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St. James's, March 26.

THIS Day the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, One Alderman, One of the Sheriffs, with Eight of the Committee of the Livery, of the City of London, waited on His Majesty, (being introduced by the Earl of Hertford, Lord Chamberlain of His Majesty's Household) with the following Address, Remonstrance and Petition, which was read by John Glynn, Esq; Recorder:

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address, Remonstrance, and Petition, of the Lord-Mayor, Aldermen, and Livery, of the City of London, in Common-Hall assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord-Mayor, Aldermen, and Livery, of the City of London, beg Leave to approach the Throne, with the Respect becoming a free People, zealously attached to the Laws and Constitution of their Country, and the Parliamentary Right of your Majesty to the Crown of these Realms.

We desire, with all Humility, in the Grief and Anguish of our Hearts, to submit to your Majesty, that the many Grievances and Injuries we have suffered from your Ministers still remain unredressed; nor has the Public Justice of the Kingdom received the least Satisfaction for the frequent atrocious Violations of the Laws, which have been committed in your Reign, by your Ministers, with a daring Contempt of every Principle Human and Divine. Your People have, with the deepest Concern, observed, that their former humble Petitions and Remonstrances were received with a Neglect and Disregard very hardly brooked by the high Spirits of a great and powerful Nation; but the Hopes of Redress still encouraging us to persevere, we again supplicate your Majesty to listen to the Voice of your aggrieved Subjects, in Vindication of your own and the Nation's Honour against your despotic and corrupt Ministers, who have perverted the Fountains of Public Justice, and undermined the Foundations of our excellent Constitution. Our Representatives, who were chosen to be the Guardians of our Rights, have invaded our most sacred Privileges. The Right of being represented in Parliament is the inherent, inalienable Privilege, as well as peculiar Glory, of the freeborn Inhabitants of this Country; and a Person qualified according to Law, a Magistrate of this City, was duly elected a Knight of the Shire for the County of Middlesex, by a great Majority of legal Votes, yet has been excluded from the House of Commons, by a Resolution of that House, and a Candidate, who had only a few Votes, declared the Representative of the Electors of the said County, against their Consent, through the like corrupt Influence of the same Minister. The Chief Magistrate, and one of the Aldermen of this City, were imprisoned for not

obeying the illegal Mandates of an arbitrary House of Commons, and violating the solemn Oaths they had taken for the Preservation of the Liberties and Franchises of the Capital of your Majesty's Dominions. We recall to your Majesty's Remembrance, with Horror, that unparalleled Act of Tyranny the Erasing a judicial Record, in order to stop the Course of Justice, to introduce a System of Power against Right, and to tear up by the Roots Truth and Law from the Earth.

We therefore, your Remonstrants, again supplicate your Majesty to employ the only Remedy now left by the Constitution, the Exercise of that salutary Power, with which you are entrusted by Law, the Dissolving of the present Parliament, and the Removal of those evil Counsellors, who advised the Measures so generally odious to the Nation; and your Majesty, as the true Guardian of our Rights, shall ever reign in the Hearts of a grateful People.

Signed by Order,

James Hodges.

To which Address, Remonstrance, and Petition, His Majesty returned the following Answer:

I Have the Satisfaction to think, that My People do not doubt of My Readiness to attend to their Complaints, or of My ardent Desire to promote their real Happiness; which I cannot more effectually do, than by resisting every Attempt to sow groundless Jealousies among them. Your Petition is so void of Foundation, and is, besides, conceived in such disrespectful Terms, that I am convinced you do not yourselves seriously imagine it can be complied with.

St. James's, March 27.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Thomas Brown, of Ovington in the County of Southampton, Esq; and to his Issue, His Royal Leave and Licence to take the Surname, and bear the Arms of Armstrong, the same being first duly exemplified according to the Laws of Arms in the Herald's Office.

Naples, February 16. Advices from Malta, of the 30th of January last, bring the Account of the Death of the late Grand Master there, Don Emanuel Pinto, on the 24th of the same Month, and of the Election of a new Grand Master, Don Francis Ximenes on the 28th.

St. James's, March 27, 1773.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That on Monday the 15th Instant, a threatening Letter, with the Post-Office Mark upon it, was received by Mr. James Liddell, of Newcastle upon Tyne, Merchant, of which the following is a Copy, viz.

Dam you James Liddle if you do not lay Haf a Dozen guneys on the Croft Wall next the Style we will blow up your house very soon you dog you, Wee expect