

People, and by his many personal and exemplary Virtues.

Reflecting on these and other Circumstances which do Honor to so exalted a Character, we are astonished that even one Man should have exulted capable of such a daring, such a base and traitorous Attempt.

Yet we cannot persuade ourselves that this was the atrocious Act of a single Traitor. Some have ventured to call it accidental. It appears to us to have been a preconcerted and deliberate Act of a villainous Confederacy.

The Time chosen, when your Majesty was passing to your Parliament in the Midst of unsuspecting and loyal Multitudes, afforded a proper Opportunity for Concealment; the unmerited Insults of an infatuated Rabbler, all uniting in the same savage Outcries of Disaffection and Disloyalty, continued and repeated with the unabated Rage of Malice and Disappointment to the very Doors of your Majesty's Palace; these are Circumstances strongly marking the Direction of Aiders and Abettors of a premeditated Plan: Not to mention the unexpected Confusion which a Deed of so much Horror, had it taken Place, must have produced in the Midst of the just and necessary War in which we are engaged.

We are extremely concerned to remark that political Jealousies, which have no Foundation but in the Misrepresentations of a few, should, in any of your Majesty's Subjects, have prevailed over the better and stronger Principles of Religion and Humanity.

We trust, however, that out of this detestable Enormity much Good may arise. The Minds of all your Majesty's best Subjects, by far the Majority of the Nation, will, in Abhorrence of such Violence, be more firmly united in the Defence of your Person and Government. Your faithful Parliament, to whom the Security of the whole Community is intrusted, who are the most considerable and the best-informed Part of your People, will meet the seditious Spirit of the Times with the proper Restraint of a Salary Law, effectually checking in future all unwarrantable and arbitrary Attempts to destroy our excellent Constitution, and to rob us of those invaluable Liberties which this Country, above all others, has so long and so happily enjoyed under that Protection.

Under all these Considerations it is our bounden Duty, with the Rest of our Fellow Subjects, if this Nation is worthy of so great a Blessing, earnestly and devoutly to pray that the same good Providence of God, which has so wonderfully preserved our much-loved Sovereign in the Hour of imminent Danger, will, through a long and prosperous Reign over us, continue to be his Defender and Keeper, and give him Victory over all his Enemies.

[Presented by his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury.]

S I R E !

LES Descendants des François Protestants, autrefois Refugiés dans vos Royaumes, fidèles à cette Loyauté inaltérable pour votre auguste Maison qu'ils tientnent de leurs Pères, s'empressent, conjointement avec tous vos Sujets, de mettre au Pié de votre Trône ce Témoignage public de leur respectueux Dévouement. Ils n'ont pu être Témoins qu'avec Horreur des Excès atroces, auquel des Monstres ont osé se porter contre la Personne sacrée de votre Majesté, et ils en ont ressenti la plus amère Douleur! Grâces immortelles soient rendues au Maître suprême des

Empires, et de ceux qui en sont les Chefs, d'avoir garanti de leur paricide rage un Roi chéri de ses Peuples, à tant de Tirs, et dont la Conservation est inéparable de la Prospérité nationale. Ils feront près en tout Tems, Sire, à concourir dans toute l'Etendue de leurs Moyens, avec vos fidèles Sujets, à la Défense de votre Personne sacrée, et de celle de votre Gouvernement paternel! Ils abhorent ces Opinions, encore plus infinément qu'impies, qu'à la Honte d'un Siècle éclairé, on s'est plu à propager de nos Jours, avec une Sorte de Fanatisme, et qui ne tendent à rien moins qu'à ébranler, avec les Droits des Souverains et la legitimate Soumission des Peuples, l'Empire même de la Religion et des Moeurs. Ils repoussent, avec Effroi, de si perfides Systèmes, et ils les envisagent comme le Fruit de la plus profonde Dépravation. C'est l'Avenir qu'ils se croient appellés à faire aujourd'hui en votre Présence auguste, Sire, des Sentiments qui les animent. Puisse cette Providence adorable, qui veille sur les Bons, et confond les Conseils des Méchants, continuer de courir du Bouclier de sa Protection la Personne de votre Majesté et votre illustre Maison, pour faire dans toute la Suite des Siècles la Gloire et le Bonheur des Générations à venir. Ce font les Vœux et les Prières qu'offrent sans Cesse à l'Arbitre suprême de la Destinée des Rois et des Nations, les Eglises François Protestantes Refugiées.

Signé, par Ordre des Eglises François Protestantes Refugiées.

Samuel Mauzy, Modérateur.

Charles de Guiffardière, } Secrétaires.
A. Girardot,

[Presented by the Rev. Messrs. Mauzy, Guiffardière, Gibert, Prevost, Lijcure, and Chirol.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Inhabitants of the Borough of Newark upon Trent in the County of Nottingham, beg Leave, with the most unfeigned Regard and Affection, to shew our extreme Detestation and Abhorrence of the atrocious Attempt that has been made against your Majesty's most sacred Person, at a Time when your Majesty was about to exercise one of the Functions of our most invaluable Constitution.

We lament exceedingly that there should be in your Majesty's Dominions a Set of People so depraved and infatuated by the Diffusion of such disorderly Principles; but when we reflect what are the Sentiments of a few Men in the most elevated Situation, our Wonder in some Degree ceases that the Weak and Profligate should be so misguided by the mischievous Influence of Example.

Impressed with the most lively Satisfaction and heartfelt Joy for your Majesty's Escape from so outrageous an Attempt, we do most cordially congratulate your Majesty upon so great an Evil being averted; an Evil pregnant with the most dangerous Consequences to the State, and to the future Happiness and Welfare of all your loving Subjects.

We feel our Minds much consoled by the wise Measures that have been adopted by both Houses of Parliament, which we most sincerely hope will be conducive of future Security to your Majesty, and will promote that Felicity, which your Majesty has so just a Claim to, from your unremitting Attention to whatever concerns the true Interest and Happiness of