

The following humble Address of the Provost, Bailies, and Town-Council of the Burgh of Stirling, has been presented to His Majesty by Henry Cuninghame, Esq; their Representative in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle one of His Majesty's principal Secretaries of State. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Provost, Bailies, and Town-Council of the Burgh of Stirling, representing the whole Body and Community thereof.

May it please your Majesty,

AS we do with Pleasure reflect on the happy Settlement of the Imperial Crown of these Kingdoms on your illustrious Family in the Protestant Line, your Majesty's seasonable Accession thereto, to the unspeakable Joy of all true Protestants, and that Divine Goodness which has hitherto preserved your sacred Person, and continued the Tranquility of your Dominions, notwithstanding of all the wicked Efforts, hellish Conspiracies, and fruitless Attempts of Enemies from abroad and at home, in Favours of a Popish Pretender: So we humbly beg Leave at this Juncture cheerfully to congratulate the wish'd for Success of your Majesty's Counsels and Fleets last Season; no Doubt, (under God) owing to your wise Foresight and prudent Management of publick Affairs, at a Season when the Emperour and King of Spain, notwithstanding of their profess'd Friendship to your Majesty, have joined Interests in Favours of the Pretender, which must be an Abhorrence to all your Majesty's good Subjects; who have any due Regard for the Interests sacred or civil of your Majesty's Realms.

As we do from our Hearts deteste all Conspiracies, Combinations and Attempts that have been or may be formed against your Majesty's Person, Family and Government, and all pernicious Projects against the Peace and Quiet of your Dominions, the lasting Succession of your Protestant Family to sway the Scepter over these Realms; so we humbly offer to give your Majesty this fresh Assurance of our firm and constant Adherence to your Royal Person, Family, and Government; and that we will with Lives and Fortunes maintain and defend the Protestant Succession in your illustrious Family, as by Law established, in Opposition to a Popish Pretender, and all his open or secret Abettors, at home and abroad, who shall endeavour the Alteration or Disquiet thereof; being firmly perswaded, that the Preservation of all that's dear unto us as Christians, or good Subjects, is bound up and link'd with the Safety and Continuance of your Majesty's Person, Family and Government.

That the Infinite God may bless your Majesty, preserve your Posterity, countenance your Deliberations, succeed your Arms, and crown your Enterprizes with Honour and

Gloiy in swaying the Scepter of these Kingdoms to latest Posterity, is the earnest and hearty Desire of,

May it please your Majesty,
Stirling, the 1st Your Majesty's most loy-
Day of March, al, most dutiful, and
1726-7. most faithful Subjects
and Servants.

Signed in Presence and by Appointment of the Magistrates and Council,
by

Ja. Johnston, Provost.

The following humble Address of the Justices of the Peace and Freeholders of the Sheriffdom of Drumfries and Stuartry of Annandale, has been presented to His Majesty by Charles Areskine, Esq; their Representative in Parliament, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle one His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Justices of the Peace and Freeholders of the Sheriffdom of Drumfries and Stuartry of Annandale.

May it please your Majesty,

THE agreeable Fruits we reap from your Majesty's unwearied Endeavours for the Peace and Prosperity of your Subjects, and the Preservation of the Liberties of Europe, and the many Advantages in which we rejoice under your Majesty's gentle and auspicious Reign, excite us at this critical Juncture to offer our most humble Thanks for your Majesty's tender Care and great Vigilance by which our Tranquility has hitherto been secured, notwithstanding all the Attempts of lawless Ambition Abroad, and Faction at Home.

With great Indignation we reflect on Engagements entered into by some of the chief Powers of Europe, to usurp our valuable Branches of Trade, disturb your Majesty in Possessions acquired by the victorious Arms of your People, and secured to them by the Faith of solemn Treaties.

But it is with the highest Resentment and Abhorrence we hear of Measures laid down to support a Popish Pretender to your Majesty's Throne, and to favour those, who, Enemies to the legal Rights and just Liberties of their native Country, prefer a Tyrannical Government to your Majesty's mild and most gracious Administration.

Your Majesty's wise Counsels in forming proper Alliances, and seasonably applying the native Strength of our Island at Sea, and increasing your Forces by Land, have, we hope, by the Blessing of God, brought the vain Projects of those ambitious Princes to nought. But should those desperate Enterprizes be still carried forward, we beg Leave humbly to assure your Majesty, that to the utmost of our Power, with our Lives and Fortunes, we

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