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**T**HE following humble Address having been transmitted to the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to His Majesty, who was pleased to receive it very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the City of Edinburgh.

May it please your Majesty,

**W**ITH Hearts full of Gratitude for the tender Care your Majesty shews towards your faithful Subjects of this City, and with Indignation against the Enemies of your Majesty and of our Prosperity, we received the Intimation which your Majesty has been pleased to make to us, of a wicked Conspiracy for Raising a Rebellion against your Majesty in favour of the Popish Pretender.

We render humble and hearty Thanks to Almighty God, who has always so remarkably appeared for your Majesty's just Right and Government, that your Majesty got timely Notice of these Hellish Machinations, and has been directed to the proper Measures for defeating them, and that the Authors thereof neither are, nor will be supported, nor even countenanced, by any Foreign Power.

It is astonishing to us, that Men should be found so very perverse, as to be desirous of exchanging the Happiness of Liberty for the despicable State and Misery of Slavery; of parting with that inestimable Blessing, the Reformed Religion, for the gross Aburdities, the Superstition and Idolatry of Antichristianism; which must be the unavoidable Consequences of fetching from Rome a Disciple and Votary of the Pope's, to be King of a Protestant Nation; one bred up in the destructive Arts of Arbitrary Power, to rule over a People who justly esteem the Law to be their best earthly Inheritance.

Every honest Heart is filled with Abhorrence of so wicked an Attempt to disquiet your Majesty's Government, and to disturb your Subjects in enjoying and improving their Happiness under it; and we hope it will have no other Effect, but more firmly to unite all faithful and loyal Britons, that for ever laying aside their private Differences and Contentions, they may still be more zealous in asserting and maintaining your Majesty's Right and that of your Royal Posterity, and thereby, through the divine Blessing, render inviolable their own Rights both Sacred and Civil.

None in your Majesty's Dominions have more Reason than your loyal Subjects of Scotland, vigorously to oppose those Enemies of the Protestant Interest. Their Spite against our Church is so peculiar, that laying aside the vain Pretences whereby they endeavour in other Matters to delude the Simple, they openly boast of their Impious Intention to destroy it, and to deprive us of the happy Establishment of the Doctrine, Worship and Government of the Church of Scotland, which we by Law enjoy in your Majesty's gracious Reign, and which through the Great Mercy and Goodness of God to this Church and Land, have been transmitted to us by the Faithfulness and Sufferings of our Ancestors.

Your Majesty's good Town of Edinburgh had the Honour to exert themselves at the late unnatural Rebellion in Defence of your Majesty's Crown and Government; and nothing has been able to frighten or discourage us from our Loyalty to your Majesty and Duty to our Country: And we most humbly beg Leave, on this Occasion, to assure your Majesty, with the greatest Faithfulness and Truth, That we are ready to do our utmost to support your Majesty's Throne, against the Pretender and his Adherents, with that Firmness which becomes Men who have Motives so strong as Religion towards their God, Loyalty to their Prince, and Love to their Country and Posterity.

That your Majesty and your Royal Protestant Family may so long as the Earth endures, Reign glori-

ously over a happy free Protestant People, is the most hearty and fervent Prayer of,

May it please your most Gracious Majesty,

Your Majesty's most faithful, most loyal, and most obedient Subjects.

Signed by Order, and in Name of the Magistrates and Council of the City of Edinburgh, by  
*Jo. Wightman*, Provost.

An humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum, Deputy Lieutenants, and Justices of the Peace of the County of Worcester, having been transmitted by the Right Honourable the Earl of Coventry to the Right Honourable the Lord Carteret, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to His Majesty.

An humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Corporation of Shrewsbury, has been presented to His Majesty by Orlando Bridgeman, Esq; introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Carteret, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

An humble Address of the Bailiffs, Burgesses, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Tewksbury in the County of Gloucester, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Gage, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend.

Which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

Paris, May 30, N. S. The following Extract of the Advices received by the Court relating to the Plague, has been communicated to the foreign Ministers.

The Duke de Roquelaure in his Letters of the 13th and 14th of May writes, that since the 21st of April none had died or fallen sick at Mende. M. Blanquet a Physician was ordered to go to la Canourgue, and give Direction for disinfecting (or perfuming and airing) it a second Time, as soon as there should be Advice of its being in a settled State of Health. The Blockade of St. Genaix and all the Country inclosed within the two Lines, continued in perfect Health. The Accident of some Persons dying lately of the Plague (as was believed) at Marseilles, had induced the Duke de Roquelaure and M. de Bernage to direct the Offices of Health at Certe and at Agde, not to admit any thing which should come from that City, but such Goods only as should come from the other Places of Provence, unless with Certificates signed by the Marquess de Brancas, to whom this Order had been signified. M. de Bernage writes the 15th of May, that three Persons had died suddenly in one Night and in one House at Cornillon near Bagnols; but that they had poisoned themselves with bad Mushrooms; no Mark of Contagion was found on their Bodies. The Chevalier Damas writes the 15th of May, that except at Alais, where the Sickness has not quite ceased, and where 12 Persons have died since its Relapse, the Gevaudan, the Vivaretz, and the rest of the Country are perfectly recovered. M. de Rothe writes the 13th of May, that all the late Accidents had not had any bad Consequences, and he was of Opinion none were to be feared; however Cornillon had been put under Quarantine, because of the Accident happening by the bad Mushrooms. A Man suspected of the Contagion in the Parish of St. George de Puejac, was grown well again, having had only an ordinary Distemper.

Provence. M. de Pilles Governour of Marseilles, in his Letter of the 10th of May writes, that on the 9th a Servant-Maid had died of a doubtful Distemper; she had kept her Bed four Days, and during three of them had no Marks of Infection on her. All Preparations were made for an Hospital in Case of Need, but he was in hopes those Precautions would be useless. M. de Grand Maison the Commanding Officer in Fort St. John at Marseilles, writes the 11th of May, that by the Death of several Persons since the 8th the breaking out of the Plague anew at Marseilles was confirmed. Should the Distemper increase a little