regard which Your Majesty hath always shewn for the Honour as well as Interest of Your Subjects; who would ill deserve the Happiness of being so, should not such an Instance of Your favourable Acceptance of their Services dispose them to be always ready cheerfully to renew the same Hazards, and expend their Lives and Fortunes in Defence of the Sacred Person and Government of so Gracious a Sovereign.

If any thing can lay a further Obligation upon them to Gratitude and Loyalty, it must be the Trust Your Majesty condescends to repose in their Affection; than which, under God, You desire no other Guarantee: A Trust, in it self sufficient both to Engage and to Reward their Duty and Fidelity.

The perfect good Understanding there is between Your Majesty and the Illustrious House of Hanover, is a Proof that Your Care for the Religious and Temporal Welfare of Your People extend to late Posterity. And as we do with the greatest Detestation abhor the Principles, so to the utmost of our Power we will oppose the wicked Attempts of those who being Enemies to all Government, both Divine and Humane, endeavour to create Jealousies and Differences, and to render ineffectual whatever Provision can be made for the Establishment of either.

We cannot but observe on this Occasion, how intimately the Interests of Faction and Irreligion are united, and that the Chief of those who study to obstruct Your Majesty's Proceedings are equally Promoters of Blasphemy and Rebellion.

May Your Sacred Majesty long, very long, enjoy the Blessing of that Honourable and advantageous Peace which You have so happily perfected to the great Joy of all Your good and faithful Subjects, and to the Disappointment of those restless Spirits that delight in War.

The following Address from the ancient Borough of Aylesbury, in the County of Bucks, was Presented to Her Majesty by Simon Haircourt and John Essington, Esquires, their Representatives in Parliament; being Introduced by the Rt. Hon. William Lord Cheyne, Viscount New-Haven, Lord Lieutenant and Chief Justice of the said County of Bucks.

To the QUEEN'S most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Burgesses, Constables, and other Inhabitants of your ancient Borough of Aylesbury, in the County of Bucks.

WE cannot, Dread Sovereign, sufficiently acknowledge the infinite Blessings we enjoy under Your Majesty's most auspicious Reign; nor can we be thankful enough to Heaven for the many Successes of Your Majesty's Arms, as Forerunners of a grateful Peace to Europe.

We admire Your Majesty's Generosity and unalterable Resolution to engage in so great a Work, attended with so many Difficulties from groundless Jealousies fomented by the restless Spirit of Faction to obstruct it.

We bless Heaven for supporting Your Majesty in it, and enabling You to overcome them all, and to accomplish so great a Good to Christendom.

And since Your Majesty was pleas'd lately to tell Your People from the Throne, that the Treaty of Peace was signed, and that the Ratifications would soon be Exchanged: We joyfully Congratulate Your Majesty thereupon, and acknowledge Your great Goodness in assuring us, that our Religion is Secured by the Succession in the House of Hanover: That Your Majesty, next to the Protection of Divine Providence, depends upon the Loyalty and Affection of Your People, and wanted no other Guarantee: That You have made Your Parliament Judges of Your Wants, and of what Supplies are necessary for Your Own and Peoples Interest: And, That You had obtained