

and other Places. It is said that the Princess of Orange will come hither for some Days, and that an Opera is preparing for her Highness's entertainment.

Hague, May 12. Yesterday His Highness the Prince of Orange parted from hence for Breda, and this Morning her Highness: The Prince will have an Interview at a small place between Breda and Antwerp, with the Marquiss de Grana, Governor of the Spanish Netherlands, and the Princess will, it's said, see Brussels, Ghent, and Antwerp, before she returns hither. From Copenhagen, we have advice, that four of the Vessels belonging to Lubeck, which had been stopp'd by order of the King of Denmark, were again discharged, and had pursued their respective Voyages, and that it was hoped the rest would likewise be released.

Paris, May 13. Some days since arriv'd here a Deputy from the Chapter of Strasburg; He comes to know the Kings Pleasure concerning the Election of a new Bishop for that See. We are told, That Commissions have been lately given out for the raising of 220 Troops of Horse, to consist of 30 Men each. The Kings Guards du Corps are Marched towards Flanders, and the Gen'd'arms and Light Horse have Orders to March the 25th of this Month: Our King's Ambassadors at Francfort have, in their Reply to the Answer of the Imperial Ambassadors, and the Deputies of the Empire, declared, That they must abide by their Propositions of the fifth of January, as containing his Majesties positive and ultimate Resolutions. The Pope having written a Brief in Answer to the Letter of the Deputies of the Clergy to him, the same was on Saturday last read in their Assembly. By this Brief, he lets them know, how much displeas'd he is with their late Proceedings, and Declares all they have already done, or shall hereafter do, to be Null and Void: thus the Breach between this Court and that of Rome grows every day wider, and the consequences, without doubt, will be great.

Windfor, May 5. The following Addresses have been presented to His Majesty, who received them very Graciously.

To the Kings Most Excellent Majesty.

WE Your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Furivs, and Common Council, of the Kings Town and Parish of Maidstone, having with great Astonishment and Consternation of Mind, perused an accursed Paper, seized in the Earl of Shaftsbury's Closet, and Published by Your Majesties Order, do think our selves, as true Englishmen, (that is, as good Subjects) in Duty bound, and obliged to Declare to Your Majesty, and the whole World; our Abhorrence and utter Detestation of that most Traiterous and Villanous Writing, bearing the Name and Title of an Association; but being indeed deemed by every one, of us a most horrid and damnable Contrivance to destroy Your Sacred Majesty, Your Royal Family and Government, and to pursue to utter destruction all Your Majesties Liege People, who should do their Duty in opposing the Bloody Designs, purposed and set forth in that Auadicious and Arch-traiterous Conspiracy: And we are the rather moved to this our publick Testimony against it, because we have observed, that since this impious Contrivance hath been discovered to the World,

not one Man (to our knowledge) of the several Parties, who are the known Enemies to the now Established Government, hath either in familiar Discourses, or in Written or Printed Papers, shewed the least disaffection or dislike of it; but on the contrary, have malign'd and reviled all Good Men, who have (as we do) heartily Abhorred and Detested that abominable, and for ever to be abhorred Association. And now, Great S L R, that our Expressions may not be Verbal only, we do in full Confidence and Trust in Your Majesties great Wisdom, and from the certain and long Experience we have had of Your unparalleled Goodness, lay down at Your Majesties Royal Feet, the Charter of our Corporation, most humbly beseeching Your Majesty to grant us such a Charter, as to Your Princely Wisdom shall seem most meet. God Almighty defend Your Sacred Person, preserve and propagate Your Royal Family, that over us and ours, You and Your Lawful Successors may Reign, till all derived Dominion shall return to the Original Power, (God Himself) by whom Kings Reign. At the Court of Burghmote, of the said Kings Town and Parish of Maidstone, and unanimously appointed to be as it is, Sealed with the Town Seal, the 7th of April, in the 3rd Year of the King.

To the Kings most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Grand Jury for the Town and County of Southampton, at the Sessions of the Peace held at the Guild-hall of the said Town and County, the 24th day of April, 1682. who humbly recommend the same to the Right Worshipful the Mayor and Justices of the Peace on the Bench, for their Concurrence therein.

Dread Sovereign;

WE Your Majesties faithful and Loyal Subjects, the Grand Jury of the Town and County of Southampton, being deeply sensible of the destructive designs of many ill Men, against the Tranquility of Your Government, the Unity of the Church, and Peace of all Your Good Subjects, both by amusing the People with Fears and Jealousies of Popery and Arbitrary Government, and animating them to Tumults and Sedition, by the Specious Pretences of standing up for their Rights and Liberties, and maintaining the Protestant Religion; to which they have super-added the Appellation of TRUE, as though the Church of England were not so. All which Artifices of Turbulent Men, appearing to us to be the Seeds of Rebellion, sown in 1641, now springing up, and Growing by the same Method of Leaguings and Associating without Your Majesties Authority or Permission, of Defaming Your Person and Council, and rendering even Your necessary Guards odious to the People, because they secure Your Sacred Person from their Violence and Traiterous Attempts. We do therefore declare our just Abhorrence and Detestation of all such Villanous Practices and Combinations, and particularly of that Treasonable Paper of ASSOCIATION, produced at the Proceedings against the Earl of Shaftsbury in the Old-Baily, and all the Contents and Bnds thereof, as a Copy of the same Conspiracy which those entered into who raised the last Rebellion, Murdered Your Royal Father of Blessed Memory, and brought on us all those dismal Calamities we suffered in those worst of times. The Memory of which, obligeth us to return our humble Thanks to Almighty God, and to Your Sacred Majesty, both for our happy Deliverance from them, and also for the timely discovery and prevention of this equally pernicious design; assuring Your Majesty, That in Prosecuting the Authors thereof, and in all other Services that may contribute to the Security of Your Royal Person and Prerogative, Continuance of the Rightful Lineal Succession, and Maintenance of the Established Church of England, we shall always be ready, with our Lives and Fortunes, to testify our Loyalty and Obedience. And here we beg leave to Congratulate the happy Return of his Royal Highness to Your Majesty, doubting not but he will become as happy an Instrument in setting our disturbances in England, as by the Testimony of several Re-
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