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Whitehall, July 3, 1798.

DISPATCHES, of which the following are Copies, have been received from His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland by His Grace the Duke of Portland, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department.

My Lord, Kilkenny, June 26, 1798.

FEARING the Consequences that must result from allowing the Rebels who fled from Wexford to remain any Length of Time in this County, I preferred attacking them with a small Number of Men to waiting till a Reinforcement arrived. My Force amounted to 1100 Men. The Rebels consisted of about 5000. I attacked them this Morning at six o'Clock in their Position at Kilconnel Hill, near Gore's Bridge, and soon defeated them. Their Chief, called Murphy, a Priest, and upwards of 1000 Men, were killed. Ten Pieces of Cannon and Two Swivels, the Colours, and Quantities of Ammunition, Arms, Cattle, &c. were taken; and I have the Pleasure to add that some Soldiers, who were made Prisoners the Day before, and who were doomed to suffer Death, were fortunately released by our Troops. Our Loss consisted of seven Men killed and wounded. The Remainder of the Rebels were pursued into the County of Wexford, where they dispersed in different Directions.

I feel particularly obliged to Major Matthews, of the Downshire Militia, who, at a short Notice and with great Alacrity, marched with 400 Men of his Regiment, and Captain Poole's and Captain Gore's Yeomanry Corps from Maryboro', to co-operate with me, Lord Loftus, and Colonel Ram of the Wexford Militia, Lieutenant-Colonel Howard, and Lieutenant-Colonel Radcliffe; of the Wicklow. Major Donaldson, of the Ninth Dragoons, who commanded the Cavalry, as well as all the Officers and Privates, are entitled to my Thanks for their spirited Exertions. Nor can I withhold the Praises so justly due to all the Yeomanry Corps employed on this Occasion.

I also beg Leave to mention my Aid-de-Camp, Captain Ogle, and Lieutenant Higgins, of the Ninth Dragoons, who has acted as my Brigade Major.

I have the Honour to be, &c. &c.

C. ASGILL, Maj. Gen.

*Lord Viscount Castlereagh,
&c. &c. &c.*

Message from the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to both Houses of Parliament, 27th June, 1798.

CORNWALLIS.

I AM commanded by His Majesty to acquaint the House of Lords*, That several of His Majesty's Regiments of English Militia have voluntarily offered their Services to be employed in Aid of his Regular and Militia Forces in this Kingdom during the present unhappy Rebellion, for the Purpose of assisting in the Suppression thereof; and that His Majesty having been graciously pleased to recommend it to His Parliament of Great Britain to enable him to accept this spirited Offer, an Act for that Purpose has passed accordingly.

In consequence thereof I am further commanded by His Majesty to recommend it to you to take into immediate Consideration, the Measures which may be necessary in order that this Kingdom may avail itself in the fullest Manner of this striking and seasonable Proof of ardent Zeal and Attachment towards His Majesty's Person and Government, and of affectionate Concern for the Interests and Safety of His Majesty's faithful and loyal Subjects in Ireland.

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* A similar Message was sent to the House of Commons.

Address of the House of Lords in Ireland to His Majesty.

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, beg Leave to approach your Majesty with our unfeigned Thanks for the gracious Message which has this Day been communicated to this House in your Majesty's Name.

We have seen with the most lively Sensibility the voluntary and generous Offer of various Regiments of English Militia to co-operate with your Majesty's Forces in this Kingdom for the Suppression of the present unhappy Rebellion.

Such a decisive Proof that the People of Great Britain consider the Constitution and Welfare of this Kingdom as inseparably connected with their own, and that both Nations must stand and fall together, excites in us every Sentiment of affectionate Attach-