

To his Excellency Simon, Earl Harcourt, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.

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

*May it please your Excellency,*

**W**E, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled return your Excellency our most sincere Thanks for your Speech from the Throne to both Houses of Parliament.

We esteem ourselves particularly happy in the Satisfaction which your Excellency has been pleased to express at the Meeting us in Parliament, and doubt not of your concurring with us in every Measure that may promote the real Interest of this Kingdom, and we beg Leave to assure your Excellency, that the Satisfaction is sincerely mutual on our Part.

Your Excellency's great Abilities, which have received the highest Marks of Approbation from the many important Trusts which in Successive Reigns and various Administrations have been reposed in you, give us the most lively Hopes of every Benefit which can result from a steady, prudent, and benign Administration.

The Assurances which your Excellency has given us of the Continuance of His Majesty's paternal Regard for his faithful Subjects of Ireland, fills us with the warmest Sentiments of Duty and Gratitude; and we cannot too much acknowledge the gracious Manifestation of His Majesty's Goodness towards us, in committing the Government of this Kingdom to a Nobleman whose Name has stood unsullied through the many high Offices he has filled.

We are most thankful to your Excellency for the joyful Information you have been pleased to give us of the Increase of the domestic Happiness of our amiable Sovereign, and the Stability added to His illustrious House by the Birth of another Prince, descended from him with whom the Welfare of these Kingdoms is so necessarily connected.

Your Excellency's wise and seasonable Advice in directing our Attention towards such Laws as respect the Religion and Morals, the Security and good Order, of the People, cannot fail to animate our Endeavours to do every Thing on our Part to procure so desirable an End, and to take into Consideration what new Laws may be necessary as well for that Purpose, as also for the Extending and Improving our Linen Manufacture, that great Source of Wealth to this Nation.

The favourable Sentiments that your Excellency is pleased to conceive of us, give us the most sincere Pleasure, and we can have no Doubt, that the Proofs we shall afford of our Loyalty and Attachment to the King; and of our Zeal for the Publick Service, will be faithfully and impartially represented by your Excellency to His Majesty, so as to preserve to us his favourable Opinion and Royal Protection. And we flatter ourselves, that there will be that Unanimity in all our Deliberations, as will be the distinguishing Mark of this Session, and of Your Excellency's Administration.

*W. Watts Gayer, } Cler' Parliamentor'  
Edw. Gayer, }*

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant's Answer.

My Lords,

**I** Return you my sincere Thanks for this very kind and obliging Address.

*I feel myself very happy in possessing your good Opi-*

*tion, which it shall be my constant Study to preserve. You may be assured that I will most faithfully represent to His Majesty your Loyalty and Attachment; and I flatter myself that I shall have frequent Occasions of doing you that Justice, in a Manner honourable to you, and most pleasing to myself.*

To his Excellency Simon Earl Harcourt, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.

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

*May it please your Excellency,*

**W**E His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland in Parliament assembled, do with the greatest Cheerfulness attend your Excellency, to return our sincere Thanks for your most excellent Speech to both Houses of Parliament.

We are happy in receiving from your Excellency the Assurance of the Continuance of His Majesty's paternal Regards for his dutiful and affectionate Subjects of this Kingdom, of which we esteem it a particular Instance, that he has appointed for our Chief Governor a Nobleman of approved Experience, Wisdom and Abilities, and to whose great Virtues and distinguished Character we justly look up with the fullest Confidence and the highest Respect.

His Majesty's Conduct, in making the Publick Good the constant Rule of His Actions, will be our surest Guide in the Discharge of our Duty, which we shall effectually accomplish, by shewing the same uniform Attention to the Good of our Country, that His Majesty has invariably exerted in promoting the general Happiness of all His People; and we are fully convinced, that your Excellency will steadily and uniformly pursue that illustrious Example of Attention to the Publick Good, which you have so powerfully recommended to our Imitation.

We shall carefully consider the Publick Accounts, and will cheerfully grant the Supplies necessary to support His Majesty's Government with Honour, as far as the State and Circumstances of our Country will permit, and in the Manner that will be most easy to our Fellow-Subjects of this Kingdom, who are deeply interested in the Support of that mild and just Government necessary for carrying into Execution those Laws upon which the Preservation and Security of Liberty and Property, and the Maintenance of the Peace and good Order of the Publick must entirely depend: And we confide in your Excellency's Wisdom and Justice, that those Supplies will be faithfully applied, and frugally administered.

We thankfully acknowledge your Excellency's Goodness, in pointing out the Laws of our Country as the first and most important Objects of our Consideration, and in directing our Attention to such as concern the Religion and Morals, the Security and good Order of the People.

There cannot be a more convincing Proof of your Excellency's Regard for the Welfare of this Kingdom, than your recommending so particularly to our Consideration, that principal Source of our Wealth the Linen Manufacture, the Extension of which, and the Support whereof at Foreign Markets, are Objects of the highest Importance to this Nation, and at this Time call in a peculiar Manner for your Excellency's Patronage and Protection; and your Ex-

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