

and Freeholders in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright, most humbly beg Leave to approach your Majesty, and to offer our most hearty and sincere Congratulations on the glorious and compleat Victory obtained over the Rebels, inveterate and irreconcilable Enemies to your Majesty's Person and Government, and to our happy Constitution in Church and State, by your Majesty's Forces, under the Command of that incomparable Prince and General his Royal Highness William Duke of Cumberland, our Deliverer (under God and your Majesty) from Oppression and Slavery.

His Royal Highness's distinguished Behaviour and Conduct upon this great Occasion, must afford your Majesty, and all the Friends to our happy Constitution, the truest Satisfaction, as it is the just and natural Effect of your Royal Example and Instructions; and gives the most pleasing Assurance of what great Things may be farther expected from his Royal Highness upon all Occasions, where the Honour and Interest of this Nation, and the Cause of Liberty and Religion, are concerned.

We have, and always will retain, a deep and indeleble Sense of the happy Effects and Consequences which must follow from this glorious Victory, a perfect Deliverance from our Fears of Popery and arbitrary Power, and their inseparable Concomitants, Ignorance, Cruelty and Slavery, besides becoming a Province to, and receiving Laws and Model of Government from our natural and irreconcilable Enemy the French King.

We have also a just and no less lasting Sense of the great and singular Happiness and Security which we enjoy under your Majesty's most wise and merciful Administration; our Religion, Laws, Liberty and Property, not only undisturbed and uninvaded, but with the utmost Care and Diligence supported and preserved to us, Blessings we scarcely ever tasted before the happy Revolution under King William, of immortal Memory, which, among many other inestimable Blessings, conveyed unto us that of the Succession of your Majesty's illustrious House.

As we are confident, that by your Majesty's Wisdom, and that of your loyal Parliament, proper and effectual Measures will be taken for rooting out the Seeds of our late Disturbances, and securing us against their springing up in Time coming; so we most humbly beg Leave to assure your Majesty, that we will cheerfully contribute, as far as in us lies, to attain such desirable Purposes, and to support your Majesty's Government, as the best and surest Way of expressing our Gratitude to you, and securing the Religion and Liberty of our Country.

That Almighty God, King of Kings, may still protect your Majesty; and that the same good Success may always attend your Arms by Sea and Land, till you see the Liberties of Europe in general, and the Peace and Happiness of your Kingdoms settled upon a firm and lasting

Foundation; and that these Kingdoms may never want one of your Royal House to sway their Sceptre, and another to lead their Armies to Victory and Renown; and that our young Hero, his Royal Highness the Duke, may continue to be the Terror of Rebels, and the Scourge of Tyrants, are the most ardent and sincere Prayers of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Justices of Peace, Barrons and Freeholders in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright. Subscribed in their Presence, and at their Appointment, by David Maxwell of Bardrochwood, their Preses.

*David Maxwell.*

The following Address of the Governour and Members of his Majesty's Council of Barbados, having been transmitted by Sir Thomas Robinson, Bart. 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 Governour and the Members of his Majesty's Council of Barbados, in Council, on the Eighteenth Day of February, One thousand seven hundred and forty five.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Governour and Members of your Majesty's Council, beg Leave to offer up to the Throne our sincere Acknowledgments for all those Indulgencies of Government which have from time to time assisted the declining Manufactures of this Island, and still continue to preserve them from greater Difficulties, by propitiously securing our Trade and Correspondence, as far as human Vigilance can, from the Dangers of the present War. Accept, Dread Sir, our peculiar Thanks for that signal Mark of Bounty, by which your Majesty, in your Royal Condescension to our Prayer, has been pleased so early and so graciously to succour these your remoter Colonies, at a Crisis when the Powers of France had surrounded, and seem'd to threaten our Lives and Fortunes: So imminent a Danger, obviated by so effectual an Interposition, must from deep Conviction teach the British Subject, that your Majesty's Cares are extended far and wide as your Dominions.

The Distress, which the Enemy now sustains from the total Destruction of their trading Fleet, by the Activity of Vice Admiral Townshend in these Southern Seas, consider'd with the