

Purpose, viz. Sir Joshua Van Neck, Bart. George Amyand, James Crockatt, Jonas Hanway, William Mayne, Joseph Mellish, Henry Muilman, Robert Nettleton, George Prescott, Joseph Salvador, Henry Shiffner, Peter Symond, John Thornton, Samuel Touchet, and Joseph Watkins, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Manchester, one of the Lords of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber in Waiting.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Merchants of the City of London.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Merchants of your City of London, most humbly beg Leave at this Time, when your Majesty and your Kingdoms are openly menaced, to address your Majesty with the strongest Assurances of our inviolable Attachment to your Majesty's sacred Person and Government.

When we reflect on the wise and vigorous Measures of your Majesty, in Resentment of which the present desperate Enterprizes of our Enemies are undertaken, we do, with the utmost Gratitude, acknowledge your Majesty's paternal Care, in making such effectual Provision for the Safety and Defence of these Kingdoms, not only by the Exertion of their natural Strength, but in providing and consenting to such further Assistance as the present Exigency has made necessary.

Nor can we omit our most unfeigned Acknowledgements for your Majesty's constant Attention to preserve the British Rights and Possessions in America, and the Properties of our Fellow Subjects there, with which the Commerce and Prosperity of these Kingdoms are so essentially connected.

Permit us therefore humbly to assure your Majesty, that we will most heartily and zealously exert ourselves, in every Instance, for the Support of the publick Credit of this Kingdom, and that no Hazard or Expence shall deter us from cheerfully contributing to enable your Majesty to maintain the just Cause in which you are engaged, and to repel the most daring Attempts of your Enemies, in such Manner as your Majesty shall judge necessary for supporting the Honour and Dignity of your Crown, and the Welfare and Happiness of a free and grateful People.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return this most Gracious Answer.

I Thank you for this affectionate, and seasonable Address. It is a great Satisfaction to Me, that the Measures, which I have taken, for

the Security of the Rights, and Possessions, of My Crown, and for the Support of the Trade, and Commerce, of My Kingdoms, are so agreeable to My Trading Subjects; and they may always depend upon My Countenance, and Protection. The Publick Credit is an Object, which I have extremely at Heart; and nothing can be more acceptable to Me, than the Zeal, you express, for the Support of it.

St. James's, April 10.

The following Address of the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of the City of Bristol, has been presented to His Majesty by Robert Nugent, Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of the City of Bristol, in Common Council assembled.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Burgesses and Commonalty of the City of Bristol, in Common Council assembled, being deeply sensible of the publick Danger in this critical Conjuncture, do humbly beg Leave to assure your Majesty, of our Fidelity and inviolable Attachment to your sacred Person, and the Protestant Succession in your illustrious House.

We are firmly persuaded, that the numerous Instances of your Majesty's great Goodness to your People, will (from Principles of Justice, Gratitude, and Honour) zealously unite them, in the Maintenance and Support of your Majesty's most mild and gracious Government; on the Security of which, the Enjoyment of our Civil and Religious Rights entirely depends. Our most sincere and dutiful Acknowledgments will be ever due for those wise and vigorous Measures your Majesty hath pursued, in order to repel any daring or unjust Attempt against these Kingdoms: And as every true Protestant must detest so presumptuous an Enterprize, your faithful Citizens of Bristol will, at the Hazard of their Lives and Fortunes, cheerfully defend your Royal Person, Crown and Dignity, against all Enemies whatsoever.

The following Address of the Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens and Commonalty of the City of Norwich, in Common Council assembled, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Hon. Lord Hobart, Comptroller of His Majesty's Household, and the Right Hon. Horatio Walpole, Representatives in Parliament for the said City: Which Address His Majesty was pleased