

may work for Your self a more exceeding and eternal Weight of Glory. In Testimony whereof we have caused our Common Seal to be hereunto affixed, this Six and twentieth Day of April, in the Sixth Year of Your Majesty's most glorious Reign, Annoq; Dom. 1707.

The following Address from the East-Riding of the County of York was presented to Her Majesty by William Strickland Esq; Introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, Lord Privy-Seal, and Lord-Lieutenant of the East-Riding of the County of York.

May it please Your Most Excellent Majesty,

WE the Justices of the Peace, Deputy-Lieutenants, and Gentlemen, met at our General Quarter-Sessions holden at Beverley, for the East-Riding of the County of York, desire Leave to lay hold of this Opportunity to assure Your Majesty, That none of Your Loyal Subjects can rejoice more than we do at the Great Victories obtained by the Council and Valour of Your Arms Abroad, or of a much Greater Victory obtained by the Indefatigable and most Wonderful Management of the Union of the Kingdoms of England and Scotland, which hath been for many Ages endeavour'd in vain: But, to the Eternal Glory of Your Majesty's most Auspicious Reign, now accomplished; to the great Joy and Satisfaction of all People, who have any regard either to the Protestant Religion, or Succession of the Crown, as by Law established.

Our Hand now is become so united both in Government and Interest, that all True Protestants must rejoice as it: And there can be no Mourners left in this our Happy Isle, but the Friends of Popery; and they that would have introduced the Pretended Prince of Wales, to the utter Destruction both of Church and State. Scotland, that formerly hath been a Back-door, by which England hath received great Damage, is now become a strong Bulwark of Defence: And we have nothing left to hope or wish for, but a Long Continuance of Your Majesty's Life, who hath so gloriously defended us and all Christendom (against the Furious Insults of the French King, who for so many Years hath been the Disturber of our Peace and Quiet), and united us at Home in such a manner, as must render us safe to all Posterity.

The following Address from the Town of Kingston upon Hull was presented to Her Majesty by Sir William St. Quintin Bar. one of their Representatives in Parliament: Introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, Lord Privy-Seal, and Governor of the said Town and Fort of Hull.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Sheriff, and Burgeses, of the Town of Kingston upon Hull.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE did presume to Address Your Sacred Majesty upon the Glorious Successes of Your Victorious Arms, under the Conduct of Your Great and Valiant General. We then had in Just Admiration Your Majesty's Great Wisdom and Goodness, and Reason to think our selves a most Happy People under such Surprising Events as have continually attended Your most Glorious Reign.

But when we reflect upon the Union, brought by Your Majesty to a Happy Conclusion, we are at a Loss how to express our selves; it being a Work in vain attempted by former Ages; and would have our had the same Fate, had not You, Madam, been ordained by Heaven for the Accomplishment thereof: And no Ministry, but One inspir'd by the Example of Your Majesty's Pious and Indefatigable Care for the Good of Your People, in all their Religions and Civil Rights, could have effected it.

All that is near and dear to us is now secur'd from Oppression and Tyranny: The Rays of Peace and Concord shine upon Great-Britain; and every Good Subject is full of Zeal and Vigour to improve the Consequences of this Great Blessing. And may the Great God of Union long protect Your Precious Life, that You may with Satisfaction see the Happy Effects of the Wonders you have done for the Good of Mankind.

The Prayers, is the Unfeign'd Prayer of us Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects and Servants. In Testimony whereof we have hereto set our Common Seal, this 24th Day of April, in the Sixth Year of Your Majesty's Happy Reign.

The following Address from the County of Nottingham was presented to Her Majesty by the Hon. James Sanderson Esq; Introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, Lord Privy-Seal, and Lord-Lieutenant of the said County.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, and other Gentlemen and Freeholders, assembled at the General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace held at Nottingham, for the County of Nottingham, and other Places, by Adjournment, in and for the said County, Easter Sessions, 1707.

May it please Your Most Excellent Majesty,

WE, Your Majesty's most Dutiful and most Obedient Subjects, do presume to approach Your Majesty with Hearts truly sensible of the Innumerable Blessings we enjoy under Your Majesty's most Auspicious Reign. Such is Your Majesty's Wisdom in the Administration of Your Great Affairs, that every True Subject has a new Cause of Congratulation. 'Twas for Victories obtained Abroad by Your Majesty's Arms and Your Allies, that we have had the Honour to attend Your Majesty so often: 'Tis now for the Great Successes obtained at Home; a Conquest over

these Difficulties which none of Your Royal Predecessors could (had so often attempted) ever accomplish, as the Uniting Your Two Kingdoms of England and Scotland. This seems to have been a Work reserved to Your Majesty by Divine Providence, to add a new Lustre to Your Reign; (so productive of Wonders) as a Reward of Your Transcendent Merit and Clemency; by which You have not only defeated the Hopes of the Enemies of Your Majesty and our Holy Religion, but have laid a lasting Foundation for the Security of the Crown in the Protestant Line, and the Preservation of our Religion, Laws, and Liberties.

May we, and all Your Subjects, acknowledge our Gratitude to Your Sacred Majesty, by a Constant Zeal for Your Majesty's Service, and by endeavouring to follow that Admirable Example, which we have so often received from the Throne, of Love, Charity, and Moderation, one towards another; that, as Nations, so Hearts may be united, and all join together to implore the Almighty for Your Majesty's Long and Prosperous Reign over us.

The following Address from the County of Bedford was presented to Her Majesty by Sir William Gifford Bart. one of the Knights of the Shire: Introduced by his Grace the Duke of Bedford, Lord-Lieutenant of the said County.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, Grand Jury, and other the Gentlemen assembled at the Quarter-Sessions for the County of Bedford.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, do in all Humility Congratulate the Great and Wonderful Successes, as well of Your Majesty's Councils as Arms; among which, nothing can more contribute to make us Happy at Home and Powerful Abroad, than the Union of Your Two Kingdoms: A Work so Glorious to Your Majesty, and Beneficial to Your Subjects of both United Nations, that it seems to be reserved by Providence to be accomplished in Your Unparalleled Reign, after the many Unsuccessful Attempts of Your Royal Predecessors; as does also that of Restoring the Exorbitant Power of France, and Reconciling the Just Balance of Europe; in which Your Majesty has made such a Progress, that we have Reason to hope that Great End will be attained in a short Time. May Your Majesty's Great and Pious Designs for the Good of Mankind continually succeed; that as You will for Ever entirely reign in the Hearts of all Your Good Subjects, so You may always be acknowledged the Patroness of the Christian World.

The following Address from the County of Southampton was presented to Her Majesty by his Grace the Duke of Bolton, Lord-Lieutenant of the said County.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord-Lieutenant, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and High Sheriff, of the County of Southampton, at the General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace holden at the Castle of Winton the 22d Day of April, 1707.

WE, Your Majesty's most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, the Lord-Lieutenant, Deputy-Lieutenants, Justices of the Peace, and High Sheriff, assembled at this present General Quarter Sessions of the Peace for this County of Southampton, do most humbly adore the Divine Goodness in referring to Your Majesty's Happy and Glorious Reign, only by restoring the Balance of Europe, by abating the Exorbitant Power of France, and delivering us from the Great Oppressor; but that also, in Your Majesty's Reign, Your Wise Ministers, Prudent Councils and Councils, that which Henry the Seventh, the Wife of our Kings, foretold in his Time, when by chuse rather to marry his Daughter into Scotland than into France, is now perfected and completed in the Union of the Two Kingdoms.

We humbly hope also Heaven hath reserved to Your Majesty's Reign the Union of the Hearts and Minds of Your own Subjects, and that no unreasonable Hopes and Fears may continue any longer amongst us, and Your Majesty may long enjoy the Blessed Fruits of a Lasting Peace both at Home and Abroad.

The following Address from the Corporation of Saffron-Walden was presented to Her Majesty by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Binton, Deputy to his Grace the Duke of Norfolk, Earl-Marshal of England.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Deputy-Recorder, and Aldermen, of Your Majesty's Corporation of Saffron-Walden in the County of Essex.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

THE many Felicities we enjoy under Your Majesty's most Auspicious Reign, are so very great and surprising, that we want even Words to express our due Sense of them.

No sooner had we Address'd Your Sacred Majesty upon Your Unparalleled Victories obtain'd over Your Enemies, but Faith and Pleading Occasions offer themselves to us to Congratulate Your Majesty for overcoming a Work of a more difficult Nature: the Uniting of Your Two Kingdoms of England and Scotland: A Work so great for Your Royal Predecessors to accomplish, and reserved by Divine Providence for the Genuine Honour of Your Reign.

The Happy Consequences of which Union, we are sensible will be the Securing the Succession, as by Law established, to future Ages, and the Strengthening and Enriching of Your People.