

the Defence of your rightful and lawful Title to the Imperial Crown of these Realms, of the Succession in the Protestant Line, of the Union of the two Kingdoms, and the Government as by Law establish'd, both in Church and State; against all your Enemies both at home and abroad, and particularly against that vain Pretender, who hath lately attempted by a *French* Power to invade your Majesty's Dominions, and to introduce Popery and Tyranny, in the room of your Majesty's most just, mild, and gracious Government. It is with the greatest Joy and Satisfaction that we review your Majesty's Zeal and Conduct, which hath so soon, as we have reason to hope, disappointed and confounded this bold Attempt, and it is with the greatest Sincerity that we detest it. We also beg leave to add, that we cannot enough abhor those Principles of Slavery, which if pursu'd, had long ago establish'd Arbitrary Power amongst us, excluded your Majesty, and fix'd this very Pretender upon the Throne. We also take this Opportunity of publicly acknowledging our Obligations to the late glorious Revolution, to which we owe entirely the invaluable Happiness of your Majesty's Administration, and the Prospect of future Freedom from the insupportable Evils of Popery and Tyranny.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty.

*The humble Address of the Ministers of the Presbytery of Drumfries, met at Drumfries the 22d Day of March, 1708; presented to her Majesty by his Grace the Duke of Queensberry.*

May it please Your Majesty.

**WE** your Majesty's most humble, most loyal, and most obedient Subjects, being deeply sensible of the many and great Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's wise, mild, and auspicious Reign, and particularly of the repeated Assurances we have had of your Royal Favour and Protection, given to this Church, for maintaining the Doctrine, Worship, Discipline, and Government thereof, as now by Law Establish'd; the desirable Effects whereof we have felt, to our great Satisfaction, ever since your Majesty's happy Accession to the Crown, which with all Thankfulness we acknowledge to God and your Majesty; and now being threaten'd with an Invasion from *France*, to set up a Popish Pretender on the Throne of these Kingdoms, in Opposition to your Majesty's just and undoubted Right, and for the utter Overthrow of our Holy Religion and Civil Liberties, and of all that's dear to us, as Men and Christians, do therefore humbly beg leave to assure your Majesty of our unshaken Allegiance and Fidelity, and of our firm Purpose to adhere to your Majesty against the said Pretender, and all your Majesty's other Enemies at Home and Abroad; and that we shall use all Methods proper for us, to influence these under our Charge, to continue stedfast in their Duty to God and your Majesty.

We shall always offer up our most fervent Prayers to Almighty God, That he may protect your Majesty's Person, direct your Councils, give Success to your Arms by Sea and Land, defeat the present, and all other Attempts against your Majesty's Throne and Dominions; and after the Crown of these Realms has flourish'd long on your Head in Earth, to the Comfort of this and all other Reformed Churches, and the Defence of the just Liberties of *Europe*, that your Majesty may enjoy a Crown of Righteousness and Glory in Heaven to all Eternity. Sign'd in the Name, in the Presence, and at the Appointment of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most humble, most loyal, and most obedient Subjects and Servants, the Ministers of the said Presbytery; by, &c.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty.

*The humble Address of the Ministers of the Presbytery of Lochmaben, met at Lochmaben, the 17th Day of March, 1708; presented to Her Majesty by his Grace the Duke of Queensberry.*

May it please your Majesty.

**WE** your Majesty's most dutiful, most humble, and most loyal Subjects, the Ministers of the Presbytery of *Lochmaben*, in the Stewartry of *Annandale*, and Sherifdom of *Drumfries*, being deeply sensible of your Royal Favour to the Church of *Scotland*, in the constant maintaining of the Doctrine, Worship, Discipline and

Government thereof, as now by Law establish'd; which, with all Thankfulness, we humbly acknowledge; and, withal, being thoroughly convinc'd, that your Majesty is our only Rightful and Lawful Sovereign, do take this Occasion, when threaten'd with an Invasion from *France*, for setting up a Popish Pretender upon the Throne of these Realms, to the utter Subversion of all our valuable Interests, Sacred and Civil, to give your Majesty new Assurance of our inviolable Allegiance and firm Purpose to adhere to your Majesty, and to do what is proper for us, in promoting, by our Example and Influence, all dutiful Carriage to God and your Majesty, amongst the People committed to our Charge.

Your Majesty's Royal Predecessors were blessed of God, to be Instruments in disabling sometime the mighty Power of *Spain* from hitherto being a Terror to the Protestants of *Europe*; and we hope and pray, that God would, in like manner, make your Majesty successful, in so far reducing the Exorbitant Power of *France*, as that Neighbouring States, and Protestant Churches at Home and Abroad, shall never thereby be insulted over, or your Majesty in hazard from thence, of any Attempt against your Throne and Dominions.

May God long preserve your Majesty's Person, direct your Councils, prosper your Arms by Sea and Land, continue you to be the Delight of your Subjects, the Guardian of the Protestant Religion and Liberties of *Europe*, and Terror of your Enemies.

Signed in Presence, Name, and by Appointment of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most dutiful, most humble, and most obedient Subjects and Servants, the Ministers of the foresaid Presbytery; by, &c.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty.

*The humble Address of the Bailiffs and Citizens of the City of Lichfield; presented to her Majesty by Sir Henry Gough one of the Representatives, and Petriplafie Nut, Esq; Steward of the said City, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Somerset.*

May it please your Majesty,

**AS** nothing can be more dear to us than the Safety of your Royal Person, our Religion, Laws and Liberties, so nothing can be more dangerous than the Enemies of all these, which we must always believe the Pretender and *French* Power to be; and do therefore humbly beg leave to assure your Majesty, that as your great and glorious Successes hitherto have often rais'd our Joy to the Height, so this late intended Invasion has no less rais'd our Indignation against all those who have either attempted or consented to it.

May Almighty God, who has prosper'd and preserv'd you to this Day, for ever frustrate such horrible Designs. And whenever our Lives and Fortunes shall be requir'd for the Maintenance of your undoubted Right to these Crowns, against any of your Enemies, both at home and abroad, we beg your Majesty to believe none of your Subjects shall more freely offer them for your Assistance and Support than we will do, who think it our chiefest Happiness to be govern'd by the best of Queens.

Dated under our common Seal at the said City the 22d Day of *March*, in the 7th Year of your Majesty's Reign, and in the Year of our Lord, 1707.

*The humble Address of the Honour and Borough of Cocker-mouth, in the County of Cumberiand; presented to Her Majesty by his Grace the Duke of Somerset.*

Most Gracious Sovereign,

**WE** your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Bailiff, Burghers, and other Inhabitants of the Honour and Borough of *Cockermouth*, in the County of *Cumberland*, humbly beg Leave, on this Occasion, to lay at your Majesty's Feet this most sincere and hearty Tender of our Lives and Fortunes, which we shall ever be most ready to sacrifice, in defence of your Majesty's unquestionable Right to these Kingdoms, against the Popish Pretender, and all his open or secret Abettors. 'Tis no Surprise to us, that *Rome* and *France* should form Attempts to disturb your Majesty in the Prosecution of your glorious Undertaking, to maintain in *Europe* free Religion and Liberty; (but it moves in us the utmost Indignation and Resentment) that any of your Majesty's Subjects, who call themselves Protestants, should be so weak and wicked, as any way to be accessory to such a Design of

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