

Burgesses, and principal Inhabitants of your Majesty's ancient Borough of Bridgwater, humbly beg Leave to approach your Royal Presence, with our most sincere Congratulations on the late signal Victory, obtained (through the Blessing of God) by your Majesty's Forces over the Rebels, under the auspicious Command and Conduct of his Royal Highness the Duke; an Event that has not only entirely dispelled the gloomy Prospect of all the Horrors of Popery, of abject and ignominious Slavery, of Tyranny and arbitrary Power, but has also effectually secured to us the free Profession and open Exercise of our most pure and holy Religion, the undisturbed Possession of our Properties, and the full Enjoyment of our Laws and Liberties.

Happy are the People who are blest'd with such invaluable Privileges, and happy ever be the Prince, who thinks them deserving of his Care and Protection.

To you therefore, Great Sir, are the united Thanks of all Englishmen due, for that eminent Instance of your Affection to them, in inspiring your Army with the inimitable Example and Courage of our illustrious Hero, your Royal Son, who, superior to all Difficulties, and dismayed by no Dangers, with his usual Intrepidity, hazarded his Life in the Cause of his Country, has broken the Neck of Rebellion, and has been the glorious Instrument of preserving our most excellent Constitution.

That he may always continue the peculiar Care, and live the Favourite of Heaven; that your Majesty may be blessed with a long and happy Reign over a free and obedient People; and that your Royal Progeny may govern these Kingdoms to latest Posterity, are the ardent Prayers of your Majesty's most dutiful and faithful Subjects.

- May 26, 1746.

The following Address of the Governor, Assistants, Wardens and Fellowship of Merchant Adventurers of the Town and County of Newcastle upon Tyne, having been transmitted by Matthew Ridley, Esq; their Governor, 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 Governor, Assistants, Wardens and Fellowship of Merchant Adventurers of the Town and County of Newcastle upon Tyne.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's loyal and faithful Subjects, the Governor, Assistants, Wardens, and Fellowship of Merchant Adventurers of Newcastle upon Tyne, beg Leave most humbly to present to your Majesty, our sincere and

fervent Congratulations on the late glorious Success of your Majesty's Arms against an insatuated Number of your rebellious Subjects; aided and supported by the inveterate Enemies to the Protestant Religion, and to the Peace of these Nations, with a View to establish Popery, with its constant Attendants, arbitrary Power and Slavery.

When we look back on the imminent Danger that threatened us, we have great Reason to be thankful to Almighty God, who hath so signally interposed and preserved us; and in a particular Manner are we bounden to express our thankful Acknowledgements to your Majesty for your paternal Care of your People, in sending his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland to command your Troops, a Testimony to the whole World, that the Interests of your Majesty and of your Subjects are interwoven and inseparable.

The Valour, Prudence, and Activity of his Royal Highness have so manifestly appeared, that all true Britons must confess, that the Preservation and Establishment of the valuable Privileges they now enjoy, wholly depend on your Majesty and your Royal Off-spring being their Defenders. And we most earnestly hope, that this Rebellion, which has thrown your Kingdoms into great Confusion, will in the End prove their Advantage, by fixing the Wavering, convincing the deluded Part of your Majesty's Subjects, and destroying all future Attempts of the Enemies of your Majesty and the British People, in their Endeavours to impose a popish Pretender upon these Nations.

We pray, that your Majesty may long reign in the Hearts and Affections of your Subjects; that your Majesty's Arms may be victorious in the noble Cause in which you are now engaged, in asserting and defending the Liberties of Europe; and that the Crown of these Realms may for ever continue on the Head of your sacred Majesty, and those descended from your Royal House.

Given under our common Seal the 31st Day of May, 1746.

Matthew Ridley, Governor.

The following Address of the Justices of Peace, Barrons and Freeholders in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, having been transmitted to his Grace the Duke of Argyll, 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 Justices of Peace, Barrons and Freeholders in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Justices of Peace, Barrons and