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St. James's, January 16.

THIS Day the following Addresses were presented to the King, which his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

WE the Provost, Dean of Guild, Bailiffs, Treasurer, and Commons of your Majesty's ancient City of St. Andrews in Common Council assembled, most humbly beg Leave to express our Joy on your Majesty's safe Return to your British Dominions, after so many Dangers to which your Royal Person was exposed in the common Cause of Europe: And to congratulate your Majesty upon the Success of your Endeavours to restore the Peace of Europe, so often interrupted by the busy Intigues, the interested and ambitious Designs of France, so very dangerous to the Freedom and Independency of every State in it.

It is most apparent to us, that the House of Austria (which in these later Ages has, in Conjunction with other Powers, so often check'd the Progress of the House of Bourbon towards universal Empire) would have been utterly ruined, had it not been, through your Majesty's great Wisdom, supported by its ancient and natural Allies of Great Britain and the States General. The Cause is common; our own Freedom and Independency, as well as theirs, depends upon the reciprocal Aid and Assistance of one another, in all such Times of common Danger; and are only to be secured by such a Peace as may restore and preserve a just Equilibrium of Power in Europe; such a Balance of Power, as may oblige the House of Bourbon to rest satisfied with the large and extensive Dominions which it now possesses, and effectually to restrain it from thus wantonly waisting the Blood and Treasures of its own Subjects, as well as of other Nations, in making Conquests and Encroachments upon other States, on every plausible Occasion of Success.

We likewise beg Leave to lay hold of this Opportunity to congratulate your Majesty upon the Increase of your Royal Family by the Birth of another Prince to his Royal Highness; and also on the Marriage of your Royal Daughter to the Prince Royal of Denmark, which will prove a further Strength and Security to the Protestant Interest in Europe.

That your Majesty's Reign may be long and prosperous; and that there may never be wanting one of your Royal House to sway the Scepter over us, is the fervent Prayer of,
 May it please your Majesty,
 Your Majesty's most dutiful, most loyal
 and faithful Subjects and Servants.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Provost, Bailiffs, Deacons of Crafts and Remanent Members of the Council of the Burgh of Forfar in Common Council assembled.

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty on your safe Arrival in Britain, and the Success of the Army in Germany under your Royal Command; the Preservation of your Majesty's sacred Person, is a Blessing not to be forgot; as we hope it tends not only to restore our decay'd Trade, but settling the Tranquility, and restoring the Balance of Power in Europe.

We beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty on the Birth of a young Prince; an additional Pledge of our future Happiness; and of the Princess Louisa's Marriage with the Prince Royal of Denmark, another happy Event for strengthening the Protestant Succession in your illustrious House.

Signed in Presence and at Desire of the
 Common Council, By

Forfar, Jan: 5, Alex. Binns. Provost.
 1744.

Cumberland, in Port Royal Harbour, Jamaica,
 November 7.

On the 28th of September arrived his Majesty's Ship the Adventure from her Cruize off St. Jago, and brought in with her two Sloops, the one an English Sloop retaken, the other Spanish with some Cocoa on-board, but both Vessels were deserted by the Spaniards, who got a-shore. Likewise the same Day the Cumberland Man of War's Tender came in with a Spanish Scooner, which she had taken off of Cape Cruise, of considerable Value; as did also his Majesty's Ship the Experiment, which had seen Captain Stevens in the Ludlow Castle with his Convoy clear of Crooked Island. And on the 25th arrived the Sea Horse from cruising in the Windward Passage, and brought in with her a Spanish Scooner, which she had taken off of
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