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Ratisbonne, March 10.

Monsieur *Verjus*, the French Minister, has presented a Memorial to the States of the Empire Assembled here, in which he tells them, That the King his Master desired nothing more than to continue in Peace and Friendship with the Empire; That in order thereunto he Comanded his Ambassadors upon their first arrival at *Francfort*, to Declare, That his Majesty upon the departure of his said Ambassadors for those Conferences, had given Orders to the Sovereign Chambers of *Brisac* and *Metz*, not to proceed any farther in the matter of Dependencies. That his Majesty to manifest his desires of Peace, was willing to quit all the pretensions which he had, by virtue of the Treaties of *Westphalia* and *Nimeguen*, upon any Lands or Places in the Empire, upon condition, he was left in the quiet enjoyment of what he was possessed of at the time of the departure of his said Ambassadors, the City of *Strasbourg* being comprehended therein. And Lastly, That his Majesty was willing to demolish *Fribourg*, and to restore it to the Emperor, upon condition, the Emperor did likewise demolish *Philipsburg*, and restore it to the Bishop of *Spire*. This Memorial was read in the Dyet the 5th Instant, but being a matter of great moment, the several Deputies desired time to communicate the same to the Princes their Masters, and to receive their Instructions thereupon. And without all doubt, this Memorial will occasion very serious Debates in the Dyet.

Strasbourg, March 13. The Batallion of *Enguyen* marched from hence on Monday last for *Metz*; and that of *Navarre* is to follow, in order to their joining the Troops which the French are drawing together on the *Moselle*; what their design is, we cannot Learn.

Hamburg, March 13. There is a great contest between the Duke of *Saxe Lawenburg*, and the City of *Lubeck*, concerning a small Fort which the first was about Building near that City; and which the Magistrates of *Lubeck* sent a party of Soldiers to demolish, and they have chosen the Duke of *Lunenburg Zell*, to be the Mediator for the composing this dispute. It is said that a Defensive Alliance is concluded between the King of *Sweden*, and the Dukes of *Lunenburg*.

Brussels, March 24. On Wednesday last 206 Irish Recruits Landed at *Ostend*; and the same day we received the bad news that the Vessels that were bound thither with between three and 400 Italians, were cast away in the Channel. Monsieur *Agurio* is made Maître de Camp General; and the Duke of *Holslein*, and the Marquis de *Bedmar* are in competition for his Command of General of the Artillery. We have an Account of the Marquis de *Grana's* arrival in *England*, so that we are now eve-

ry hour expecting him on this side. In the mean time all publick Affairs are here very much at a stand.

Hague, March 24. The States of *Holland* have had long and serious Consultations concerning the present Affairs: on Saturday last, after having been several hours together, the Deputies of some of the nearest Towns went home to consult their Principals, and returned this Morning, when the Debate of those Matters was again resumed; In the mean time the disposition here seems to be to forbear making any steps that may bring on a new War, and to endeavour an amicable composition of the differences between the two Crowns. From *Francfort* they write, that all the Preliminary Points were adjusted, so that it was expected the Conferences would now very quickly be opened.

Hague, March 27. The States-General have, as we are informed, answered to the Memorial of the Spanish Envoye, *Don Balbasar de Fuen Mayor*, that they will give his Catholick Majesty the assistance of 8000 Men; but that they think, pursuant to the Treaty between His Majesty and this State, endeavours ought first to be used amicably to determine by Conferences the Matters in difference; That they will do what in them lies to induce the most Christian King to Grant, during the said Conferences, a liberty of supplying the City of *Luxemburg* with Provisions and other Necessaries; and that in case the said King shall refuse to enter in such Conferences, or that they shall be unsuccessful, the States Declare, they will without delay, give the King of *Spain* the said assistance of 8000 Men

And to the Memorial of the French Ambassador, the States have answered, That they desire nothing more sincerely then to Preserve the Peace of *Europe*; and that it will be a great trouble to them to see it again disturbed; That they will use their utmost Endeavours to persuade the King of *Spain* to enter into Conferences, in order to an amicable composition of the differences between the two Crowns. But seeing the repose of Christendom cannot be obtained as long as there remain on foot differences between the Emperor and some Princes of the Empire, and his most Christian Majesty; they desire the Conferences may be general; and Declare, they will employ their utmost Endeavours jointly with the King of *England*, for the composing the said differences. And Lastly, they pray the said most Christian King, to Grant during the said Conferences, a liberty of transporting Provisions, and other necessaries to *Luxemburg*.

Paris, March 25. The King has writ a Letter to the Marschal de *Cyequi*, wherein he Declares, That having received Advice from *Constantinople*, that the Grand Signior was preparing to enter in Person at the head of a great Army into *Hungary*; he had taken thereupon a Resolution to remove the Blockade of *Luxemburg*, that he might not divert the

the Forces of the Empire, but leave them entirely at liberty, to act against the Common Enemy of Christendom; and accordingly Commands him to withdraw his Troops from before *Luxemburg*, and to leave that Town free to Trade, and to be supplied with Provisions and all Necessaries. And we are farther told, that His Majesty has Declared that He will refer the Differences between Him and the King of Spain, to the Arbitrage of his Majesty of Great Britain.

Newmarket, March 16 The following Address being sent up to the Right Honourable the Earl of *Aylesbury*, Lord-Lieutenant of the County, with a Request to present it to His Majesty; his Lordship accordingly this day waited upon His Majesty with it.

This day likewise several Justices of the Peace, and Gentlemen of the Grand Jury for the County of *Huntingdon*, presented an humble Address to His Majesty, being introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of *Ailsbury*, Lord-Lieutenant of the County.

Newmarket, March 17 This day an humble Address from the County of *Essex* was presented to His Majesty, by several Gentlemen of that County, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of *Albemarle*.

Several other Addresses, viz. from the County of *Bedford*, from the Town of *Cambridge*, from *Lyn-Regis*, from *Eye*, and from *New-Woodstock*, have been likewise presented to His Majesty.

They were all very Graciously received by His Majesty, who was well pleased to see the Countreys thus zealous to express their Loyalty and dutiful Affection to His Majesties Person, and the established Government.

To the Kings Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Grand Jury at the Assizes holden at *Alisbury* for the County of *Huntingdon*, the sixth day of March, in the 3rd Year of Your Majesty's

Most Gracious Sovereignty.

THIS our most humble and most dutiful Address from the Body of your County (which we in this our Station represent) seems in our Eyes too late, to deserve your best Acceptance: when opportunity was wanting to us, we beheld with joy them before us in bounden Duty at your Feet; the Honour due to them we shall but abate through Envy; but joy in their Hearts, and thank to your Service. In humble Testimony whereof, we desire to express to Your Majesty that infinite Satisfaction we received from Your Majesties late Declaration, and whither it is not possible, any Man of Honesty or Loyalty can rest unsatisfied. Your Majesties Happy Restauration gave us Re-possession of all those things you were graciously pleased to promise them; when we were lost and undone (by such a perfidious sort of Men as are yet striving) and you have kept them to us so inviolably, as if your Word were (as it is) Sacred: And may he perish from off the Earth, that believes not such a Prince as you are, who have so graciously pleased to affix this Declaration, as the Label or Index of your Life past, and fresh assurance of our Happiness for the time to come. Your Majesties Resolutions to suppress Papery, to have frequent use of Parliaments, to govern by the known Laws, and not to suffer an Arbitrary Power in any, are things so great and endearing, no people can express their due sense of. In the Reverence and due execution of Your Laws, doth your safety and ours consist; and since by Your Royal Command, a plain and full Evidence, given in Court, is now known to the World; of an Association (intended by some outwearing it) if it were possible, all the Antichristian Practises of *Rome* (we declare our Detestation of it. A Seed of *Rome*, and *Geneya* (begotten by the Jesuits creeping into Conventicles) have done this; Dissep-

ters they may be, Protestants they are not, but in Cloak and Masquerade. The mistakes that Foreign Princes may make hereupon, to the damage of true and Loyal Protestants, is dreadful; but Your Majesty is as the Angel of God, to discern between this Handful of Misanthropic Wretches, and the Body of your true Protestant Subjects. We are old Protestants, of Loyal Stamp, and as such, will to the utmost of our Lives and Fortunes stand by Your Majesty, and Your Lawful Successors, as both Natural, Divine, and Civil Sanction hath made it our Duty, against all Popish Conspiracies, or other horridly attempts of any other Parties whatsoever, against your Person or Government. God continue long Your Majesties Life and Reign, and give you that Comfort you so highly deserve, in the Obedience, Union, Aides, and Affections of your People, and Crown you at last with an Eternal Reward in Heaven.

At the Assizes, and general Goal-delivery, holden for Your Majesties County of *Huntingdon*, the Eleventh day of *March* in the Four and thirtieth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King *Charles the Second*, of *England, Scotland, France and Ireland*, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. Anno Dom. 1681.

Dread Sovereign,

WE the Grand Jury sworn to enquire for Your Majesty, and the Body of this County of *Huntingdon*, having the Honour to serve Your Majesty, and our County in this publick Employment, do think it our Duty at this time, for our Selves and the County, whom we represent, in all humble manner, to give Your Majesty our renewed Thanks, for the many repeated Instances of Your Majesties most Wise and Gracious Government, in preserving us from all Arbitrary and Tyrannical Usurpations, both in Church and State; and more particularly for the timely Discovery of that pernicious and Treacherous Association, produced at the late proceedings against the Earl of *Shaftesbury* at the Old-Baileys. And we do hereby Declare our utter Abhorrence of the same, as being such, which under the old and specious pretence of defending Your Majesties Person, was without doubt, designed by the wicked Courtiers thereof, to destroy Your Majesty, and subvert that glorious and unparalleled Government, both in Church and State, which by Your Majesties great Wisdom and Clemency, we, and all Your Subjects do now enjoy. And we do most humbly assure Your Majesty that (as in Duty and Allegiance bound) we shall ever be ready to sacrifice our Lives and Fortunes in the Defence and Preservation of Your Majesties Royal Person, Your Heirs and Lawful Successors, and the Government, as now established in Church and State, against all such rebellious and Tyrannical Associates, and other Disturbers of Your Majesties Peace and Government.

We Your Majesties Justices of the Peace for Your County of *Huntingdon* having perused this humble Address, and Abhorrence of our Grand Inquest at this present Assizes, do most unanimously and heartily concur in every particular thereof; and do humbly beseech Your Majesty to accept the same, with all possible Assurances of Duty and Allegiance from

Your Majesties most Dutiful

And Obedient Subjects,

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Grand Inquest for the County of *Essex*, at the Assizes holden at *Chelmsford*, the 6th Day of *March*, 1682.

WE Your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Grand Jury for the said County, do most humbly and thankfully

Thankfully Acknowledg'd, That since Your Majesty's happy Reformation, we have enjoy'd Your Majesties Protection (and most just and careful Administration of the Laws) all the Blessings and Security, both in our Religion, Persons, and Estates, that the most happy Subjects could desire, or the most Gracious Prince could grant. Notwithstanding which great Justice and Moderation of Your Majesty, it is manifest that many wicked Men, who formerly reaped the benefit of Your Majesties general Pardon (both for their forfeited Lives and Estates) have most industriously made it their Business, maliciously and sally to Insinuate into Your Majesties good Subjects, that there were Designs in those Persons, whose Council and Advice Your Majesty was pleas'd to make use of, to introduce Popery and Arbitrary Government; And when by those Arts they had rais'd great Jealousies in many of Your Majesties Subjects, then under pretence of Extending Your Majesties Lawful Successors from the Crown, and securing their Religion and Property, they did frame and contrive among themselves, a Project for an Association, a Copy (if not the Original) whereof was found in the Closet of the Earl of Shaftsbury, as appears by the Proceedings at the Old Baily against the said Earl of Shaftsbury, Printed by Your Majesties special Command; which we have read with great Horror and Detestation, the same being a Villinous and Traiterous Design, under specious Colours, to Ruine and Destroy Your Majesties Sacred Person and Government, by giving our Fellow Subjects encouragements to raise Arms without Your Majesties Command, and to employ them as they should direct (contrary to the known Laws of the Land) and for the Destruction of Your Majesties Obedient and Loyal Subjects, that should not joy with them. We therefore, most Gracious Sovereign, thought it at this time a most necessary and incumbent Duty upon us, to assure Your Majesty, that as we do from our Souls, detest and abominate that wicked Conspiracy and intended Rebellion, so we will with our Lives and Fortunes, to the utmost Extremity, oppose all Persons who shall endeavour to put in Execution, that, or any other Association, in prejudice of Your Majesties Prerogative, Peace, and Government, or to Raise, or Arm Forces, without Your Majesties Personal, or Express Command, upon any pretence whatsoever. And this we most humbly Beg of Your Majesty to believe, is the true, real, and steady Resolutions of Your most Dutiful Subjects, who shall always Pray for Your Majesties most long and happy Reign over us.

To which we humbly desire the Concurrence of this Honourable Request,

We the Justices of the Peace for the said County, do unanimously Concur with the Grand Inquest, in this humble Address.

The humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant, Deputy Lieutenant, Justices of the Peace, and Grand Jury for the said County, at the Assizes held at the Castle of Cambridge for the said County, the 24th of March, Anno Regis Caroli Secundi xxxiv.

Dread Sovereign,

The dismal effects of Leagues and Associations, promoted without, or against the Authority of Your Majesties Royal Father, or ever blessed Memory, should have unmoveably fix'd the English Loyalty, and made the thoughts of the like Attempts always Dreadful and Abominable.

But as if the successles of past Times, were lawful precedents for future Villanies, a Paper found in the Earl of Shaftsbury's Closet, and read last November at the Old Baily, discovered the frame of as wicked, but more bold Association, than the former; which though it seems grounded upon the danger of Popery, and guided with the specious Titles of being Loyal, Pious, Just, and Righteous; Designs nothing less than the subversion of Your Majesties Government, the true Reformed Religion, our Laws, Liberties, and Properties. And though none of Your Royal Ancestors have Govern'd more Graciously, and according to Law (if they will excuse the non-Executing the Severities thereof) the malicious suggestions of Encroachments of Arbitrary Power, the pretended Care of Privileges of Parliament, the investing a Sovereign absolute Power in the two Houses, or major part of the Members subscribing that Association, though the Parliament be Ironogued, or Dissolved, the engaging obedience to Officers of their Appointment, and sally, the Promises to Officers of Destruction, all who upon any Title whatever, should oppose that wicked Society, are sufficient Proofs to convince us of a Design to strip Your Sacred Person of Your Kingsly Dignity, and to put a Period to this Hereditary Monarchy, by Inherent Birthright, and

Lawful and Undoubted Succession, descended upon, and invest'd in Your Majesties Royal Person and Family, and to destroy all that dare be Loyal, and oppose such wretched and Traiterous Designs. We do not presume to prescribe Means for the Preservation of Your Majesties Person and Government, which we most heartily pray may ever continue in the Care of Divine Providence: But we cannot without grief of Heart, consider the Practices of some restless ill-minded Persons, who pretending Religion, forget the Principles and Duty thereof, which this Reformed Church by Law Establish'd always maintained, hatching in opposition to Popery and Faction, the Primitive and Christian Doctrine of Loyalty and Obedience to Your Majesties Royal Authority; though we think our selves bound by Your Majesties Laws; as well as our Religion, not only to avoid entering into, but to hate and abhor, and to declare our Hatred and Abhorrence of the forementioned Traiterous Association. Most solemnly promising with our Lives and Fortunes, to Aime and Defend Your Majesties Sacred Person, Crown and Dignity, in the Lawful and Lawlike Defence against all Confederacies, Bonds, and Associations, whatever Design, or Imposed without Your Royal Assent and Authority.

The following Declaration of the Grand Jury for the County-Palatine of Durham, has been Presented to His Majesty.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The Anti-Association.

From the General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, held at Durham by Adjournment the 24th of February, 1681.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majesties most Obedient, and Loyal Subjects, the Grand Jury sworn for the County Palatine of Durham, do with all Humble and Dutiful Affections, acknowledge that the security of our Lives, Liberties, and Properties, which we present we enjoy, and are bless'd with ere, under God, the sole Effects of Your Majesties most Gracious and wise Government, who timely foresaw, and seasonably prevented those execrable Miseries, where the late Scheme of Rebellion would otherwise have probably involv'd us in to your Sacred Majesty, we owe our Exemption from the Oppression, which even some of our fellow-Subjects ambitiously, and most illegally would have exercised upon us. That the Factious contrivances of Seditious Petitions, Tumults, pack'd Juries, disaffected Common Councils, and the diabolical Model of a Rebelious Association, have not receiv'd their design'd Event, to the utter extirpation of our Laws, and subversion of this antient Monarchy; we must attribute wholly to your Majesties constant and steady Resolution to Govern your Subjects according to the Laws; the true and impartial execution whereof, may prove the choicest expedient to settle the differences amongst your Majesties Subjects, who have been seduced from their Allegiance by false Insinuations, which ill Men had made use of for ensnaring the most simple multitude with all possible Abhorrence and Dislike, we do Detest and Abominate that Impious and Hellish Design of the late accus'd Association, and the damnable Principles of the Contrivers of, and consenters to it: In good assurance that your Majesty will never hereafter believe, much less rely upon the specious pretences, or promises of any Person concern'd in that black Conspiracy. And that we may not only verbally express our Loyalty, we do as in Duty and Allegiance bound give this assurance, That our Lives and Fortunes shall be ready, and that we will contribute Money to put in our most Abilities, whenever your Majesties occasions shall require, for the preservation of your Majesties Sacred Person, and Government, your Excellent Religion, as it is now established by Law.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

A Declaration Sign'd by the Lord-Lieutenant, the High Sheriff, the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and the Grand-Jury, at the General Goal-delivery for the County of Rutland, held at Okeham the 10th of March, 1681. in the 34th Year of Your Majesties Reign, and the first Assizes of the Midland Circuit.

Most Dread Sovereign,

WE Your Majesties most obedient and faithful Subjects, not hereunto induced by Precedents of this nature sent to Your Majesty from several Parts of your Kingdom, but out of a deep sense of our Allegiance, and the powerful Obligations of Conscience, do in all Humility lay this Application at the Feet of Your Sacred Person, desiring hereby to express, and publickly to declare, That we do from the bottom of our hearts detest and abhor that most wicked and Traiterous Association, not long since luckily and timely found seized on, and prevented in its Progress: A Conspiracy, by all truly Loyal Subjects, seriously to be abominated, especially such Subjects as we, who live under the Influences of the Government of a most Gracious, most Merciful, and the best of Kings. A Conspiracy, disguised and vizarded with fair Pretensions of contriving matters for defence of Your Majesty; but, in the explicated design and drift thereof, directly tending to the Subversion of Your Regal Power, if not to the Destruction of Your Royal Person also. And we do hereby further declare, That We do detest and Abhor all Associations whatsoever, not made and Warranted unto Your Majesties Approbation and Concurrence; and that we will cheerfully sacrifice our Lives and Estates for the just preservation of Your Majesty, the Rights of the Crown in the Legal Descent, and the Religion by Law Established. And while it shall be the Good Will and Pleasure of the Almighty to continue Your Majesties Reign over us, which He Grant may be long and happy, we shall (as in Duty bound) heartily and constantly Pray, That no Prosperity may attend those Weapons which are Forged against You; and that every Hand, which in any Rebellious Action shall be held up against your Majesty, may be withered for ever.

We the Grand Inquest for the County of Southampton, at the Assizes held at the Castle of Winton, the 8th day of March, 1681. have most cheerfully and unanimously, according to our Duty, Declared this our Detestation and Abhorrence of the detestable Association, lately designed, and which we humbly recommend to the Honourable Bench, for their Concurrence therein.

Most Gracious and Dread Sovereign,

WE Your Majesties most Loyal and Obedient Subjects, being deeply sensible of our great Obligations to Your Sacred Majesty, under whose Authority and Gracious Government we are Blest with the happy Enjoyment of our Religion, Property, and all that is dear unto us; having received full Assurances from Your Majesties frequent Declarations of Your Royal Protection therein; cannot but express our most Humble Thanks for so transcendent a Favour, by Declaring our Detestation and Abhorrence of the Ingratitude, Treachery, and Villany of those ill Men, who have used all crafty Practices and Endeavours, to debauch the

Minds of unstable Men into Rebellion and Civil War and particularly by that project of Association found among the Papers of the Earl of Shaftesbury, and produced at the Old-Bailey; being an Act, not only of the most execrable Ingratitude, but of the foulest Treason also against Your Majesties Crown and Dignity; and tending to Subversion of the established Government, both of Church and State. All which, as in Conscience, and by the Bonds of our Allegiance we are bound to Defend, So we humbly desire to assure Your Sacred Majesty; that our Lives and Fortunes shall on all occasions be ready at Your Majesties Service, for the asserting the Prerogatives of Your Imperial Crown, and the Lineal and Lawful Succession thereof, and the Church of England, as by Law established, against all Faction and Rebellious Practices; whether Popish or Phanatical whatsoever.

This being proposed to the Bench for their Concurrence, they unanimously consented hereto.

Plymouth, March 17. Yesterday Morning His Majesties Ship the Tiger Prize, Capt. Aylmore Commander, with the Merchants Ships under her Convooy, set Sail with a fair wind for the Streights.

Portsmouth, March 19. On Friday the Ruby Frigate, Capt. Allen Commander, came into this Harbor to re-fit. The Phoenix continues still at Spithead.

Advertisements.

☞ The Learned Mr. Matthew Pool, having Completed his First Volume of English Synopses, of Annotations on the Holy Bible, and gone so forward as to make Proposals of his own for that Purpose, and likewise obtained His Majesties Gracious Letter of License, he being since deceased, and the Work now fallen into other hands, who design it for the Advantage of the Publick. The Undertakers do offer these Proposals in order to the Printing of it. 1. That this first Volume reacheth to the end of *Ishab*. 2. That it will consist of about 300 Shets. 3. The Price 10 in Hand, and 15 at the Delivery of a Book. 4. They that subscribe for 6, to have a 7th gratis. 5. This Volume to be Finished by *Midsummer*. 6. There are Persons of approved Learning and Integrity, that will take up the Work where Mr. Pool hath left, and finish the whole Bible in 2 Volumes. 7. Therefore all who are willing to Promote so great and useful a Work, would send in their Subscriptions by *February* next; to the Undertakers, *Thomas Purkiss*, at the Bible and three Crowns in *Chapside*, *Dorset* *Newman*, *Thomas Cokeril*, and *Benjamin Alsop*, in the *Partry*, who will give Receipts for the same and give out the Proposals more at large, and Specimen.

☞ There is in the Press, ready to be Published, the Catalogue of the much celebrated Library of *Richard Smith* Gent. late of *London*, Deceased; being a Collection of very choice and excellent Books of Divinity, Philology, Physick, but more especially History, both Ancient and Modern, Foreign and Domestick: also of Epistles and Lives of all sorts of Persons famous for Learning, Nobility, Arms, &c. With several rare and curious Manuscripts. The said Library will be Exposed to Sale by way of Auction, in *Great St. Bartholomews-Cluse*, *London*, on Monday the 15th of *May* next: By *Richard Cuswell*, Bookseller, at whose Shop, at the *Rose and Crown*, in *St. Pauls Church-yard*, the Catalogues will be delivered gratis.

☞ Toleh or Strayed, on Friday night last, from Mr. Ludgill, at *Stagg-stone*, in *Shoreditch* Parish, a brown bay Mare, about 15 hands high, a cut Tail, Trotseafe, hangs her Fars a little, nine years old. Whoever can procure her shall have their reasonable Charges born, and forty shillings Reward.

☞ Lost from his Profession, of *Milend*, the 17th Instant, a little Bay Nag, 13 hands high, a Star in his Forehead, Pages well, four years old, black Man and Tail. Whoever gives Notice of him to John Preston at *St. Pauls*, or to Mr. Thomas Cokeril, at the *Byring-pan*, in *Thames-street*, shall have 20 s Reward.