

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen Freeholders of the County of Kilkenny.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen Freeholders of the County of Kilkenny, assembled at the Assizes held for the said County, on Thursday the Twenty-second Day of March, One thousand seven hundred forty and three, having heard that Attempts have been forming, in Favour of a popish Pretender, to disturb the Peace of these your Majesty's Kingdoms, by the Aid of a Foreign Power, the common Disturbers of the Peace and Tranquility of Europe, and to interrupt the Happiness we so amply enjoy under your Majesty's most auspicious Government, for the Support of which, and the general Cause of Europe, your Majesty so lately exposed your Royal Person,

Humbly beg Leave to take this our earliest Opportunity of expressing our great Concern for, and Abhorrence of the Indignity intended to your Royal Person and Government, and against the Tranquility of your Majesty's Kingdoms, as well as the Rashness of so insolent an Undertaking.

And as we are most truly sensible of the many Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's most mild and prudent Administration, humbly beg Leave to assure your Majesty, of our inviolable Zeal and sincerest Attachment to your sacred Person and Government.

And that we will, to the utmost of our Power, as well on this as all other Occasions, at the Hazard of our Lives and Fortunes, exert ourselves in Defence of your Royal Person and Government, and illustrious Family, under whom alone our Religion, Laws and Liberties, can be safe. And we doubt not, but that by your Majesty's great Wisdom and Vigilance, and the Blessing of God on your Arms, these Attempts of our Enemies will be entirely frustrated, and tend only more firmly to unite the Hearts and Affections of your Majesty's loyal Protestant Subjects.

The following Address of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Burgeses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda, having been transmitted by his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, to his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to his Majesty: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Burgeses and Commons of the County of the Town of Drogheda.

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, humbly beg Leave to express our hearty Abhorrence of the Designs in Agitation of invading your Majesty's Kingdoms in Favour of a popish Pretender.

The uninterrupted Enjoyment of all our Rights, civil and religious, since the Accession of your Majesty's illustrious House to the Crown of these Realms, and the many Instances we have had of your Majesty's paternal Care for the Welfare of your People, will be ever had in most grateful Remembrance by us. And we persuade ourselves, that Obligations of this Sort have so united all your Majesty's Subjects, that every Attempt to deprive us of that Happiness will be rendered vain and ineffectual, it being impossible to shake a Throne that is strengthened by the Justice of a King, and guarded by the Affections of his People.

We further beg Leave to assure our most gracious Sovereign, that we will not only at this critical Juncture, but on every other Occasion, exert ourselves, to the utmost of our Power, and think our Lives and Fortunes only valuable, as they can assist in preserving to us the Blessings of your Majesty's Government, and in supporting the Succession of the Crown in your Royal Line, upon which our Happiness and that of our Posterity depends.

Given under our common Seal this 28th Day of March, 1744.

The following Address of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen Freeholders of the County of Antrim, and Kingdom of Ireland, having been transmitted by his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, to his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to his Majesty: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen Freeholders of the County of Antrim, and Kingdom of Ireland, at an Assizes and General Goal Delivery held at Carrickfergus, the Seventeenth Day of March 1743.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Freeholders of the County of Antrim, think it incumbent on us, upon this Occasion, to express our grateful Sense of the many Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's most mild and excellent Government, our great Zeal, Loyalty and Affection for your Majesty and your most illustrious Family, and our Detestation and Abhorrence of the wicked and insolent Schemes of your Enemies, who



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