

best Pleasure in the Course of your Majesty's happy and successful Administration, your great Tenderness of your Subjects, in retrenching as much as possible the Expence which the first made necessary; and now that your Majesty is unavoidably drawn into the last, for the Safety of the whole Community, in its sacred as well as civil Interests, in no less Danger from the plain Meaning and Tendency of late Treaties, than from their more hidden and secret Stipulations in Favour of a Popish Pretender; your People cannot but contribute with the utmost Cheerfulness what is necessary for so great and good an End, when they know at the same Time that it will be dispensed with so frugal a Hand; and that to these ordinary Forces, necessary in the present Juncture, your Majesty will superadd that more invincible Power, which consists in the Wisdom that governs and regulates the Use of Arms, by a good Counsel, and which makes their Success by the Justice of the Undertaking, to depend upon that all-powerful Aid, without which the greatest Armies are but Weakness, and with which the smallest are victorious.

By the propitious Influences of that Aid and Protection, be your Majesty's Person safe from Harm amidst the Hostilities of War; and may your glorious Struggle to preserve the Balance of Power in Europe, serve either timely to compose those Differences which threaten War and Confusion, and prevent their coming to a Head; or after a successful War, happily terminate in a profound and lasting Peace, which instead of Scenes of Blood, may give to your Majesty the more agreeable Prospect of seeing Trade in all its Branches, and Learning in all its Parts, flourish and prosper in their respective Nurseries and Seminaries.

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most humble and most obedient Subjects and Servants.

*Sign'd in our Presence and by our Appointment, by*

*Will. Wihart, Principal.*

The following humble Address of the Protestant Dissenting Ministers, and Gentlemen in Dublin and the South of Ireland, &c. has been presented to His Majesty by his Excellency the Lord Carteret, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Which Address His Majesty was pleas'd to receive very graciously.

To His most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Protestant Dissenting Ministers and Gentlemen in Dublin, the South of Ireland, and all associated with them.

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects are deeply sensible of the manifold Blessings that all your extensive Domi-

nions derive from your auspicious Government: And we regard your Majesty, as raised up by Divine Providence, to be the powerful Support of the Liberties of Europe, and of that due Balance of Power in it which the exorbitant Ambition of some aspiring Powers threatens to overturn.

Your Majesty's vigilant Care and Sagacity in penetrating into the secret pernicious Designs of those Foreign Powers, (so contrary to the highest Obligations of Gratitude, and to the Faith of Publick Treaties) which now plainly appear to have been levell'd against the rightful Possessions of Great Britain, the beneficial Commerce of your Subjects, and happy Establishment of the Crown in your illustrious Family; your consummate Wisdom in entering-into proper Alliances; taking such early and necessary Measures to render those destructive Designs abortive, and steady Firmness in the Prosecution of them, have been deservedly approved and applauded by your British Parliament; and these renew'd Instances of your tender and ever watchful Concern for the Security and Welfare of your People, give you a just Title to reign in their Hearts.

And as we doubt not of the cheerful Concurrence of all your faithful Subjects with your Majesty, in the Measures your Wisdom shall think needful, to frustrate the Counsels and Enterprizes of ungrateful and perfidious Powers; so we for ourselves and those of our Perswasion, can with Confidence assure your Majesty of our unanimous Resolution, to the utmost of our Power, in our several Stations, to oppose all the Enemies of your Government Abroad or at Home; and particularly all their detestable Projects in Favour of an attainted Popish Pretender.

And we are fully perswaded, that the late insolent Indignities offer'd to your sacred Majesty by the Imperial Resident, in the Name of his Master, will be so far from answering the evil Intentions propos'd by them, as rather to excite in all your loyal Subjects a just Resentment of such injurious and provoking Usage, and to unite their Zeal for the Honour and Service of your Government, in which their own Interest and Happiness is so visibly bound up.

And that the Almighty God (the Supreme Guarantee of the Faith of Publick Treaties) may direct and prosper all your Undertakings in so laudable and righteous a Cause; that He may honour your Majesty to be the happy Instrument of re-establishing the indanger'd Peace of Europe upon more solid and lasting Foundations, of strengthening and enlarging the Protestant Interest in it, and of rendering all your Subjects a safe and flourishing People under your wise and gracious Government; and that He may, to crown all his other Blessings, perpetuate that great and comprehensive one of the Protestant Succession in your Royal Line to our latest Posterity, and blast all the wicked