

Gratitude) to assure your Majesty, that we shall be always ready, to the utmost of our Power, to support and defend your Majesty's Person, Crown and Dignity, against all Opposers whatsoever.

That your Reign may be long, happy and prosperous, that Success may attend your Counsels, and Victory your Forces both by Sea and Land; that there never may be wanting one of your Royal Progeny, indued with equal Virtues, to succeed in these Dominions, are the sincere Prayers and Wishes of,

May it please your Majesty,
Your Majesty's most dutiful faithful,
and loyal Subjects.

The following humble Address of the Mayor, Masters and Burgeses of the City or Borough of Wells, in the County of Somerset, has been presented to His Majesty by Thomas Edwards, Jun. Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Masters and Burgeses of the City or Borough of Wells, in the County of Somerset.

WHILST the present Juncture of Affairs demands the most dutiful Tenders of Allegiance from all your Majesty's loyal Subjects,

Permit us, most gracious Sovereign, to offer our Tribute of grateful Acknowledgement for your Royal Care to continue the Prosperity of your People, and the Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's happy Administration.

We cannot without the utmost Resentment and Indignation reflect upon the Dangers that threatened us from the late Confederacy of the Emperour and the King of Spain, entered upon by those Powers against all the Obligations of Gratitude and most solemn Treaties, to support an unjust Encroachment on our Commerce, an Attempt upon your Majesty's most rightful Dominions, and the Extirpation of our most holy Religion.

But your Majesty's unwearied Vigilance in the early Discovery of their destructive Schemes, the powerful Alliances you have formed, and the seasonable Preparations you have made to frustrate their Designs, fill our Hearts with Joy unspeakable; and with in-

expressible Satisfaction as well as Admiration we behold your Majesty demonstrating to the World, that the Prosperity and Protection of your People is your greatest Care and Concern.

May these Blessings of your auspicious Reign engage every true Briton to the most steady Loyalty and Obedience, and the firmest Adherence to your Majesty's sacred Person and Government, and to contribute the utmost of his Power in promoting your Majesty's most gracious Designs for preserving the Balance of Power in your Royal Hands, whose consummate Wisdom knows how to consult the general Interest of Christendom, whilst it directs it to the particular Happiness and Advantage of these Kingdoms.

Given under our common Seal this 25th Day of February, in the Thirteenth Year of your Majesty's Reign.

The following humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Common-Council-Men of the City of Gloucester, has been presented to His Majesty by Charles Hyett, Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Berkeley, Lord-Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Gloucester. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Common-Council-Men of the City of Gloucester, in Common-Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Common-Council-Men of this City, in Common-Council assembled, hold ourselves bound in Duty and Gratitude to return our utmost Acknowledgments for your Majesty's tender Care of your People, in making such necessary Preparations as your Majesty thought most Expedient, to secure to us our just Rights, and the most valuable Branches of our Trade.

Yet notwithstanding the necessary Precautions and prudent Measures taken by your Majesty to preserve the publick Peace of your Dominions, we find there are foreign Princes hardy enough to attempt to wrest from your Hands those very Possessions yielded