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St. James's, March 6.

THE following Address from the Borough of *Inverurie*, was sent up by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Kintore*, and the Rt. Hon. the Lord *Inverurie*, and presented to Her Majesty by *Alexander Reid*, of *Barra*, Esq; Member of Parliament for the said Borough, being introduced by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of *Findlater* and *Seafield*.

To the QUEEN's most Excellent Majesty,
The humble Address of the Rt. Hon. *William* Lord *Inverurie*, for himself, and in Name of the Magistrates, Town-Council, and Inhabitants of the Burgh of *Inverurie*, North-Britain.

May it please your Majesty,
WE Your Majesty's most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, do hereby return our most thankful Acknowledgments, for the great Benefits and Advantages we partake under Your Majesty's most Glorious and Auspicious Reign, and particularly for Your Majesty's Condescension, in communicating to Your People the Terms on which a Peace may be concluded, (tho' it be Your undoubted Prerogative to make Peace and War.) Nor can we longer doubt of the Success of Your Majesty's Negotiations, since, as a sure Pledge thereof, we see Your Majesty possessed of that important Fort of *Dunkirk*; and that by Your Wisdom and great Care, with the wise and prudent Administration of Your Ministry, we do already enjoy a Cessation of all Hostilities both by Sea and Land.

We beg further Leave humbly to return Your Majesty our hearty Thanks for the Toleration granted to those of the Episcopal Perswasion, and for restoring the Patrons to their antient Rights and Privileges. And that God, who is the Author of Peace, and the Lover of Concord, who will never join with Disturbers of both, may bless Your Majesty with Success against Your Enemies at Home and Abroad, shall be the constant Prayers of, may it please Your Majesty, Your Majesty's Loyal Subjects, most Obedient and Dutiful Servants.

Which Address Her Majesty received very graciously.

Madrid, February 20. N. S. The Diversions of the Carnival continue at Court, and their Majesties are entertained every Night with a French or Spanish Play, which are represented by Turns. The King hath established a new Junta, composed of the Presidents of the Councils of Castile, and the Finances, the Count de *Bergeick*, three Auditors of the Royal Council and a Secretary. They are to examine Count *Bergheick's* Project for the better management of the Revenues of the Crown, and, if it be approv'd, to put it in execution. Orders are given for all the Alcaldes of the Court to enquire into the Behaviour of those that live in their several Districts, and particularly of all Strangers that lie in the Inns; as also to inform themselves of the Occasion of their coming to this Place, and their staying in it. The Government hath appointed Twelve Commissioners to take care of having all Houses repair'd when they are in danger of falling, and are neglected by the Proprietors. On the 16th a Courier from Rome brought an account, that the Pope had created four new Cardinals, among whom is the Archbishop of *Seville*, and his Majesty there-

upon dispatch'd an Express to that Prelate to give him notice of his Promotion.

Brussels, March 12. N. S. The States of *Brabant* have been lately assembled at this Place, and are now separated. They consented to raise Money for the Contributions due to *France*; but they would not grant a further Supply that was demanded of them for the Subsistence of the Imperial Forces. The Troops in *Dutch Pays*, which are ordered to be Canton'd on this side, arrive daily at the several Stations assign'd them; but the whole Number will not be come up so soon as was expected, for the *Prussians* who are to make a part of this Cantonment, have hitherto refused to leave their Quarters. General *Fagel*, who commands in Chief in the absence of Count *Tilly*, is here at present, as is likewise Lieutenant General *Murray*. Some Days ago a great Detachment of the Enemy's Troops march'd out of their Garrisons on the *Scarpe*, upon Intelligence that the Confederates had form'd a Design to surprize *St. Amand*, which proving to be a false Alarm, the *French* returned to their Quarters.

Utrecht, March 14. N. S. On the 11th, the Imperial and Dutch Ministers were together in Conference, in the presence of those of Her Majesty, upon the Subject of the Barrier Treaty, and afterwards their Lordships met the Ministers of *France* and *Portugal*. Yesterday Morning the Plenipotentiaries of the Emperor and of the States General were again in Conference with those of Her Majesty at the Lord Privy Seal's House, from whence they went to a Conference which was held at the Townhouse, as usual, among the Ministers of the Allies, to whom their Lordships made a Speech, signifying that Her Majesty was upon the Point of Signing Her Peace, and exhorting them to a conclusion of their own, without any further delay. In the Afternoon their Lordships were again in Conference with the *French* at *Marschal D'Uxelle's* House. This Day the several and distinct Instruments relating to the Evacuation of *Catalonia*, and the Neutrality of *Italy*, to which the Queen is Guarantee, were Sign'd between Her Majesty's Plenipotentiaries, and those of the Emperor, *France* and *Savoy*, at the Lord Privy Seal's House. *George* St. John, Esq; whom Her Majesty hath appointed to be Secretary of the Ambassy, in the room of *Mr. Harrison* lately deceas'd, arrived here three Days ago.

Hague, March 14. N. S. The States of *Holland* will begin to Sit to Morrow, and it is not doubted but they will immediately approve the Articles of Peace, that are to be communicated to them by the States-General; and that they will grant their full Power for Signing it after the Queen's Example. The Generals *Tilly* and *Doff* are come hither from the Low Countries, to remedy several Inconveniencies that our Troops meet with in their Cantonment in those Parts, having neither Victuals nor Magazines, and the Province of *Brabant* will not assist them in any thing. Count *Van der Nath*, a Privy-Counsellor of *Holstein-Gottorp*, who arrived here some Days ago, hath presented a Memorial to the States; setting forth, that the King of *Denmark*, upon an ill-grounded Preence, hath taken Possession of the Dutchies of *Sleswick* and *Holstein*, and oppressed them with great Contributions and other Burthens, far beyond what they are able to bear