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St. James's February 23.

THIS Day the Lord Archbishop, with the Bishops, Prolocutor, and Clergy of the Province of Canterbury, presented the following Address to His Majesty.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy of the Province of Canterbury, in Convocation assembled.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy of the Province of Canterbury, in Convocation assembled, do most heartily Congratulate your Majesty upon your safe Return to your Kingdom; and with all Humility acknowledge the Sense we have of that Quiet and Tranquillity which we enjoyed, during your Absence, by the prudent Care and Administration of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, under your Majesty; and who, next to your sacred Majesty, is the greatest Hope and Support of our Church and Realm.

It is with unspeakable Grief that we hear of a new Design, formed by a restless and implacable Party among us, against your Majesty's Person and Government; and to subvert both the Religion and Liberties of our Country. Your Majesty had good Reason to hope, what we all were willing to believe, that the ill Success of their late Rebellion, would, if not have brought them to a Sense of their Duty, yet at least have deterred them from venturing so soon upon another Attempt, in open Violation of it. But since they have presumed again to endeavour to disturb the Repose of your Majesty, and your Kingdoms, by a new and more desperate Design against both: Since not content to involve us, as before, in an intestine War, they have animated and stirred up a Foreign Power to invade your Dominions, and to ruin the flourishing Estate of their own native Country: We esteem it our Duty again to declare our Abhorrence of their Proceedings; and to assure your Majesty, that we will make it our Endeavours, in our several Places, to raise in the Minds of all your People a just Sense of the Danger, and a Detestation of the Wickedness of their Enterprize: That we will exhort them, (as they are both in Duty and Interest obliged) to maintain your Majesty's rightful and lawful Authority over us; and to exert their utmost Force and Power to Suppress any future Rebellion that

may happen to be raised among us, and to Support the happy Settlement of the Crown in your Royal Family, as the best and surest Means to secure the Religion, Laws and Liberties of our Country.

We have seen in the late Declarations of some of these Men, who nevertheless call themselves by the Name of Protestants, what we must look for should a Popish Prince ever sit upon the Throne of these Kingdoms. Whilst they allow us no better a Character than that of Schismatics and Heresicks; of Men cut off from the Communion of Christ's Church, and all the Hopes of Salvation; what can be expected from professed Papists, who Account no better of them (however they may flatter themselves) than they do of us; but that both they and we shall be utterly destroyed by them.

To you therefore, Great Sir, under God, we flee for Succour and Support. Our Safety is bound up in yours. While you sit secure upon your Throne, the Church of England can never want a powerful and ready Defender. And therefore for our own, our Countries, and our Religions sake, we must never cease to implore the Divine Protection over you: That God would effectually give you the Hearts of your Subjects, and defeat the Designs of your Enemies; and continue the Crown of this Protestant Realm, in your Protestant Family, till time shall be no more.

His MAJESTY's most Gracious Answer.

My Lords, and the rest of the Clergy,

I Thank you very kindly for this Dutiful and Affectionate Address.

I promise My Self, that you will make it your Care to give all under your Charge, the same Sense of their Duty, which you your selves have so fully expressed.

And as I hope, by the Blessing of God, to defeat the Designs of Our Enemies; so you may depend that the Church of England shall always have my Favour and Protection.

Geneva, Feb. 26. 'Tis advised from Savoy, that on the 14th Instant the Pretender arrived at Montmelian, lodged in a Convent, and staid there the 15th. On the 16th he proceeded to Aiguebelle; the next Day to St. John de Maurienne, where he lodged at the Bishop's House, and continued there the 18th. On the 19th he lay at Modana, the 20th at Lanebourg; and passing the Mountains on the 21st arrived at Suza; whence he is to continue his Journey through the King of Sicily's Dominions; and 'tis said he will go by