

have rais'd in the Breast of all your faithful Subjects, who with Admiration and Gratitude unanimously acknowledge, that your Majesty, as an indulgent and provident Father of your People, has concerted and executed the most wise and effectual Measures for raising the Glory of the British Arms, and rendering the rash Enterprizes of your Enemies abortive.

May the merciful Providence of our Gracious God, which has so often been glorified in blasting all Attempts against you, always render your Arms triumphant, and make you far greater and more glorious than ever the most extended Hopes of all your grateful Subjects, or the most anxious fears of your desperate Enemies can (even) suppose you; may your Kingdoms be blest by your long and prosperous Reign, and may that Happiness be continued to latest Posterity, by an uninterrupted Succession of Princes of your Majesty's August Family, to sit upon your Throne.

The following humble Address of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the County of Wilts, assembled at the General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace at the Devizes the 11th of April, 1727, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Hertford, Custos Rotulorum of the said County. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the County of Wilts, assembled at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace at the Devizes, the 11th of April, 1727.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**HILST your Majesty is performing the Part of a most tender and indulgent Father of our Country; whilst you are incessantly labouring to preserve to us and our Posterity our Religion, Liberties and Trade; the Means, and those only, which by the Blessing of God we can depend upon for the Continuance of that Happiness we now enjoy under your good and gracious Administration; whilst your Enemies are affronting you in the most insolent Manner that Malice can invent, by feditiously libelling your sacred Majesty under the Umbrage and Pretext of a Memorial. What Spirits must we have, or what must we be deemed to be; did we not, with the rest of your injured Subjects, express our utmost Abhorrence and Detestation of such unheard of Practices, in the Instance of the Emperour's Memorial lately delivered to your Majesty by Monsieur de Palm?

As these Motives cannot but raise in us the highest Gratitude on the one Hand, so on the other we should be extrême-ly wanting in our Duty to your most excellent Majesty, should we not publickly declare our just Resentments at the unparalleled Indignity offer'd to your most sacred Person and high Charac-

ter, and by so much the more are we oblig'd hereto, since it evidently appears to be your Majesty's tender Regard for us, and all that is dear and valuable to us, which has drawn these extravagant Insults upon you.

Permit us therefore to assure your Majesty of our ready Concurrence in every thing that may enable you to obtain a full and suitable Reparation for the vindicating of your Majesty's Honour.

Nor shall we be ever backward in contributing our utmost towards the assisting your Majesty in the indefatigable Pains you are daily taking to preserve to us our Religion, Liberties and Trade; all which we are thoroughly convinced would be in the most precarious Condition, should the mean and ungrateful Artifices of those, who owe their Grandeur to the powerful Influence of your Majesty, and the generous Contributions of this injur'd Nation, ever prevail.

That the great God, who has so signally preserved your sacred Person when in the most imminent Danger, may still continue to protect and prolong that precious Life, so dear and valuable to us, from the Machinations and Attempts of all your open and secret Enemies both at Home and Abroad, is the unfeigned Prayer of us, your most dutiful and loyal Subjects.

The following humble Address of the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, Gentlemen and Freeholders of the County of Gloucester, has been presented to His Majesty by the Honourable Henry Berkeley, Esq, one of the Knights of the Shire of the said County, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Berkeley, Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The most humble Address of the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, and other Gentlemen and Freeholders, assembled at the General Quarter Session of the Peace holden for the County of Gloucester, on Tuesday the 11th Day of April, Anno Domini 1727.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, being deeply affected with, and having the most grateful Sense of the many invaluable Blessings we have constantly enjoyed under your most auspicious Reign, and being also fully convinced that our Religion, our Liberties, and all our earthly Happiness, under God, depends upon the Preservation of your Majesty's sacred Person, and the Succession in your Royal Line, cannot without the greatest Indignation and Resentment observe the Peace of Europe broken, your Majesty's sacred Person insulted, Engagements enter'd into to place an adjurd Popish Pretender on your Throne, your Dominions

attacked

