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AT the Court at St. James's, the 9th Day of November, 1759.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Proclamation of the 15th of May last, "For giving Encouragement to Seamen and able bodied Landmen to enter themselves on board His Majesty's Ships of War; for granting Rewards for discovering such Seamen as shall conceal themselves; for pardoning such Seamen as have deserted and shall return into the Service; and also for taking up all stragling Seamen," hath been prolonged and extended to this Ninth Day of November,—And whereas it is judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the same should be continued for some Time longer—His Majesty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His privy Council, hereby Order that the said Time be prolonged and extended from this Ninth Day of November, to the Thirty First Day of December next, and that the Bounties and Rewards given and granted by His Majesty's aforementioned Proclamation, be continued to be paid until the said Thirty-First Day of December next—Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

W. Blair.

St. James's, December 11.

The following Address of the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Oxford, has been presented to His Majesty by Sir Thomas Stapleton, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Oxford, in the County of Oxford.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Oxford in the County of Oxford, in Common Council assembled, most humbly beg Leave to approach your Majesty with our warmest Congratulations, upon the many glorious and unparalleled Successes of your Majesty's Arms, both at Sea and Land.

The Dispossessing our Enemies of the Incroachments made by them upon your Majesty's Dominions in North America, during the Times of profound Peace; the many Victories obtained over them in Battle, against great Superiority of Numbers; the Destruction made in their Marine; and the Reduction of their Cities and Strong Places, which have generally been thought impregnable, are all signal Instances, that our Enemies have but little Pretention to that Reputation in Arms, which they do so proudly boast of; and that the Bravery of British Forces, directed by the Conduct, and inspired by the Example of British Commanders, is far superior to all Difficulties.

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Permit us also, Dread Sir, to congratulate your Majesty upon the late important Success of your Majesty's Arms at Sea, against that desperate Attempt of invading your Majesty's Dominions openly with an hostile Force, and with Hearts full of Joy and Gratitude, to return our sincerest Thanks to your Majesty, as (next under Providence) the Great Author of all our Triumphs: By whose Care and Vigilance the Trade and Commerce of these Kingdoms have been secured, and we, and all your Subjects, protected in the full Exercise and Enjoyment of our Civil and Religious Liberties, through the whole Course of your Reign, and by whose Wisdom and Councils in these Times of Danger and Difficulty, the Intrigues and Malice of your Enemies have been disappointed, their Infults chastised, and the British Name and Arms rendered glorious to all succeeding Ages.

May your Majesty long enjoy the Fruits of these your Labours, for the Benefit of your Subjects, by reigning long in the Hearts and Affections of a free and happy People; and may all the Glories of your Reign be completed by a Conclusion of this just and necessary War, and the Establishment of an honourable and lasting Peace.

Given under our Common Seal at our Council Chamber in Oxford, this 4th Day of December, in the Thirty-third Year of your Majesty's Reign.

The following Address of the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty of the City of Winchester, has been presented to His Majesty by his Grace the Duke of Bolton, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Winchester.

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and most affectionate Subjects, the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of your ancient City of Winchester, most humbly beg Leave to express to your Majesty, the sincere Joy we feel in contemplating the unexampled and uninterrupted Success of your Majesty's Arms, in a necessary and indispensable War, undertaken, not to gratify Ambition, but to protect Commerce, and to maintain the Liberties of Europe, and of Mankind.

When we consider the various Victories with which your Majesty's Navies and Armies have been crowned, we adequately ascribe them to no other Cause (under God) than to the Vigour and Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils, and to the Intrepidity, Vigilance and Ability, with which those Councils have been carried into Execution; and have filled your Majesty's Reign with a Cluster of Events more numerous and more important than any recorded in the British Annals.

We think ourselves happy in having lived in that Age when our Country is arrived at the highest Pitch of Glory it ever yet has attained; when your Majesty's Name is become not only famous but formidable throughout the four Quarters of the World.

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