

pende safely (under God) on your Majesties Felicity. Wherefore, that God would give your Majesty in this world, Riches, Honour, and a long and prosperous Reign over us, and in the next a Crown of Glory, is the daily Prayers of

Great SIR,  
Your Sacred Majesties most Loyal,  
Dutiful, and Faithful Subjects.

Signed by several thousands.

The Presentation of the Grand-Jury for the County of Somerset, at the Assizes held at the City of Bath the 9th day of August 1681.

When we seriously consider (as we have sufficient Reason never to forget) the Miseries and Calamities we lay under in the late unhappy Wars; and how much both our Religion and Civil Government suffered under an Arbitrary and Tyrannical Power, and how we were then reduced from a most flourishing and plentiful Kingdom (at that time the envy of the whole World) to the greatest extremity of Slavery on Earth; when we had no Government either in Church or State, but the lowest and basest of the People exercised both; your King barbarously Murdred our Religion (that was then one and indivisible) torn into his many Sects and Divisions as can hardly be named, our Lives, Liberties and Estates at the mercy of an Arbitrary Sword, our Laws perverted and made to speak what that Sword commanded; and when we consider how it pleased the infinite Goodness of God to look down a Miracle upon us, and to deliver us by His Majesties happy Regeneration, a Blessing at that time that even the very Agents of our Constitutions stood amazed at; and having at this time, more than of many years that the same hands of violence, or the Spirit by which they acted, are again contriving the same designs to work our Ruine, by attempting to cut off the Life of our most Gracious Sovereign, and to stir up new Jealousies and Fears by their old design of debelling the Government; we look upon our selves, especially at this time, obliged out of our Zeal for our Religion, our Loyalty to our Sovereign, for the preservation of our Laws and Liberties, and for the Security of the common Peace both to our selves and our Posterities, and therefore to discharge our Consciences both toward God, our King, and our Country, to make this following Resentment.

First, we Present, That we believe the Religion of the Church of England, as now by Law Established both in Doctrine and Discipline, is the ancient Christian and true Protestant Religion.

Secondly, we Present, That Popery, Presbiterie, Independency, Anabaptisme, Quakerisme, and all other Sects and Phanaticks, are profest Enemies to the true Protestant and ancient Christian Religion, and therefore not to be encouraged amongst us, or countenanced in any part of His Majesties Dominions.

Thirdly, we Present, That the Conventicles and separate Meetings of the several Sects and Dissenters from the Church of England are Places, Popish Priests and Jesuits do shelter themselves in, and that it is impossible to extirpate Popery, or to free the Kingdom from Popish Priests and Jesuits, so long as Conventicles are countenanced and the Laws against Popery not vigorously put in execution; for there is scarce a Conventicle but there will be a Jesuit.

Fourthly, we Present, That it is the undoubted Right of the Free-born Subjects of this Kingdom, not to be diseised of their Freehold or Legal Possessions, nor to be Imprisoned in their Persons by any Power whatsoever, contrary to Magna Charta and the good Laws of the Kingdom.

Fifthly, we Present, That we have all taken, or are ready to take the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, wherein we have sworn and are ready to swear Faith and true Allegiance to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, which said Oaths we declare in our Consciences to be just and lawful; and that neither the Pope, nor any other person or persons, severally or jointly, by what Names or Titles soever they be called, can absolve us of these Oaths; and whoever shall affirm that they can, dispence with these Oaths, or shall by any Act impose upon our Consciences to absolve us from them, and by this means endeavour to draw the People into Rebellion, those Persons are Popishly inclined, and their Principles Antichristian.

Sixthly, we Present our humble Duty and Thanks to His Royal Majesty for his several times Declaring his Zeal for the Protestant Religion, as by Law Established in the Church of England, but more especially for his late Declaring and affirming us of his continued Zeal for our Religion, and that he hath undertook to be the Defender, not only of our Faith, but also of our Persons, Lives and Liberties, and that as he hath been graciously pleased to assure his Subjects the Laws of the Land shall be his Rule to Govern us by, so he will take that care of us that none others will exercise any illegal or Arbitrary power over us: And we are ready without Lives and Fortunes to serve His Majesty upon all Occasions

May it please your most sacred Majesty,

WE your Majesties truly Loyal and Obedient Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Burgeses of your Majesties Borough of *Kilby-Kendall* in the County of *Westmorland*, do in all humility (as in duty bound) desire to present our most grateful, but in itself Sense of Your Majesties late most Gracious Declaration; in which, as we cannot but admire Your Majesties extraordinary Condescension in communicating to all, even the meanest of Your Subjects, the great reason of Your Acts; so are we infinitely obliged by those renewed Assurances of Your Majesties constant Adherence to the wise and wholesome Laws already established for our common welfare both in Church and State; and are heartily glad to see the same so kindly received, and so thankfully resented in so many Loyal and Dutiful Addressees, with which we do most sincerely and cheerfully joy; Heartily Declaring, that we who have experienced Your Majesties great Clemency and Benignity towards the most froward of Your Subjects (those mistaken Men, who will not understand how perfectly their particular Good is involved in the publick; who by your Majesties Fatherly Tenderness and Pity, are made happy even against their Wills.) We that have felt the blessed Fruits of Your Majesties most profound Wisdom, Care and Conduct in a secure Peace; while our Neighbors abroad do yet groan under the dismal mischiefs of War and Devastations. We that daily find the great benefit of our established Laws in the true Liberty of our Consciences, to worship our God according to the Offices of the best Church in the world; and in the comfortable enjoyment of all the effects of our Civil employments and personal Industry, should account our selves unworthy of those Lives and Fortunes which by these means we enjoy, if we did not faithfully employ them in the Service of Your Majesty, Your Lawful Heirs and Successors; should we not with our utmost Powers endavour that Your Person be as truly Honoured as it is Great; and Your Government as easy to Your Self, as it is beneficial to us.

This Declaration of our hearty Sense, as we humbly impreat Your Majesty to accept, so we faithfully promise that all our future actions shall make good, and by manifesting the sincerity, shall somewhat recompence the slowness of it. In which Resolutions we subscribe our selves, having caused our Common Seal to be hereunto affixed, this 6th day of August, in the thirty third year of Your Majesties Reign, which God long continue. Thus Pray

Your Majesties Loyal and Obedient Subjects,

Oxon, Aug. 30. To-morrow is appointed for the Execution of Mr. *Stephen Colledge*, who according to the Sentence pass upon him, will be Drawn, Hanged, and Quartered.

Whitehal, Aug. 31. This Morning the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of London, were to pay their Duty to His Majesty, upon His Majesties return to Town from Windsor.

### Advertisements,

To-morrow being the second of September, appointed by Authority to be strictly and solemnly kept, the Penny Post does not convey any Letters; but that all such Letters as are left at their Receiving-Houses, shall be call'd for on Saturday Morning, and then delivered as directed.

Taken the 16th of August last by two Highway-men near *Chobham* in the County of *Surrey*, a black grisse Mare, with a white Face, her hind Legs white, shorn heels behind, with one fore heel, about 14 hands high, nine years old; has all her Paces; she had on a new Grimston Velvet Saddle, stich'd with Silver Twist: they took also a Silver pocket Clock, one Motion; the Name *Jacobus Martini Londini*, the outer Case studded with ver Studs; also a cross hilted Sword being Silver gilt. Whoever shall secure either the Mare or Clock shall have three Guineas reward; and for the Sword one Guinea, giving notice to Mr. *Benjamin Bull* at the Printing-house in *Corwall*.

Ran & was taken away from his Master's House on Thursday last, the 25th of August, he is in a Greenish-brown-colour cloth Coat, Leather-Drawers, a Green Hat, a Green Apron; about 17 years of age, but shorn of his age; if any one can give advice of him to Mr. *Grumbridge* in *Southwark*, or to Mr. *William* at the street Boy at the end of *Long lane* next to Mr. *B. Smith's*, they shall be very well rewarded for their pains.

Stolen the 25th of August last, out of the stable of *John Bell* at *Paragon* in the County of *Re*, a Light Grey Gelding about 14 hands high, a thoroughbred, a bold and two snips in his right Ear, a little Ki on his forehead; about eight years old; has a silver Saddle with a silver Twist. Whoever can give notice of this Gelding unto Mr. *Richard Foster* at the *Beaumont* in *Long lane*, shall have two Guineas reward.