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*St. James's, November 22.*

**T**HE following humble Address of the Governors of the Charity for the Relief of the poor Widows and Children of Clergymen, hath been presented to His Majesty, by the most Reverend Father in God the Archbishop of Canterbury, President; accompanied by the Right Honourable Sir John Willes, Knight; Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, Vice President, several of the Bishops, the Treasurers, the Court of Assistants, and a great Number of other Gentlemen, Members of that Corporation, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Chamberlain of the Household: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously; and they all had the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, President; the Right Honourable Sir John Willes, Knt. Lord Chief Justice of His Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, Vice President; and the Governors of the Charity for the Relief of poor Widows and Children of Clergymen.

*May it please your Majesty,*

**W**E the President, Vice President, and Governors of the Charity for the Relief of poor Widows and Children of Clergymen, approach your Royal Person, to express our Share of that unfeigned Sorrow which this Nation in general has felt, in the Loss of his late most Excellent Majesty, of blessed Memory.

Permit us at the same Time, dread Sir, to testify our Gratitude to Almighty God, whose good Providence has comforted us in our Affliction, by continuing the Prospect of all those invaluable Blessings which we enjoyed under his just Administration, and by setting over a thankful and obedient People, the Heir of his Throne and his Virtues.

We reflect, with the most hearty Acknowledgment, upon the many Instances of Royal Bounty with which this Society has been graciously distinguished: We cherish the Memory of the Honor it once received by the Presence of your most illustrious Person; and we flatter ourselves that your Majesty will cheerfully accept this Tender of our Duty and Obedience, the loyal Congratulation of a Society, which, under God, has promoted the general Welfare, in a prudent Administration of that very considerable Article of Public Charity, the Relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy, the sorrowful Remains of a Set of Men, whose Instruction and Example, by the Blessing of Providence, have contributed in great measure to that Unanimity, which at present reigns in the Hearts of a faithful and obedient People: And whose Learning and Labours have vindicated and supported that Holy Faith, of which your Majesty's most Illustrious House has been the constant Protector and Defender.

For the common Blessings therefore which we enjoy as Subjects, and for the particular Instances of Royal Munificence to this Corporation, Permit us, most Gracious Sovereign, to return you our most solemn Assurances, that our Gratitude shall endeavour to equal our Obligations; expressed in a faithful and inviolable Attachment to your Majesty's most Sacred

Person and Government, in a cheerful and ready Contribution to all the Exigencies of the Public Measures, in promoting, by our Influence and Example, that Decency of Manners, and that Regard for Religion, which alone can make a Government easy, and a Nation happy; and lastly, in assisting, by all the most effectual Means in our Power, your Majesty's most gracious Intentions and Declarations for the Support of our Religious and Civil Establishment.

May that Power, by which King's reign, direct your Councils, and bless your Endeavours, secure to you the Affections of your People, and continue the Splendor of your Arms: May your Reign be glorious to Yourself, and happy to those you rule over; in Length of Time out-numbering the Days of the great Monarch that went before you; and by late Posterity, held up as a shining Example, to those whom Providence shall raise up in your Royal and Illustrious House to govern after you.

In Testimony whereof we have caused our Common Seal to be hereunto affixed, the Seventeenth Day of November, One thousand seven hundred and sixty, and in the First Year of your Majesty's Reign.

They afterwards waited on her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales, and his Grace the Lord Archbishop made their Compliments to her Royal Highness in a Speech; to which she was pleased to return a most gracious Answer; and they all had the Honour to kiss her Royal Highness's Hand.

The following Address of the Bishop, Archdeacon, and Clergy of the Diocese of Oxford, has 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 Bishop, Archdeacon, and Clergy of the Diocese of Oxford.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Bishop, Archdeacon, and Clergy of the Diocese of Oxford, in all Humility approach your Sacred Person, affected with the deepest Sense of Grief under the Loss of our late most excellent Sovereign; but, at the same Time, most sincerely thankful to Almighty God, by whose gracious Providence your Majesty succeeds to the Throne of these Kingdoms, we revere and adore the Hand of God, under all his Dispensations: But we accept with Joy, the Earnest He has given us of future Blessings, in the many Virtues and Graces He has infused into your Royal Breast. On these we congratulate our Country: On these we build our Hopes of long-increasing Happiness, and national Glory, under your Majesty's most auspicious Influence. Your Majesty may be assured, that we shall, each of us in our respective Stations, exert our utmost Endeavours to promote that due Sense of Religion and Virtue, which, by your Royal Proclamation, as well as by your own Illustrious Example, you have so earnestly recommended to us. Our Prayers are daily offered up to Almighty God for your Majesty. May the Choice of His Blessings ever descend on your Sacred Person, and may you long reign in Happiness over the Hearts of a most dutiful and grateful People.

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