

Life, and have been the constant Subjects of our Praise and Delight; gave us early Pre- signs of our future Happiness, and the happy Days we might expect under the Reign of a Prince form'd for the Good of Mankind.

Nor were our Expectations vain, for no sooner was your Majesty ascended the Throne, but you was pleas'd to give us an agreeable Assurance of your Royal Intentions in every thing of the last Importance to us, which has exuberantly added to the general Joy, and given all your People an inexpressible Delight, and which, whilst our Religion and Liberties, and our most excellent Constitution are dear to us, will always call for our loudest Acknowledgements, and our steady Loyalty and Affection to your sacred Person and Government.

Permit us, therefore, Dread Sovereign, to tender our sincerest Wishes, that your Majesty, accompanied with your Royal Consort, the Delight of your People, may long sway the British Scepter, and reign in the Hearts of all your Subjects; and when full of Days and Glory you shall be received to an unshaken Kingdom, that your Crowns and Virtues may descend to your illustrious Progeny, those delightful Pledges of our future Happiness, till latest Posterity.

The following humble Address of the Lord High Sheriff, Nobility and Heretors of the Shire of Haddington or East Lothian, has been presented to His Majesty by John Cockburne, Esq; introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Herbert Lord of the Bedchamber to His Majesty in waiting. Which Address His Majesty was pleas'd to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, beg Leave to express the just Sense we have of the Goodness of Almighty God, who upon calling to his Mercy your Royal Father our late most gracious Sovereign, of glorious Memory, has rais'd your Majesty to the Throne, and thereby prevented all those Inconveniencies, that even the most timorous could figure to themselves upon so sudden and unexpected a Stroke of Providence.

Your Majesty's many conspicuous and royal Virtues; and the sincere Regard and Concern you have on all Occasions shewn for our Religion, Liberties and Properties, by Law established, give us full Assurance of the Continuation of all the Blessings we enjoyed under your Royal Father's most mild Government: And as the settling the general Peace of Europe was his principal View in all his Actions, so it has pleas'd Almighty God to reserve to your Majesty the Glory of finishing that great Work which he had so happily begun, and to give

us the agreeable Prospect of seeing it improved by your Royal Wisdom, to the Advantage of your own People.

As the Divine Providence has hitherto bestow'd on us all the Blessings and Advantages we could propose to ourselves from the happy Succession of your Royal Family to the Crown of these Realms; so we assure your Majesty of our hearty, sincere and unalterable Resolutions to preserve these inestimable Blessings, by maintaining and defending, with our Lives and Fortunes, your Majesty's sacred Person, Family and Government, against all your open or secret Enemies, and against the treacherous Attempts of a Popish Pretender to your Crown, and all his Abettors.

May Almighty God prolong your Days and make your Reign Prosperous: May He pour down His best Blessings on your Royal Consort our most gracious Queen: May his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and all your Royal Family be ever under the Divine Care and Protection; and may it be the Happiness of these Lands to have one of your Royal Progeny to reign over them to latest Posterity.

The following humble Address of the Mayor, Sheriffs, and Commonalty of the City of Corke, having been transmitted to his Excellency the Lord Carteret Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has by him been presented to His Majesty. Which Address His Majesty was pleas'd to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E were unworthy of the many Blessings we enjoyed under the auspicious Reign of your Royal Father, if we did not lay hold of this first Opportunity of expressing the deep Regret with which we feel the Death of that excellent Prince, in our Condolance with your Majesty upon the melancholly Occasion; at the same Time we beg Leave with Hearts full of the most sincere and unfeigned Joy, (a Joy that would admit of no other Allay) to congratulate your Majesty on your peaceable Accession to the Throne, which alone can alleviate the otherwise irreparable Loss which we, in common with the rest of your Subjects, must have sustained by the Death of our late gracious Sovereign.

The early, the tender and paternal Regard which your Majesty has express'd for our Constitution in Church and State, demand from us the highest Returns of Gratitude and Loyalty; of which, as the first Instance, we beg your Majesty will graciously accept our most solemn Assurances, that we will, to the utmost of our Power, with our Lives and Fortunes, stand by and support your Majesty against all Attempts of your Enemies: Nor is this Profession large, since your Majesty can have none such but who of Consequence are irreconcilably ours.