

will prove both Honourable and Successful. We therefore beg Leave to assure your Majesty, that we will be always ready to hazard our Lives and Fortunes in Defence of your Royal Person, Family and Government, against the Pretender and all your Majesty's Enemies at Home and Abroad.

The following humble Address of the Bishop, Deans and Chapters, and the rest of the Clergy of the Dioceses of Ferns and Leighlin, in the Kingdom of Ireland, has been presented to His Majesty by his Excellency the Lord Carteret Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Bishop, Deans and Chapters, and the rest of the Clergy of the Dioceses of Ferns and Leighlin, in the Kingdom of Ireland, assembled at their ordinary Visitations.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, being truly sensible of the many Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's happy Reign, humbly beg Leave at this Time to declare our firm and unalterable Fidelity to your sacred Person and Government, and our sincere Attachment to your illustrious House.

After the surest Experience of your Majesty's affectionate Concern for the Welfare of your People, and of the Protection and Countenance you have given to the Protestant Interest, and to the Church as by Law established in this Kingdom, it is impossible for us not to be alarmed at every Appearance that may threaten to deprive us of these invaluable Blessings.

We behold with the highest Satisfaction that Noble and truly British Spirit, that has so seasonably revived in all Parts of your Dominions, upon the Discovery made, thro' the Vigilance of your Majesty and your Ministers, of a Secret Alliance formed abroad for invading your Kingdoms, and placing a Popish Pretender on your Majesty's Throne. And we have a particular Pleasure in observing that this Spirit has been raised by those very Artifices, which, through the ill Judgment of your Majesty's Enemies, were calculated to produce a contrary Effect on the Minds of your People.

The wife and virtuous Part of Mankind must ever detest those dishonourable and ungrateful Attempts made by Powers once in Alliance with your Majesty, and who owe the quiet Possession of their Crowns to the Assistance of the Crown of Great Britain.

As we could not sit still, and forbear to

express the warmest Sentiments of Affection and Duty to your Majesty, at a Juncture like this, so we do assure your Majesty, that we will with Zeal and Assiduity insil the same into the Hearts of the People respectively committed to our Charge.

And as we are not less by Inclination than Duty bound, we will not fail to offer up our fervent Prayers to Heaven for the Preservation of your Majesty's Person, the Felicity of your Government, and the Victory of your Arms.

*Lisbon, April 21, N. S.* The 15th Instant arrived here the Marquês de los Balbâses, Ambassadour Extraordinary from his Catholick Majesty to this Court. He was received at the Water-side and conducted to his House by the Conde d'Ovidos, who was, by the King of Portugal deputed for that Purpose. The 17th the said Ambassadour visited the Secretary of State, and the Day after had a private Audience of their Portuguese Majesties. The 17th Instant sailed from hence Nossa Senhora de Livramento, a Portuguese Man of War bound for Goa. M. Cuides, his Portuguese Majesty's Envoy at the Court of Madrid, being recalled; is expected here the End of next Week. On the 12th and 13th Instant arrived here the Ship Fisher Thomas Gates Master, and the Betty Galley commanded by James Norcom, each in three Days from Gibraltar. The Masters report, that on the 7th Instant the Torbay Man of War arrived there, with all the Transports and Store-Ships under her Convoy; that the Soldiers were all landed, and they were using the utmost Expedition in getting ashore the Artillery and Stores: That Sir Charles Wager was there, with his Squadron, except only two Sixty Gun Ships which were left to cruize off Cadiz; that all the Third Rates were taking in their Water in Hastè, the Admiral intending to hoist his Flag on board the Torbay, and return to Sea on the 11th Instant; leaving four Fifty Gun Ships in the Bay, and two Sixth Rates on the Back of the Mountain, for the Assistance of the Garrison, and for preventing all Communication with the Spanish Army by Water. When these Masters came away, they had lost but 14 Men in the Place.

*Whereas on the 10th Day of April Instant, a Robbery and barbarous Murder was committed on the Body of Widdrington Darby, Son of Richard Darby, Esq; Secondary to Sir George Cooke, Chief Prothonotary of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, at his the said Sir George Cooke's Office in Hare-Court in the Inner-Temple: This is to give Notice, that whoever shall discover the Person or Persons who committed the same, or were concerned therein, so as he she or they be convicted thereof, shall upon such Conviction receive a Reward of*