

St. John's, Newfoundland,
September 28, 1781.

ON the 3d the Surprize and Danae arrived from Halifax, having seen the Transports and Trade safe in there, and carried in with them Three American Privateers, viz. Venus, of Sixteen Guns and Eighty-three Men; Independence, of Sixteen Guns and Eighty-three Men; and Diana, of Ten Guns and Thirty-seven Men, which they captured on their Passage. The also retook the Lockhart Ross, a Ship from Quebec, which had been taken a few Days before by Two French Frigates.

On the 9th the *Æolus*, Portland, and *Vestal*, arrived from a Cruize. On the 2d they fell in with and took the Ship *Didain*, an American Privateer, of Sixteen Guns and Seventy-six Men, and retook the Ship *Martha*, Samuel Ripp, Master, from Montego Bay, with Rum and Sugar, which had been taken Two or Three Days before by the *Didain*. On the 16th they sailed, and Two Days after sent in a small Privateer Brig, called the *Captain*, of Six Guns and Thirty-two Men.

Besides the afore-mentioned, the *Montgomery* Privateer, of Fourteen Guns and 50 Men, was taken on the 5th of August by the *Maidstone*.

Dublin Castle, October 11.

THE Houses of Lords and Commons having resolved upon humble Addresses to His Majesty, the same, together with Addresses from both Houses to the Lord Lieutenant, were this Day presented to his Excellency, and, with his Excellency's Answers, are as follow:

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, most truly sensible how propitious your Majesty's Reign hath been to this Kingdom, and impressed with a due Sense of the many and great Blessings which we and all our Fellow-Subjects here enjoy, beg Leave to approach your Majesty, with our warmest and most grateful Acknowledgements, and with our most sincere Professions of Loyalty and Attachment to your Majesty's Sacred Person, Family, and Government.

We entreat your Majesty to accept our grateful Thanks for the Manifestation you have been graciously pleased to afford us of your Regard for, and Attention to this Kingdom, in sending over to us, as our Chief Governor, his Excellency the Earl of Carlisle, whose cultivated and sound Understanding, and whole Tents for Business, added to the Luitre of his Birth, afford us the most promising Expectation, that the Happiness and Prosperity of Ireland will be effectually promoted under his Administration.

The great Benefits which have lately been wisely and liberally communicated to this Country, are to happily felt in their Effects upon our Manufactures and Commerce, notwithstanding the Obstacles which a War, so extensive as the present, necessarily induces, that we flatter ourselves with still greater and more diffusive Advantages, whenever the Blessings of Peace shall be restored.

We cannot be sufficiently thankful for the gracious Assurances we have received of your Majesty's Royal Determination to continue your parental Attention to the increasing Prosperity of this Kingdom; and we are justly impressed with the important Truth, that the true Interests of Ireland

must ever be inseparable from Those of Great Britain.

We receive, with the utmost Pleasure, the Communication of the Birth of another Prince to your Majesty; as that Event, at the same Time that it adds to your Majesty's domestick Felicity, gives additional Strength to the Protestant Succession in your Royal Family.

The Encouragement of our Manufactures, and the Extension of our Export Trade, with the other great and national Objects recommended to us from the Throne, cannot fail of having our earnest Attention; and we shall endeavour, by our Counsels and Examples, to impress upon the Minds of the People that Reverence for the Laws, which is essential to the Peace and good Order of Society, and the Prosperity of every Country.

Your Majesty's Tenderness for your Subjects here is strongly manifested in your not directing that they should be called upon for any extraordinary Exertions, in this Time of general Hostility; and we cannot, in Return, do less than assure your Majesty, that you may rely upon our loyal and cordial Disposition to afford your Majesty every Assistance in our Power, if the unnatural and dangerous Combination of your Enemies should make it necessary to call upon us.

The late spirited Offers of Assistance, which have been presented to his Excellency our Chief Governor from every Part of the Kingdom, are most pleasing Proofs that your loyal Subjects here beheld, with a just Indignation, the hostile Combinations of your Enemies; and are so far from being dismayed by them, that they have but served to animate them with that Spirit, which, if they had been necessarily called upon, would not have disappointed the warmest Expectations that could have been formed, of the Exertions of a brave and loyal People.

Wm. Watts-Gayer, } Cler. Parliament.
Edw. Gayer, }

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant's Answer:

I WILL take the first Opportunity of transmitting this dutiful and loyal Address to be laid before His Majesty.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, in Parliament assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland, in Parliament assembled, approach your Majesty with unfeigned and heart-felt Expressions of Duty, Loyalty and Attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government.

We return our grateful Thanks to your Majesty, for having placed in the Government of this Kingdom a Nobleman, from whose cultivated Talents, experienced Abilities, and known Virtues, we have every Reason to expect that the Happiness of Ireland will be secured and increased.

The great and substantial Benefits which have been communicated to this Country, through the benign Influence of your Majesty's Love for your Subjects, and the Wisdom and Liberality of the British Parliament, are already felt in the Increase of our Manufactures, and the Extension of our Commerce; and we may reasonably expect farther Facilities to the Exertion of Industry, and a farther Diffusion of national Employment and Wealth, when the Blessings of Peace shall be restored to the World.

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