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Westminster, May 20.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman-Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from His Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majesty was pleased to give the Royal Assent to,

An Act for enabling his Majesty to borrow any Sum or Sums of Money, not exceeding Six Hundred Thousand Pounds, to be charged upon the Surplusses, Excesses or Overplus Monies, commonly called the Sinking Fund, redeemable by Parliament; and for the further Disposition of the said Fund, by paying off one Million of South-Sea Annuities; and for appropriating the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.

An Act for continuing, for the Purposes therein mentioned, the additional Duties upon stamped Vellum, Parchment and Paper, laid by an Act passed in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the First.

An Act for naturalizing her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales.

An Act for indemnifying Persons, who have been guilty of Offences against the Laws made for securing the Revenues of Customs and Excise; and for enforcing those Laws for the Future.

(Price Six Pence.)

An Act to prevent the Listing his Majesty's Subjects to serve as Soldiers, without his Majesty's Licence.

An Act to restrain the Dispositions of Lands, whereby the same become unalienable.

An Act to explain and amend so much of an Act made in the second Year of his present Majesty's Reign, Intituled, An Act for the more effectual preventing Bribery and Corruption in the Elections of Members to serve in Parliament, as relates to the commencing and carrying on of Prosecutions grounded upon the said Act.

An Act for further encouraging and regulating the Manufacture of British Sail Cloth; and for the more effectual securing the Duties now payable on foreign Sail Cloth imported into this Kingdom.

An Act for rendering the Law more effectual for preventing the Importation of fresh Fish, taken by Foreigners; and to explain so much of an Act made in the Thirteenth and Fourteenth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, as relates to Ships exporting Fish to the Ports of the Mediterranean Sea; and for the better Preservation of the Fry of Lobsters on the Coasts of Scotland.

An Act for building a Bridge cross the River Thames, from the New-Palace-Tard in the City of Westminster, to the opposite Shore in the County of Surrey.

An Act for continuing the Duty of two Pennies Scots, or one sixth of a Penny Sterling, on every Pint of Ale and Beer, that shall be vended or sold within the City of Glasgow; and for extending the same over the Villages of Gorbells and Port Glasgow, and Privileges thereof, for the Benefit of the said City and Villages.

And to nine private Bills.

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After which his Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech.

My Lords and Gentlemen,
THE Dispatch you have given to the publick Business, and the advanced Season of the Year, make it proper to put an End to this Session of Parliament.

I acquainted you, at your first Meeting, that Preliminary Articles had been concluded between the Emperour, and the most Christian King; since which Time, a further Convention, concerning the Execution of them, hath been made, and communicated to me, by both those Courts, and Negotiations are carrying on, by the several Powers engaged in the late War, in order to settle the general Pacification.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I return you my Thanks for the Provisions you have made for the Service of the current Year; you can never better recommend yourselves to my Esteem, and to the good Opinion of those you represent, than by raising the Supplies necessary for the Support of my Government, and for the Service of the Publick, in a Manner the most effectual, and the least burthenfome to my People.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It is a great Concern to me, to see such Seeds of Dissension sown among my good People, as, if not timely prevented, may prove very prejudicial to the Peace and Quiet of my Kingdoms; it is my Desire, and shall be my Care, to preserve the present Constitution in Church and State, as by Law established, perfect and entire, and not to countenance any Attempts to the Prejudice of either. Good Harmony, and mutual Affection, among all the Protestants of this Nation, have been the great Security of the present happy Establishment, from the Revolution to this Time; by this united Strength they will be able to resist the secret and open Attempts of our common Enemies, but divided, they may become a Prey to them. My Protection shall be impartially dispensed to all my Subjects, in the full Enjoyment of their religious and civil Rights; let it be your Care, by your Conduct in your several Stations, to make my Endeavours for your common Happiness effectual.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It being necessary for me to visit my Dominions in Germany again this Year, I have resolved to appoint the Queen Regent here, during my Absence. The Experience you

have already had of her just and prudent Administration, will, I doubt not, engage you all to make the Weight of the publick Affairs as easy to her, as her wise Conduct will render the Government agreeable to you; and this I recommend to you in a particular Manner.

Then the Lord Chancellor, by His Majesty's Command, said,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

IT is His Majesty's Royal Will and Pleasure, that this Parliament be prorogued to Thursday the Twenty ninth Day of July next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the Twenty ninth Day of July next.

Whitehall, May 18.

This Day Dr. Adams, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge, attended by a great Number of Bishops, Noblemen, Heads of Colleges, Doctors in the several Faculties, Masters of Arts, and other Members of that learned Body, were at St. James's in their Formalities, to congratulate his Majesty upon the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with the Princess of Saxe-Gotha; and the Vice-Chancellor presented to his Majesty an Address and a Book of Verses from the University upon that Occasion.

To the King's most excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most loyal Subjects, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of your University of Cambridge, always ambitious to pay our Duty to your Majesty, and gratefully Acknowledge your Goodness to your People, do with the greatest Pleasure appear before your Majesty upon this happy Occasion.

The Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with a Princess of that illustrious Family which protected and supported those who so eminently and successfully opposed the Corruptions and Tyranny of the Church of Rome, evidently shews to the World the great Regard which your Majesty entertains for the Protestant Religion, and your Care to transmit the Blessings of your Reign to future Ages.

As the Memory of that noble Prince John Frederick, Elector of Saxony, whose Virtue and heroic Constancy were admired even by his Enemies, must be highly honoured by all Protestants,

tants, so we cannot but with the greatest Satisfaction look upon the Marriage of a Lady descended from him with the Heir Apparent of the Crown of Great Britain, as an Earnest of Divine Providence to reward his worthy Family for what they have suffered by the glorious Adherence of their Ancestor to the Cause of Religion and Liberty.

From this Union of the Saxon with your Majesty's August House, we most justly Hope for a Succession of Princes, who, following the Examples of their Royal Progenitors, will defend and maintain the religious and civil Rights of their People, and cherish and encourage your University, which has had the Honour to receive from your Majesty, and your Royal Father, distinguishing Marks of Favour and Bounty.

May your Majesty, the best of Fathers, for many Years see the Happiness of the Royal Pair, and thereby receive Addition to your own: May you, through the whole Course of a long Reign, Enjoy the greatest Felicity which the most dutiful Subjects ever pray'd and wished might attend the most esteemed and beloved Princes.

May 10, 1736.

To which His Majesty was pleas'd to return this most gracious Answer.

I Thank you for your affectionate Congratulations on the Marriage of my Son. The Expressions of your Zeal, and Regard for me, and my Family, and your Concern for the Protestant Religion are very agreeable to me. The repeated Marks of your Duty and Loyalty, cannot fail of securing to you the Continuance of my Favour, Encouragement and Protection.

They were introduced by his Grace the Duke of Grafton, Lord Chamberlain of the Household, and all had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

They were then introduced to the Queen by the Earl of Grantham, Lord Chamberlain to her Majesty; to whom the Vice-Chancellor presented the Book of Verses, and made the following Speech.

May it please your Majesty,

THE University of Cambridge begs leave to present to your Majesty this Testimony of their Joy for the Nuptials of his Royal Highness the Prince with the Princess of Saxe Gotha.

The Title of Princess of Wales having been, after a very long Intermission, auspiciously reviv'd in your Royal Person, and by your wearing and giving Lustre to it render'd most grateful to us, earnest have been our Wishes, since your Majesty became possess'd of a higher, to see it again renew'd in the Consort of his Royal Highness the Prince.

These our Wishes having now received their Completion, and being sensible how much we owe to your Majesty, by whom this and other great Blessings have been conveyed to us, we must think ourselves in Duty bound to pray, that your Majesty may long, very long be a Sharer in them; and see the Happiness of their Highnesses, and of every other Branch of the Royal Family.

To which her Majesty was pleas'd to give a most gracious Answer, and they all had the Honour to kiss her Majesty's Hand.

Then they waited upon their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, to whom the Vice-Chancellor presented the Book of Verses, and made the following Speech.

To the Prince.

May it please your Royal Highness,

TO receive with your usual Favour and Goodness this Present, which waits upon you from the University of Cambridge, to congratulate your most happy Nuptials.

It is a Blessing peculiar to his Majesty's Reign, that instead of anxious Thoughts and Fears which the Marriages of our Princes gave formerly to the People, unfeigned Joy doth now fill their Hearts.

How transport'd would this Nation in the last Age have been, to see their Princes joined in Marriage to Protestant Princesses: This Blessing which was denied to them, being by the Favour of Heaven granted to us, we are under the greatest Obligations to be thankful for it, and to wish all imaginable Happiness to your Highness: And we hope that from this auspicious Marriage will spring a Race of Princes in Virtue and Goodness equal to the best, in Glory not inferior to the greatest of their Predecessors:

To the Princess.

May it please your Royal Highness,

TO accept this Tribute of the Cambridge Muses, proud to congratulate your happy Nuptials, and celebrate those Accomplishments with which your Highness is adorn'd, worthy of the Consort of the Prince of Great Britain.

Your Royal Highness having left your own People and your Father's House to compleat the Happiness of the Prince, and perpetuate that of Great Britain; it is a Pleasure to us to think that you will meet with such Returns of tender Affection from their Majesties, Love from your Royal Consort, and Esteem from the British Nation, as will make this Country most agreeable and pleasant to you.

Long may your Royal Highness Live the Joy and Delight of the Prince, and in so constant and uninterrupted a Fashion of the greatest Blessings Heaven can bestow upon you, as to be number'd amongst the most Happy, as well as the most amiable Princesses.

To which his Royal Highness return'd for himself and the Princess his Consort a most obliging Answer. And they all had the Honour to kiss their Royal Highnesses Hands.

From thence they were conducted to their Royal Highnesses the Duke, the Princess Amelia, and the rest of the Princesses, and the Vice-Chancellor presented them with Books, having first made a short Speech, to which he had very obliging Answers; and they were all admitted to kiss the Duke's, and the Princesses Hands.

Whitehall, May 19.

This Day the Right Hon. the Earl of Arran, Chancellor of the University of Oxford, with Dr. Niblett the Vice-Chancellor, attended by a great Number of Bishops, Noblemen, Heads of Colleges and Halls, Doctors in the several Faculties, Masters of Art, and other Members of that learned Body, were at St. James's in their Formalities, to congratulate his Majesty upon the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with the Princess of Saxe-Gotha; and the Vice-Chancellor presented to his Majesty an Address and a Book of Verses from the University on that Occasion.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Oxford, humbly beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty upon the Marriage of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

'Tis to your Majesty, and your illustrious House, that this Nation is indebted for the present Possession and Security of their Religion and Liberties; and it was impossible for your Majesty to have given a more sensible Proof of your great Care to perpetuate these Blessings to your People, than by this Instance of your Wisdom, in marrying the Heir of your Crown and Virtues, to a Princess descended from a Family, so eminently distinguish'd for its steady Adherence to the Protestant Interest.

The great Happiness your People enjoy under your Majesty's mild and auspicious Government, call for the warmest returns of Duty and Gratitude from all your Subjects; and we beg Leave to assure your Majesty, that it shall be our constant Endeavours to render ourselves worthy of your Royal Countenance and Protection, by practising the Duties of Affection and Loyalty to your Majesty's Person and Family, and by instilling the same good Principles into the Minds of the Youth committed to our Care.

May that Almighty Power, by whom Kings Reign, long preserve your Sacred Life, a Blessing to this Church and Nation, and may those Virtues, which now add a Lustre to the Crown in your Majesty's Person, be transmitted down

to your Royal Progeny through all succeeding Generations.

To which his Majesty was pleased to return this most gracious Answer.

I Thank you for your loyal Address, and for this Instance of your Zeal and Affection for my Person and Family. The Assurances you give me of instilling the same Principles of Duty and Loyalty into the Minds of the Youth committed to your Care, are very acceptable to me; and you may be assured, in Return, of my constant Support, Favour, and Protection.

They were introduc'd by his Grace the Duke of Grafton, and all had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

Then they were introduced to the Queen, afterwards to the Prince and Princesses of Wales; and then to their Royal Highnesses the Duke, the Princess Amelia, and the rest of the Princesses: The Vice-Chancellor made short Speeches at presenting the Book of Verses, and received from each of them very gracious and obliging Answers; and they all had the Honour to kiss her Majesty's and their Royal Highnesses Hands.

The following Address of the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, has been presented to his Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Sundon and Sir Charles Wager, their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Lord William Manners: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously; and they all had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of your ancient City and Liberty of Westminster, humbly beg Leave to present to your Majesty our most sincere and hearty Congratulations on the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with her illustrious Highness the Princess of Saxe-Gotha.

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It is with the deepest Sense of Duty and Gratitude, that we reflect on your Majesty's unwearied Care and Concern, not only for the present, but future Happiness of your People, so eminently manifested in compleating these Royal Nuptials.

That your Majesty and our gracious Queen may be blessed with seeing their Royal Highnesses happy in a numerous Issue; That your Majesty's Reign over us may be long and prosperous; and that there may never be wanting one of your Royal House to govern these your Kingdoms, are the most sincere Wishes of, May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most dutiful and faithful Subjects.

Given under our common Seal this 21st Day of May, 1736.

They were afterwards introduced to the Queen by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Grantham her Majesty's Lord Chamberlain, and paid their Compliments to her Majesty as follows.

May it please your Majesty,

THE Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, beg leave to approach your Majesty's sacred Person, with our Congratulations upon the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with the illustrious Princess of Saxe Gotha.

A Princess already so formed to Virtue, and in every distinguishing Quality so equal to her high Birth and Station, will, we promise ourselves, be able to pursue your Majesty's great Example: And in your Majesty she will see every Royal Virtue in as eminent a Degree as ever Queen possessed: She has a most perfect Model before her: And as she can go no higher in her Ambition, than to be as great and good as the present Queen of Great Britain; so she will be sure to compleat the Wishes of the People, if she as much endeavours to make them happy.

May your Majesty long live to give her an Example of every Royal Virtue; and as your Majesty has always made it your greatest Concern to gain the Hearts and Affections of the People, so may her Royal Highness in this, and every other Instance of Perfection, study to follow so great, so good a Pattern.

Her Majesty received them very graciously, and they all had the Honour to kiss her Majesty's Hand.

Then they were introduced to their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, by the Rt. Hon. the Marquess of

Carnarvon, and made their Compliments as follows.

To the Prince,

May it please your Royal Highness,

THE Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, beg Leave to congratulate your Royal Highness on the happy Event of your Marriage with the illustrious Princess of Saxe Gotha.

Your Royal Highness has so eminently distinguished yourself by your princely Virtues, and that great Love and Affection you have upon all Occasions manifested to the People of Great Britain, that we wanted nothing to compleat the Happiness we so justly promised ourselves, but to see the Prince of Wales married to a Princess deserving of your great Virtues and Goodness; and it is with the utmost Pleasure that we find these Wishes fulfilled in the Accomplishments of your Royal Consort.

May this Happiness be long continued to this Nation, and may we be always governed by a Succession of Princes descended from your Royal Highness.

To the Princess.

Madam,

IT is with the greatest Pleasure, that the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, approach your Royal Highness with their Congratulations on your Marriage to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

As you so eminently deserve, Madam, may you long Enjoy the Heart and Affections of your Royal Consort; and from this auspicious Marriage, may there Spring a Race of Princes equal to their great Ancestors in Royal Virtues.

Their Royal Highnesses received them in a very obliging Manner, and they all had the Honour to kiss their Royal Highnesses Hands.

The following Address from the University of Edinburgh has been presented to his Majesty by Patrick Lindeſay, Esq; Member of Parliament for that City, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Lord William Manners: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,
The humble Address of the University of
Edinburgh.

May it please your Majesty,

IT is with Hearts full of Joy, that we your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, presume

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presume to approach your Royal Presence, to congratulate your Majesty upon the late auspicious Marriage betwixt his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and the most illustrious Princess Augusta of Saxe Gotha; a Princess most deservedly celebrated for her illustrious Descent, and still more for her personal Merit.

So happy a Choice of a Consort for the Heir of your Crown, equally shews the Wisdom of your Royal Counsels, and the tender Regard you have to the Happiness of your Subjects; while at once it secures to his Royal Highness the Happiness of his own Life, and to your loyal Subjects the Continuance of the Protestant Religion with the present and succeeding Generations.

A Match betwixt the Heir of the British Crown and a Princess descended of that most serene and heroick Elector of Saxony, who gave so glorious an Occasion to the Name which the Reformation still bears, and with an unshaken Constancy suffer'd so great Hardships for the Sake of it, must necessarily endear your Majesty's Royal Family to all true Protestants, through Europe, and open to your good Subjects a most joyful Prospect into future Ages.

Permit us, great Sir, while we so highly esteem the Wisdom of your Majesty's Counsels, and the Prosperity of your Government, at the same time with Gratitude and Admiration to observe the Goodness and Justice of the divine Providence, in raising to the highest Dignity, and blessing with so full Prosperity the Protestant Descendants of the King of Bohemia and of the Elector of Saxony; two Princes of ever glorious Memory, who suffered so unjustly, and lost so much for the Protestant Religion.

May the same gracious God, who has raised up your Majesty to reign over us, and has hitherto so remarkably bless'd your Royal Person and Government, continue and increase his Favour to your Majesty and your Royal Consort the Queen, and all your Royal Family: May He long preserve your Majesty to reign over a contented and happy People, and to be the Guardian of the Liberties of Europe, and the Preserver of her Peace. May He abundantly bless and long preserve the illustrious Pair lately joy'n'd together in Marriage, and favour them with a numerous Issue to be the Pledges of our Happiness to the latest Times. May He more and more adorn his Highness's Mind with the Royal Endowments befitting his high Station; and, when by a late Removal your Majesty shall exchange an earthly for a Heavenly Crown, may he and his Posterity after him fill your Throne with the most distinguished Prosperity, and inherit the Rewards of their own Merit, and of the Piety and Virtue of their great Ancestors. These

are the sincere Prayers of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most loyal, most obedient and devoted Servants,

The Professors of your loyal
University of Edinburgh.

Signed in our Name and at our Appointment
by *James Smith*, Principal.

The following Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Worcester, has been presented to his Majesty by the Hon. Thomas Winnington, Esq; Recorder, Samuel Sandys and Richard Lockwood, Esqrs. their Representatives, being introduced by the Rt. Hon. William Lord Manners: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously, and they had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Worcester, in Common Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE most humbly presume to congratulate your Majesty upon the happy Nuptials of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, with a Princess, whose amiable Qualities not only recommend her to the Affections of his Royal Highness, but very justly entitle her to the universal Esteem of the whole Nation.

We have upon many Occasions expressed your Majesty's paternal Care and Regard for the Welfare and Happiness of your Subjects, and can't omit expressing our Gratitude for this fresh Instance of your Majesty's Concern for the Prosperity of your People, in concerting an Alliance which carries with it the happy Prospect of securing to us and our latest Posterity the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the Enjoyment of our civil Liberties.

That your Majesty may long reign over us; that her most sacred Majesty may long continue the Ornament of your Throne; and that their Royal Highnesses may be bless'd with a numerous Offspring, who will not only inherit the Crown, but the Virtues of their Progenitors, are the most ardent and sincere Wishes of,

May it please your Majesty,
Your Majesty's most dutiful and
loyal Subjects.

Given under our common Seal this 14th Day
of May, 1736.

The following Address of the Mayor, Aldermen; and Common Council of the Town and County of Nottingham, has been presented to his Majesty by John Plumtree, Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament,

liament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, Lord Lieutenant of the County and Town of Nottingham, and Recorder of the said Town : Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham, at a Common Hall assembled the Twelfth Day of May, 1736.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, humbly beg leave to join in our most sincere and hearty Congratulations on the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with a Princess of the most illustrious House of Saxe Gotha. The personal good Character of her Royal Highness, has already justly recommended her to universal Esteem, and approves your Majesty's Wisdom in this important Transaction, which opens to us a pleasing Prospect of lasting Glory to these Nations, by the Strength it adds to the Protestant Interest, and to the Succession of the Crown of these Kingdoms in your Majesty's Royal Family, which, under God, we esteem the Basis of all our Happiness.

We can never appear before your Majesty without expressing the grateful Sense we have of the many Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's mild and gracious Government, and of your Majesty's tender Care and Concern for the Happiness and Prosperity of your People ; and it must appear to the whole World how much your Majesty has it at Heart, to perpetuate them to our latest Posterity, by engaging such valuable Alliances to your Royal Family, of Persons eminent in themselves for their Religion and Virtue, and every laudable Accomplishment, and of a Race renowned in History for their signal Zeal in the Protestant Cause, and the Liberties of Mankind.

That God Almighty may bless your Majesty's pious Endeavours for the publick Good with suitable Success ; that your Reign over us may be long and happy to your self, as by your Majesty's Goodness it is to your People ; and that these Nations may be always bless'd with Governors of your Majesty's Principles, so manifestly tending to the Welfare and Happiness of your Subjects, is the ardent Prayer of us, your faithful Subjects.

The following Address of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace and Grand Jury of the County of Stafford, has been presented to His

Majesty by J. Lawton, Esq; being introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord William Manners : Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty;
The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace and Grand Jury, assembled together at the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, at Stafford, in and for the County of Stafford, on Tuesday the 4th Day of May, 1736.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Sheriff, Justices of the Peace and Grand Jury of the County of Stafford, humbly beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty upon the late Marriage of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

We cannot but with Hearts full of Joy and Gratitude express the great Satisfaction we and all your loyal Subjects must have in this illustrious Alliance so wisely and justly formed, and by which the Protestant Succession is amply and firmly secured to us and our Posterity, to the utter Confusion of its open and secret Enemies.

Your Majesty has upon all Occasions shewn yourself to be the common Parent of your People, the only Return we are capable of making, is humbly to assure your Majesty, that we will always be ready, with our Lives and Fortunes, to support your Majesty's sacred Person and Government, and to Discountenance those who by any sinister Arts endeavour to raise Jealousies and Discontents among us.

May your Majesty long continue to reign over a loyal and obedient People ; and that there may never be wanting one of your Royal Race to fill the Throne of these Kingdoms, is the hearty Prayer of,

Your Majesty's most faithful and dutiful Subjects.

The following Address of the Bailiffs, Burgeses and Commonalty of the Town of Ludlow; has been presented to His Majesty by Henry Arthur Herbert, Esq; William Corbet, Esq; and Mr. Kettleby, being introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord William Manners : Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

Most Gracious Sovereign,

YOUR Majesty's faithful Subjects the Bailiffs, Burgeses and Commonalty of the Town of Ludlow, beg Leave, among the Crowds of your loyal People, to congratulate your Majesty upon the auspicious Marriage of

of his Royal Highness the Prince with the illustrious Princesses of Saxe-Gotha.

They cannot sufficiently admire and applaud your Majesty's paternal and extensive Care of your People, whilst they behold your Majesty, not content with dispensing Happiness to the present Age, graciously providing Blessings for the future.

All Histories Record how much the Reform'd Religion and Liberties of Germany owe to the August Houses of Brunswick and Saxony, and therefore your loyal Subjects preface, that from this happy Union, a generous Race of Princes will arise, who (not unmindful of their Royal Ancestors) will transmit pure Religion and virtuous Liberty in these Kingdoms, to latest Posterity.

That the Supreme Being, under whose peculiar Protection magnanimous and beneficent Princes Reign, may continue to bless and preserve your sacred Majesty, our most gracious Queen, and all your Royal House, are the constant Prayers of,

May it please your Majesty,
Your most dutiful and loyal
Subjects.

The following Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Assistants of the Town of Shrewsbury, has been presented to his Majesty by Sir Richard Corbet, Bart. and William Kinaston, Esq; their Representatives in Parliament, attended by Henry Arthur Herbert, Esq; being introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Lord William Manners: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Assistants of the Town of Shrewsbury, most heartily Congratulate your Majesty upon the Nuptials of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

Your Majesty's own prudent Choice of a Princess, so eminently distinguish'd for her Stedfastness in the true Religion; the Marriage of the Princess Royal to a Prince so near in Birth and Virtue to our glorious Deliverer; and the present happy Union of his Royal Highness with a most agreeable Princess, descended from an illustrious House, the first magnanimous Defenders of the Protestant Cause, shew your Majesty's wise extensive Views of transmitting to Posterity the Blessings of your Reign, in a Succession of Protestant Princes.

May your Majesty long continue the Head of the Protestant Interest, the Protector of the Peace of Europe, owing to your Majesty's

Influence; and may these Kingdoms, who enjoy the Benefit thereof, and all the Blessings of a wise and steady Administration, be always happy in a Protestant Successor of your Royal Line, to sit upon your Majesty's Throne for ever.

The following Address of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens, and Commonalty of the City of Lincoln, has been presented to his Majesty by Charles Monson, Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament, being 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 Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens, and Commonalty of the City of Lincoln.

May it please your Majesty,

WE esteem ourselves bound in Gratitude, as well as Duty, humbly to offer to your Majesty, our sincerest Congratulations, upon the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

The Security of our religious and civil Rights (of which we have had so long Experience) and the Prospect of a lasting Peace, from your Majesty's Wisdom and Influence, have left your People nothing to wish for, but a Continuance of the same Blessings to their Posterity, which themselves Enjoy under your auspicious Reign.

For supplying this our only Want, your Majesty has now effectually provided, by so happy an Alliance, with a Princess of a consummate Character; and of that August House to whose great Progenitors the Reformation owes its Rise, and the Liberty of Germany its Preservation.

From Princes so eminently Virtuous in themselves, descended from so worthy Ancestors, and bred under the Direction and Example of Parents so conspicuous for Wisdom, Justice and Love of their People, we may expect a glorious Progeny, who shall be a Blessing to the Royal Family, an Honour to the Diadem they shall be born to wear, and a Protection to the Religion and Liberties of our Children yet unborn.

Given under the Common Seal of this City, the 12th Day of May, 1736.

The following Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Portsmouth, in the County of Southampton, has been presented to his Majesty by Thomas Lewis,

presume to approach your Royal Presence, to congratulate your Majesty upon the late auspicious Marriage betwixt his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and the most illustrious Princess Augusta of Saxe Gotha; a Princess most deservedly celebrated for her illustrious Descent, and still more for her personal Merit.

So happy a Choice of a Consort for the Heir of your Crown, equally shews the Wisdom of your Royal Councils, and the tender Regard you have to the Happiness of your Subjects; while at once it secures to his Royal Highness the Happiness of his own Life, and to your loyal Subjects the Continuance of the Protestant Religion with the present and succeeding Generations.

A Match betwixt the Heir of the British Crown and a Princess descended of that most serene and heroick Elector of Saxony, who gave so glorious an Occasion to the Name which the Reformation still bears, and with an unshaken Constancy suffer'd so great Hardships for the Sake of it, must necessarily endear your Majesty's Royal Family to all true Protestants, through Europe, and open to your good Subjects a most joyful Prospect into future Ages.

Permit us, great Sir, while we so highly esteem the Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils, and the Prosperity of your Government, at the same time with Gratitude and Admiration to observe the Goodness and Justice of the divine Providence, in raising to the highest Dignity, and blessing with so full Prosperity the Protestant Descendants of the King of Bohemia and of the Elector of Saxony; two Princes of ever glorious Memory, who suffered so unjustly, and lost so much for the Protestant Religion.

May the same gracious God, who has raised up your Majesty to reign over us, and has hitherto so remarkably bless'd your Royal Person and Government, continue and increase his Favour to your Majesty and your Royal Consort, the Queen, and all your Royal Family: May He long preserve your Majesty to reign over a contented and happy People, and to be the Guardian of the Liberties of Europe, and the Preserver of her Peace. May He abundantly bless and long preserve the illustrious Pair lately joyn'd together in Marriage, and favour them with a numerous Issue to be the Pledges of our Happiness to the latest Times. May He more and more adorn his Highness's Mind with the Royal Endowments befitting his high Station; and, when by a late Removal your Majesty shall exchange an earthly for a Heavenly Crown, may he and his Posterity after him fill your Throne with the most distinguished Prosperity, and inherit the Rewards of their own Merit, and of the Piety and Virtue of their great Ancestors. These

are the sincere Prayers of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most loyal, most obedient and devoted Servants,

The Professors of your loyal
University of Edinburgh.

Signed in our Name and at our Appointment
by *James Smith*, Principal.

The following Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Worcester, has been presented to his Majesty by the Hon. Thomas Winnington, Esq; Recorder, Samuel Sandys and Richard Lockwood, Esqrs. their Representatives, being introduced by the Rt. Hon. William Lord Manners: Which Address his Majesty was pleas'd to receive very graciously, and they had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Worcester, in Common Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE most humbly presume to congratulate your Majesty upon the happy Nuptials of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, with a Princess, whose amiable Qualities not only recommend her to the Affections of his Royal Highness, but very justly entitle her to the universal Esteem of the whole Nation.

We have upon many Occasions expressed your Majesty's paternal Care and Regard for the Welfare and Happiness of your Subjects, and can't omit expressing our Gratitude for this fresh Instance of your Majesty's Concern for the Prosperity of your People, in concerting an Alliance which carries with it the happy Prospect of securing to us and our latest Posterity the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the Enjoyment of our civil Liberties.

That your Majesty may long reign over us; that her most sacred Majesty may long continue the Ornament of your Throne; and that their Royal Highnesses may be bless'd with a numerous Offspring, who will not only inherit the Crown, but the Virtues of their Progenitors, are the most ardent and sincere Wishes of,

May it please your Majesty,
Your Majesty's most dutiful and
loyal Subjects.

Given under our common Seal this 14th Day
of May, 1736.

The following Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the Town and County of Nottingham, has been presented to his Majesty by John Plumtree, Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament,

It is with the deepest Sense of Duty and Gratitude, that we reflect on your Majesty's unwearied Care and Concern, not only for the present, but future Happiness of your People, so eminently manifested in compleating these Royal Nuptials.

That your Majesty and our gracious Queen may be blessed with seeing their Royal Highnesses happy in a numerous Issue; That your Majesty's Reign over us may be long and prosperous; and that there may never be wanting one of your Royal House to govern these your Kingdoms, are the most sincere Wishes of,

May it please your Majesty,
Your Majesty's most dutiful and faithful Subjects.

Given under our common Seal this 21st Day of May, 1736.

They were afterwards introduced to the Queen by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Grantham her Majesty's Lord Chamberlain, and paid their Compliments to her Majesty as follows.

May it please your Majesty,

THE Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesles, Burgesles, High Constable, and Burgesles Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, beg leave to approach your Majesty's sacred Person, with our Congratulations upon the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with the illustrious Princess of Saxe Gotha.

A Princess already so formed to Virtue, and in every distinguishing Quality so equal to her high Birth and Station, will, we promise ourselves, be able to pursue your Majesty's great Example: And in your Majesty she will see every Royal Virtue in as eminent a Degree as ever Queen possessed: She has a most perfect Model before her: And as she can go no higher in her Ambition, than to be as great and good as the present Queen of Great Britain; so she will be sure to compleat the Wishes of the People, if she as much endeavours to make them happy.

May your Majesty long live to give her an Example of every Royal Virtue; and as your Majesty has always made it your greatest Concern to gain the Hearts and Affections of the People, so may her Royal Highness in this, and every other Instance of Perfection, study to follow so great, so good a Pattern.

Her Majesty received them very graciously, and they all had the Honour to kiss her Majesty's Hand.

Then they were introduced to their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, by the Rt. Hon. the Marquess of

Carnarvon, and made their Compliments as follows.

To the Prince.

May it please your Royal Highness,

THE Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesles, Burgesles, High Constable, and Burgesles Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, beg Leave to congratulate your Royal Highness on the happy Event of your Marriage with the illustrious Princess of Saxe Gotha.

Your Royal Highness has so eminently distinguished yourself by your princely Virtues, and that great Love and Affection you have upon all Occasions manifested to the People of Great Britain, that we wanted nothing to compleat the Happiness we so justly promised ourselves, but to see the Prince of Wales married to a Princess deserving of your great Virtues and Goodness; and it is with the utmost Pleasure that we find these Wishes fulfilled in the Accomplishments of your Royal Consort.

May this Happiness be long continued to this Nation, and may we be always governed by a Succession of Princes descended from your Royal Highness.

To the Princess.

Madam,

IT is with the greatest Pleasure, that the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesles, Burgesles, High Constable, and Burgesles Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, approach your Royal Highness with their Congratulations on your Marriage to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

As you so eminently deserve, Madam, may you long Enjoy the Heart and Affections of your Royal Consort; and from this auspicious Marriage, may there Spring a Race of Princes equal to their great Ancestors in Royal Virtues.

Their Royal Highnesses received them in a very obliging Manner, and they all had the Honour to kiss their Royal Highnesses Hands.

The following Address from the University of Edinburgh has been presented to his Majesty by Patrick Lindesay, Esq; Member of Parliament for that City, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Lord William Manners: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,
The humble Address of the University of
Edinburgh.

May it please your Majesty,

IT is with Hearts full of Joy, that we your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, presume

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To which his Royal Highness return'd for himself and the Princess his Consort a most obliging Answer. And they all had the Honour to kiss their Royal Highnesses Hands.

From thence they were conducted to their Royal Highnesses the Duke, the Princess Amelia, and the rest of the Princesses, and the Vice-Chancellor presented them with Books, having first made a short Speech, to which he had very obliging Answers; and they were all admitted to kiss the Duke's, and the Princesses Hands.

Whitehall, May 19.

This Day the Right Hon. the Earl of Arran, Chancellor of the University of Oxford, with Dr. Niblett the Vice-Chancellor, attended by a great Number of Bishops, Noblemen, Heads of Colleges and Halls, Doctors in the several Faculties, Masters of Art, and other Members of that learned Body, were at St. James's in their Formalities, to congratulate his Majesty upon the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with the Princess of Saxe-Gotha; and the Vice-Chancellor presented to his Majesty an Address and a Book of Verses from the University on that Occasion.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Oxford, humbly beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty upon the Marriage of the Prince and Princess of Wales.

'Tis to your Majesty, and your illustrious House, that this Nation is indebted for the present Possession and Security of their Religion and Liberties; and it was impossible for your Majesty to have given a more sensible Proof of your great Care to perpetuate these Blessings to your People, than by this Instance of your Wisdom, in marrying the Heir of your Crown and Virtues, to a Princess descended from a Family, so eminently distinguish'd for its steady Adherence to the Protestant Interest.

The great Happiness your People enjoy under your Majesty's mild and auspicious Government, call for the warmest returns of Duty and Gratitude from all your Subjects; and we beg Leave to assure your Majesty, that it shall be our constant Endeavours to render ourselves worthy of your Royal Countenance and Protection, by practising the Duties of Affection and Loyalty to your Majesty's Person and Family, and by instilling the same good Principles into the Minds of the Youth committed to our Care.

May that Almighty Power, by whom Kings Reign, long preserve your Sacred Life, a Blessing to this Church and Nation, and may those Virtues, which now add a Lustre to the Crown in your Majesty's Person, be transmitted down

to your Royal Progeny through all succeeding Generations.

To which his Majesty was pleased to return this most gracious Answer.

I Thank you for your loyal Address, and for this Instance of your Zeal and Affection for my Person and Family. The Assurances you give me of instilling the same Principles of Duty and Loyalty into the Minds of the Youth committed to your Care, are very acceptable to me; and you may be assured, in Return, of my constant Support, Favour, and Protection.

They were introduc'd by his Grace the Duke of Grafton, and all had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

Then they were introduced to the Queen, afterwards to the Prince and Princesses of Wales; and then to their Royal Highnesses the Duke, the Princess Amelia, and the rest of the Princesses: The Vice-Chancellor made short Speeches at presenting the Book of Verses, and received from each of them very gracious and obliging Answers; and they all had the Honour to kiss her Majesty's and their Royal Highnesses Hands.

The following Address of the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster, has been presented to his Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Sundon and Sir Charles Wager, their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Lord William Manners: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously; and they all had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of the City and Liberty of Westminster.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord High Steward, Deputy Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, High Constable, and Burgesses Assistants of your ancient City and Liberty of Westminster, humbly beg Leave to present to your Majesty our most sincere and hearty Congratulations on the Marriage of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with her illustrious Highness the Princess of Saxe-Gotha.

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tants, so we cannot but with the greatest Satisfaction look upon the Marriage of a Lady descended from him with the Heir Apparent of the Crown of Great Britain, as an Earnest of Divine Providence to reward his worthy Family for what they have suffered by the glorious Adherence of their Ancestor to the Cause of Religion and Liberty.

From this Union of the Saxon with your Majesty's August House, we most justly Hope for a Succession of Princes, who, following the Examples of their Royal Progenitors, will defend and maintain the religious and civil Rights of their People, and cherish and encourage your University, which has had the Honour to receive from your Majesty, and your Royal Father, distinguishing Marks of Favour and Bounty.

May your Majesty, the best of Fathers, for many Years see the Happiness of the Royal Pair, and thereby receive Addition to your own: May you, through the whole Course of a long Reign, Enjoy the greatest Felicity which the most dutiful Subjects ever pray'd and wished might attend the most esteemed and beloved Princes.

May 10, 1736.

To which His Majesty was pleas'd to return this most gracious Answer.

I Thank you for your affectionate Congratulations on the Marriage of my Son. The Expressions of your Zeal, and Regard for me, and my Family, and your Concern for the Protestant Religion are very agreeable to me. The repeated Marks of your Duty and Loyalty, cannot fail of securing to you the Continuance of my Favour, Encouragement and Protection.

They were introduced by his Grace the Duke of Grafton, Lord Chamberlain of the Household, and all had the Honour to kiss his Majesty's Hand.

They were then introduced to the Queen by the Earl of Grantham, Lord Chamberlain to her Majesty; to whom the Vice-Chancellor presented the Book of Verses, and made the following Speech.

May it please your Majesty,

THE University of Cambridge begs leave to present to your Majesty this Testimony of their Joy for the Nuptials of his Royal Highness the Prince with the Princess of Saxé Gotha.

The Title of Princess of Wales having been, after a very long Intermission, auspiciously reviv'd in your Royal Person, and by your wearing and giving Lustre to it render'd most grateful to us, earnest have been our Wishes, since your Majesty became possess'd of a higher, to see it again renew'd in the Consort of his Royal Highness the Prince.

These our Wishes having now received their Completion, and being sensible how much we owe to your Majesty, by whom this and other great Blessings have been conveyed to us, we must think ourselves in Duty bound to pray, that your Majesty may long, very long be a Sharer in them; and see the Happiness of their Highnesses, and of every other Branch of the Royal Family.

To which her Majesty was pleas'd to give a most gracious Answer, and they all had the Honour to kiss her Majesty's Hand.

Then they waited upon their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, to whom the Vice-Chancellor presented the Book of Verses, and made the following Speech.

To the Prince.

May it please your Royal Highness,

TO receive with your usual Favour and Goodness this Present, which waits upon you from the University of Cambridge, to congratulate your most happy Nuptials.

It is a Blessing peculiar to his Majesty's Reign, that instead of anxious Thoughts and Fears which the Marriages of our Princes gave formerly to the People, unfeigned Joy doth now fill their Hearts.

How transport'd would this Nation in the last Age have been, to see their Princes joined in Marriage to Protestant Princesses: This Blessing which was denied to them, being by the Favour of Heaven granted to us, we are under the greatest Obligations to be thankful for it, and to wish all imaginable Happiness to your Highness: And we hope that from this auspicious Marriage will spring a Race of Princes in Virtue and Goodness equal to the best, in Glory not inferior to the greatest of their Predecessors.

To the Princess.

May it please your Royal Highness,

TO accept this Tribute of the Cambridge Muses, proud to congratulate your happy Nuptials; and celebrate those Accomplishments with which your Highness is adorn'd, worthy of the Consort of the Prince of Great Britain.

Your Royal Highness having left your own People and your Father's House to compleat the Happiness of the Prince, and perpetuate that of Great Britain; it is a Pleasure to us to think that you will meet with such Returns of tender Affection from their Majesties, Love from your Royal Consort, and Esteem from the British Nation, as will make this Country most agreeable and pleasant to you.

Long may your Royal Highness Live the Joy and Delight of the Prince, and in so constant and uninterrupted a F. tion of the greatest Blessings Heaven can bestow upon you, as to be number'd amongst the most Happy, as well as the most amiable Princesses.

To