

fit down in Peace. Which God in Mercy continue amongst us, and guide, bless, and preserve Your Sacred Person, from the Violent hands of all Barbarous Regicides whatsoever, and give You a long, happy, and prosperous Reign, and grant that we may not want one of Your Sacred Line to Reign over us till this World shall be no more: In Defence whereof the Royal lawful Succession, and your Government in Church and State, as now established by Law, We are and shall be always ready to expose our Dearest Blood, and utmost Fortunes.

In Testimony whereof we have hereunto set our Hands, and affixed the Common Seal of our Incorporation, the 28th. day of July, in the xxxv. Year of your Majesties Reign, Annoq; 1683.

Dread Sovereign,

WE the Mayor, Recorder, Magistrates, Free-men and Inhabitants of the Borough of East-Looe, being deeply sensible of the Hellish and Damnable Design, contrived by Fanatical Dissenters, to murder Your Sacred Person, and Dearest Brother the Duke of York, to subvert our Church and Religion, and utterly destroy the best of Governments, having offered up to Almighty God our sincere thanks for his Gracious Prevention of us wicked a Conspiracy, most dutifully present our selves and Souls to Your Majesty, with an utter Detestation and Abhorrence of all such Principles and Persons, which under the mask of Religion, designed nothing but Murder and Rebellion, and under the plausible Pretences of Liberty and Property, aimed at nothing less than their total Subversion. And we most humbly implore Your Majesty, that since by the Discovery of this Horrid Treason, it plainly appears that Persons of Impious Fanatical Principles, are not to be endeared by the mildest Government of Kings, that Your Majesty would be pleased to provide for Your Safety by an exemplary Punishment of the Guilty Offenders, and a Prosecution of those Laws which Your Princely Wisdom has thought fit to enact against their dissenting Brethren, that so we and the rest of Your Subjects that have found the happiness of a most Gracious Prince since Your Blessed Restauration, may never feel again the intolerable Plague of Democratical Tyranny, but enjoy a constant Peace and quiet under Your Majesties Government (which God long continue) and the Blessing of an uninterrupted Succession of Your Royal Family for ever governing these Three Kingdoms.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE the Mayor, Chief Steward, Magistrates, Free-men, and others Inhabitants of Your Majesties Borough of West-Looe in the County of Cornwall, having heard with great amazement, of a most Horrid Conspiracy contrived and carried on for the killing Your Sacred Majesty and Royal Brother, and designed for the utter Extirpation of Your Government by Impious Schismatical Dissenters, implacable Enemies to the Crown and Church, accustomed to Rebellions, and Religiously trained up to the Murder of Kings, did immediately prostrate our selves before Almighty God, with our Thanks and Praises to him for Your wonderful and happy Deliverance, the Safety of the Church, and the Preservation of Your best and Loyallest Subjects. And we do humbly now present our selves to Your Majesty, from a just sense of our Allegiance with the most sincere Assurances of defending Your Royal Person, Your Heirs and lawful Successors, and the present established Government, with as firm and fixed Resolutions, as the indispenable necessity of so high a duty can oblige, or gratitude justly command for the continued happiness of so good a Prince, most humbly beseeching Your Majesty, that since Providence hath been so gracious as to discover those Treasonable and Villainous Designs, that Your Majesty would be pleased to bring the Complotters to their deserved Punishments, that they whom Your Merc could never oblige, may find at last Your Justice can overtake, that so the remainder of Your years (which God make many and Glorious) may safely pass over in that greatness and Peace which the due Administration of Your Government and Clemency always hath deserved.

This shall be the constant Prayers of us, Your most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects.

May it please your Majesty,

WE Your Majesties most humble and obedient Subjects, the Inhabitants of your Borough of Mynehead in the County of Somerset, though perhaps the least considerable, yet having the happiness to be the Subjects of so Gracious a Monarch, with hearts full of Loyalty, and hopes of your Majesties Gracious acceptance; We humbly crave leave to follow that numerous train of Loyal hearts that have gone before us, with the signification of our hearty thanks to Al-

mighty God for the miraculous Deliverance of your Majesties Sacred Person, and your Dearest Brother, James Duke of York, from the Damnable Plots and Conspiracies of a Fanatical Brood hatched in Hell, and nurs'd by a second Achitophel, but defeated by the Great God of Heavens, to whom we continually pray to preserve your Majesty and your Dearest Brother, and that there may never want a Branch of your Royal Family to derive the Succession in the right Line to all succeeding Generations: And as we heartily pray for the Life of your Majesty and His Royal Highness, so we are, and shall be always ready and willing to the last drop of our Blood, and to the utmost of our small Estates (that the Ruines of our Trade with Ireland hath left us) to defend your Majesty and your Dearest Brother from all Associations, Bloody Plots and Contrivances whatsoever. And as it hath been in former Parliaments, so we entreat it shall please your Majesty to call a Parliament, it shall be our utmost endeavour to send such Representatives as are of undoubted Loyalty to your Majesty and Lawful Successors.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, High Steward, Recorder, Aldermen, and Burgeses of the Borough of Evesham in the County of Worcesters

WE your Majesties most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, having with Astonishment heard of a most Treasonable, Bloody, and Damnable Conspiracy, against the Lives of your Majesty and most Dear Brother, contrived and carried on by Men of Factious, Antichristical and Diabolical Principles, for the involving these Nations in Blood and Confusion, the Extirpation of Monarchy, and utter Subversion of this Ancient and well established Government; Do with Hearts full of Joy, cheerfully Congratulate the happy Deliverance of Your Sacred Person, and Royal Brother, from those Bloody and Impious Contrivances.

And as we have in Testimony of our Loyalty, laid our Charter at Your Majesties Feet, with our utter Detestation and Abhorrence of all Treasonable and Disloyal Associations and Confederacies, So we do now repeat such our Abhorrence, and do, and ever shall most solemnly Devote our selves, our Lives, and Fortunes, to the Defence of your Majesties Sacred Person, Your Heirs, and lawful successors, and the Government established both in Church and State, against his and all other Treasonable Conspiracies and Practices whatsoever.

And we humbly implore Almighty God, That as His Providence hath signally appeared in your Majesties Preservation through the whole course of your Life past, So that the same may still support You, to adora the Throne of Your Ancestors, with a long Life and happy Reign.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty,

WE Your Majesties most Obedient and Loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Bayliff, Aldermen, and Capital Burgeses of the Town of Cardiff in the County of Glamorgan, being full of unspeakable Surprise at so monstrous a birth of a Fanatical and Rebellious Association, which would have terminated in the Assassinating of your Royal Self, and Dearest Brother, James, Duke of York, and the fatal Miseries which would necessarily have followed: Humbly beseech your Majesty, to accept of this our unfeigned Testimony of our real Rejoycing for Your Deliverances, hoping that such visible repeated Acts of wonderful Providence, will so convince the World of God's fighting for You, that no Treason shall be hereafter contrived because of his Omniscency, nor attempted out of dread of that Power, which is apparently exerted in Your Preservation. And that Cursing of Kings in Bed-Chambers, and privately speaking Evil of them and their Governments, shall not fear only the detection of the Birds of the Air, but the discovery of those winged Spirits of Heaven, who are appointed by the Governor of the World to guard your Sacred Majesty, being as an Angel of God. And that this execrable deep laid Plot, though dug as low as Hell, may be so discovered, and its Serpentine Jaws and Teeth so ground, by Your continued acts of Justice, that there may not be the least Particle of them left, which may be capable of raising a new stock of Armed Rebels. To the effecting of which, we do with truest Zeal from the most inmost parts of our hearts assure your Sacred Majesty, that we shall be diligent and faithful in searching for and discovering all Men, Words, and Actions, which have any way contributed, or do or shall endeavor to continue or palliate so great and monstrous a Villany, and orderly, zealously, and unanimously Pray, That God may never be so far provoked by our unthank-