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Letter from the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of London.

Whitehall, May 8, 1722.

My Lord,

HIS Majesty having Nothing more at Heart than the Peace and Safety of his good City of London, the Protection of its Inhabitants, and the Support of Publick Credit, has commanded me to acquaint your Lordship, that he has received repeated and unquestionable Advices, that several of his Subjects, forgetting the Allgiance they owe to his Majesty, as well as the natural Love they ought to bear to their Country, have entred into a wicked Conspiracy, in Concert with Traytors abroad, for raising a Rebellion in this Kingdom in Favour of a Popish Pretender, with a Traiterous Design to overthrow our excellent Constitution both in Church and State, and to subject a Protestant Free People to Tyranny and Superstition: But I am perswaded, that it will be a great Satisfaction to your Lordship and the City to find, that at the same time that I am ordered to inform you of this Design, I am likewise commanded by his Majesty to let you know, that he is firmly assured, that the Authors of it neither are, nor will be supported, nor even countenanced by any Foreign Power. And as his Majesty has had timely Notice of their wicked Machinations, and has made the proper Dispositions for defeating them, he has no Reason to doubt, but by the Continuance of the Blessing of Almighty God, and the ready Assistance of his faithful Subjects, this Effort of the Malice of his Enemies will be turned to their own Confusion.

His Majesty makes no Doubt but your Lordship, pursuant to the Trust reposed in you, will, in Conjunction with the other Magistrates of his good City of London, exert with the utmost Care and Vigilance your Authority, at so important a Conjunction, for the Preservation of the Publick Peace, and the Security of the City.

I am, &c.

T O W N S H E N D.

St James', May 9. This Day the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Recorder of London, presented the following Address to His Majesty.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.
The humble Address of the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of the City of London.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

YOUR Majesty having been graciously pleased to signify to the Lord Mayor, how much you have at Heart, the Peace and Safety of your City of London, the Protection of its Inhabitants, and the Support of Publick Credit, and that your Majesty has unquestionable Advices of a wicked Conspiracy, entred into by some of your Majesty's Subjects, in Concert with Traytors abroad, for raising a Rebellion in this Kingdom in Favour of a Popish Pretender to your Majesty's Crown.

We the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen of this City, most humbly intreat your Majesty's Permission, to make this our immediate approach to your Royal Presence, that we may return our most humble and unfeigned Thanks, for this Instance of your Majesty's tender and indulgent Regard to your faithful and dutiful Subjects of this City, and that we may have Leave to give your Majesty Assurances of our steady and unalterable Affection and Zeal for your Royal Person and Government, and for the continuance of the Protestant Succession in your Royal Family.

[Price Three Half-Pence.]

And it is an unspeakable Satisfaction to us, that we can at the same Time Congratulate your Majesty on the happy Success of those Negotiations, which have procured Assurances, that these wicked and traiterous Purposes will not be supported, or countenanced by any Foreign Power.

When we reflect on the many Blessings which Britons enjoy, under the Protection of a Prince, who makes the Laws of this Land his Rule for the Government of his People; when we consider that neither the Civil, or Religious Rights of your Majesty's Subjects have met with the least Instance of Violation, since your Majesty's happy Accession to the Throne of these Realms; when we recollect your Majesty's Royal Clemency, and Benevolence, (since the last Rebellion) to Numbers of those who had offended in the highest Degree, against their King and the Laws of their Country, we cannot but express the utmost Abhorrence of those vile and detestable Persons, who shall again conspire and attempt to bring a free and happy People, under the Yoke and Tyranny of Superstition, and to involve this Nation in a State of Blood, Misery, and the utmost Confusion.

And as these must be the unavoidable Consequences, attending any Enterprize to alter our present happy Establishment, and to introduce a Popish one;

As Englishmen that Value our Liberties, as honest Men that have sworn Allegiance to your Majesty, and who have abjured and renounced the Pretender, and as real Friends to our Excellent Constitution in Church and State, (with a Protestant Prince at the Head of it,) we beg Leave in the most solemn Manner to declare to your Majesty, that as we are bound in Gratitude, we will exert our selves in our several Stations, with the utmost Care and Vigilance, for the Preservation of the Publick Peace and Tranquility, and for the restoring of Publick Credit; and that we will use our sincere and hearty Endeavours, for the firm Support of your Majesty upon the Throne, and for the making your Reign easy and happy.

And we doubt not, but by the Blessing of Almighty God upon the Wisdom and Conduct of your Majesty, and the Vigilance of your Councils, and the ready and chearful Assistance of your Majesty's faithful Subjects, your Majesty will entirely defeat and frustrate the Malice and Efforts of all your Enemies, their Aiders and Abettors, and that their wicked Machinations will be turned to their own Confusion.

Stracey.

To which His Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer.

YOUR affectionate and Cordial Assurances, upon this Important Occasion, of an unshaken Zeal and Fidelity to my Person and Government, give me the greatest Satisfaction.

Your Interest and mine are and ever must be inseparable, and I doubt not but that, with the Blessing of God, the Precautions I have taken and your firm Adherence to our just Cause, will soon convince our Enemies that their wicked Designs can end in nothing but their own Confusion.

You may depend upon my constant Care and utmost Endeavours for support the Publick Credit, to protect the Privileges and Properties of this great and opulent City, and to maintain the Religion, Laws and Liberties of this Kingdom.

After which they had the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand; and His Majesty was pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood on, Edward Beecher, Esq; one of the Sheriffs.

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AT the Court at St. James's, the 9th Day of
May, 1722.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This Day the Right Honourable Sir Robert Sutton was, by His Majesty's Command, sworn of His Majesty's most Honourable Privy-Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

By the King,

A P R O C L A M A T I O N,

For putting the Laws in Execution against Papists and Non-Jurors, and for commanding all Papists, and reputed Papists, to depart from the Cities of London and Westminster, and from within ten Miles of the same, and for confining Papists, and reputed Papists, to their Habitations; and for putting in Execution the Laws against Riots and Rioters.

G E O R G E R.

WHEREAS we have received repeated and unquestionable Advices, That several of our Subjects, forgetting the Allegiance they owe to us, as well as the natural Love they ought to bear to their Country, have entred into a wicked Conspiracy, in Concert with the Traytors Abroad, for raising a Rebellion in our Kingdom of Great Britain, in Favour of a Popish Pretender, with a Traiterous Design to overthrow our Excellent Constitution both in Church and State. And whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the first Year of the Reign of their late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, Intituled, *An Act for the better securing the Government, by Disarming Papists, and reputed Papists*, it was enacted, That it should and might be lawful for any two or more Justices of the Peace, who should know or suspect any Person to be a Papist, or should be informed that any Person was, or was suspected to be a Papist, to tender, and they were thereby authorized and required forthwith to tender to such Person, so known or suspected to be a Papist, the Declaration set down and expressed in an Act of Parliament made in the thirtieth Year of the Reign of the late King Charles the Second, Intituled, *An Act for the more effectual preserving the King's Person and Government by Disabling Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament*, to be by him made, repeated and subscribed; and if such Person so required, should refuse to make, repeat and subscribe the said Declaration, or refuse or forbear to appear before the said Justices, for the Making, Repeating and Subscribing thereof, on Notice to him given, or left at his usual Place of Abode, by any Persons authorized in that behalf, by Warrant under the Hands and Seals of the said two Justices, he was in and by that Act prohibited to have or keep in his House, or elsewhere, or in the Possession of any other Person to his Use, or at his Disposition, any Arms, Weapons, Gunpowder, or Ammunition, other than such necessary Weapons as should be allowed to him by Order of the Justices of the Peace at a General Quarter-Sessions for the Defence of his House or Person; and that any two or more Justices of the Peace, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, by Virtue of that Act, might authorize and empower any Person or Persons in the Day-Time, with the Assistance of the Constable or his Deputy, or the Tythingman or Headborough, where the Search should be, to search for all Arms, Weapons, Gun-

powder, or Ammunition, which should be in the House, Custody or Possession of any such Papist, or reputed Papist, and seize the same for the Use of their said late Majesties and their Successors. And further, That no Papist, or reputed Papist, so refusing or making Default, should or might have, or keep in his own Possession, or in the Possession of any other Person to his Use, or at his Disposition, any Horse or Horses, which should be of the Value of five Pounds to be sold: And that any two or more Justices of the Peace, by Warrant under their Hands and Seals, might and should authorize any Person or Persons, with such Assistance, as aforesaid, where the Search should be, to search for, and seize for the Use of their said late Majesties and their Successors, all such Horse and Horses, which should be above the Value of five Pounds to be sold. And whereas by another Act made in the said first Year of the Reign of their said late Majesties King William and Queen Mary, Intituled, *An Act for the Abrogating of the Oaths of Supremacy and Allegiance, and appointing other Oaths*, all Persons, who should refuse to take the Oaths therein directed to be taken, after the Tenders thereby directed to be made, and should refuse to make and subscribe the said Declaration in the said Act of the thirtieth Year of the said late King Charles the Second, should suffer all Pains, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities, as a Popish Recusant Convict, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever. And whereas in and by an Act made in the first Year of our Reign, Intituled, *An Act for the further Security of His Majesty's Person and Government, and the Succession of the Crown in the Heirs of the late Princess Sophia, being Protestants; and for Extinguishing the Hopes of the Pretended Prince of Wales, and his open and secret Abettors*, It is enacted, That it should and might be lawful to and for two or more Justices of Peace, or any other Person or Persons, who should be by us for that Purpose specially appointed by Order in our Privy Council, or by Commission under the Great Seal, to administer and tender the Oaths in the said Act appointed to be taken, to any Person or Persons whatsoever, whom they should or might suspect to be dangerous or disaffected to us, or our Government; and if any Person or Persons, to whom the said Oaths should be so tendered, should neglect or refuse to take the same, such Justices, or any other Person or Persons specially to be appointed, as aforesaid, tendering the said Oaths, should certify the Refusal thereof to the next Quarter-Sessions of the County, Riding, Liberty, City, Borough, Town-Corporate, or Place, in which such Refusal should be made; and the said Refusal should be recorded amongst the Rolls of that Sessions, and should be from thence certified by the Clerk of the Peace of such County, Riding, Liberty, City, Borough, Town-Corporate, or Place, into our Court of Chancery, or King's Bench, Court of Sessions, or Court of Justiciary in Scotland, there to be recorded amongst the Rolls of the said Courts, in a Roll or Rolls there to be provided and kept for that Purpose only; and that every Person so neglecting or refusing to take the said Oaths, should be, from the Time of his Neglect or Refusal, taken, esteemed, and adjudged a Popish Recusant Convict, and as such to forfeit and be proceeded against. And to the Intent and Purpose that no Person might avoid taking the several Oaths in the said Act particularly mentioned, upon any Pretence whatsoever, It is thereby further enacted, That it should and might

might be lawful unto and for Two or more Justices of Peace, or any other such Person or Persons, who should be by us for that Purpose specially appointed by Order in our Privy Council, or by Commission under our Great Seal, by Writing under their Hands and Seals, to summon any Person to appear before them at a certain Day and Time therein to be appointed, to take the said Oaths; which said Summons should be served upon such Person, or left at his Dwelling House or usual Place of Abode, with one of the Family there; and if such Person, who should be so summoned, should neglect or refuse to appear according to such Summons, that then, upon due Proof to be made upon Oath of the serving the said Summons (which Oath such Justices, or any other Person or Persons specially to be appointed, as aforesaid, are by the said Act enabled to administer) such Justices, or any other Person or Persons specially to be appointed, as aforesaid, are hereby required to certify the same to the next General Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for such County, Riding, Liberty, City, Borough, Town Corporate, or Place, there to be entered upon the Rolls of the said Sessions: And if such Person, who should be so summoned to take the said Oaths, as aforesaid, should neglect or refuse to appear, and take the said Oaths, at the said General Quarter Sessions, the Names of the Persons so certified being publicly read at the first Meeting of the said Sessions, That then and in such Case such Person should be taken, esteemed, and adjudged a Popish Recusant Convict, and as such to forfeit and be proceeded against, as if such Person had actually refused to take the said Oaths; and the same should be from thence certified by the Clerk of the Peace of such County, Riding, Liberty, City, Borough, Town-Corporate, or Place, into our High Court of Chancery, or King's Bench, Court of Session, or Court of Judicatory in Scotland, there to be recorded amongst the Rolls of the said Court, in a Roll or Rolls there to be provided and kept for that Purpose only. And whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the five and twentieth Year of the Reign of Queen Elizabeth, every Popish Recusant Convict is to repair to the Place of his usual Dwelling or Abode, and not at any time to remove above five Miles from thence, unless thereunto licensed according to the Direction of that Act, or of a subsequent Act made in the third Year of the Reign of the late King James the First. And whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the third Year of the late King James the First, intituled, *An Act to prevent and avoid Dangers which may grow by Popish Recusants*, It is provided, That all Popish Recusants, indicted or convicted of Recusancy, should depart from the City of London, and ten Miles Compaſs of the same, under certain Penalties therein mentioned. And whereas by one other Act of Parliament, made in the first Year of the Reign of the late King William and Queen Mary, intituled, *An Act for the removing Popists, and reputed Popists, from the Cities of London and Westminster, and ten Miles Distance from the same*, It is enacted, That for the better discovering and removing all Popists, and reputed Popists, out of the said Cities, and ten Miles of the same, it

required, that the Lord Mayor for the time being, and every Justice of the Peace for the City of London, and for the City and Liberties of Westminster, and Borough of Southwark, and of the Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, Kent, and Essex, within their respective Counties, Boroughs, and Limits, should, from time to time, cause to be arrested and brought before him every Person or Persons (not being a Merchant-Foreigner, or such other Person or Persons as the said Act excepts) within the said Cities, or within ten Miles of the same, being Papists, or reputed to be Papists, and tender unto him the Declaration mentioned in the Statute made in the thirtieth Year of King Charles the Second, intituled, *An Act for the more effectual Preserving the King's Person and Government, by disabling Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament*: And in Case such Person, upon such Tender, should refuse to repeat, make and subscribe the said Declaration, and should, after such Refusal, remain, continue, or be within the said City or Cities, or ten Miles Distance from the same, That in every such Case he or she should forfeit and suffer as a Popish Recusant Convict, by the Laws thenceforth established, should or might suffer or forfeit; and that every Justice of the Peace should certify all such Subscriptions, and the Names of all Persons refusing to subscribe upon Tender, as aforesaid, under his Hand and Seal, into the Court of King's Bench the next Term, or at the next Quarter Sessions, where such Taking, Subscribing, or Refusal should happen. Now for the Preservation of the publick Peace, and for the defeating the wicked and Traiterous Designs of the Conspirators, we have thought fit, by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, to issue this our Royal Proclamation, hereby commanding and requiring all our Justices of the Peace, and all others whom it may Concern, That they do, with the utmost Diligence and Application, put the said Laws strictly in Execution against Papists and Non-Jurors; and that they tender to them the said Oaths and Declarations, and take from the Refusers thereof their Horses and Arms; and that they do also put strictly in Execution all other Laws made against Papists, reputed Papists, and Non-Jurors: And the respective Justices of the Peace, and others concerned to execute our Commands herein, are hereby required to certify an Account of what they shall do pursuant to the same, to us in our Privy Council. And we do hereby further strictly charge and command all Papists, and reputed Papists, (except Merchant-Foreigners, and such other Persons, as in the said before-mentioned Act are excepted) on or before Wednesday the twenty third Day of this Instant May, to depart out of the said Cities of London and Westminster, and Borough of Southwark, and from all Places within ten Miles Distance from the same. And we do hereby strictly charge and command the Lord Mayor of London, and all Justices of the Peace of our Cities of London and Westminster, and of our said Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, Kent, and Essex, that they do make diligent Search and Enquiry for, and with all Vigour proceed, according to the said recited Act of Parliament, against all and every Papist, and reputed Papist, who shall be found within the
said

said Cities of London and Westminster, and Borough of Southwark, and within ten Miles Distance of the same, after the said twenty third Day of May, contrary to the Tenour of the said Act, and the Purport of this our Royal Proclamation. And we do further strictly charge and command, that immediately after the said twenty third Day of May, the Constables, Church-Wardens, and other Officers within the said Cities and Places, do go from House to House in their several Parishes, Hamlets, Constabularies, and Divisions respectively, and there take an Account of the Names and Surnames of all such Persons, as are Papists, or Popish Recusants, or reputed so to be, as well Housholders as Lodgers or Servants, and to carry a List of their Names to the two next Justices of the Peace, who are hereby required to send for and proceed, as aforesaid, against all such of them as are not Merchant-Foreigners, or other the Persons in the said Act excepted. And we do further strictly charge and command all Popish Recusants, Natives and Denizens, who shall be above the Age of sixteen Years, that they do, according to the Statutes in that behalf made, repair to their respective Places of Abode, and do not thence remove or pass above the Distance of five Miles, unless thereto licensed according to Law. And we do hereby further strictly charge and command all our Judges and Justices of the Peace, and other Magistrates, that they do use their utmost Endeavours to prevent and suppress all Riots, Tumults, and unlawful Assemblies, and to put in due and strict Execution all Laws made for preventing, or for the more speedy and effectual suppressing and punishing the same; and that all our loving Subjects be aiding and assisting therein.

Given at our Court at St. James's the Ninth Day of May, 1722. In the Eighth Year of our Reign.
God save the KING.

Dantzick, April 26. We have an Account from Moscow, that on the Czar's Return thither from Olonitz, the Duke of Holstein presented to him a Memorial, desiring in very earnest Terms to have a final Resolution as to his Marriage with the eldest Princess; whereupon a Declaration was returned to him in Writing, That the Princess continuing firm in her Aversion to his Person, notwithstanding all the Endeavours and Perswasions that had been used, his Czarish Majesty did not think it reasonable to force her to the Match. There was not the least Mention, in this Declaration, of the second Princess, to soften the Refusal. The Preparations for the Expedition against Persia, were carrying on with the greatest Diligence; but the Day for the Czar's Departure was not yet fixed.

Genoa, May 5. Yesterday were put into Vado by contrary Winds, two Spanish Ships of War and 16 Barks, laden with Mortars, Cannon, and all Sorts of warlike Stores, in four Days from Barcelona, designed for Porto Longone. The Commissary of War who was on board one of the said Ships, set out immediately for Leghorne.

Gibraltar, April 13, O. S. Yesterday Orders came from the King of Spain, for Opening the

Communication with this Place, which the commanding Officer of the Spanish Camp has done accordingly.

Whitehall, May 10.

His Majesty has been graciously pleased to confer the Dignity of Peer of Great Britain on David Graham, Esq; commonly called Marquess Graham, eldest Son of the Duke of Montrose, by the Name, Style, and Title of Baron Graham, and Earl Graham of Belford in the County of Northumberland. As also,

On Robert Ker, Esq; commonly called Marquess Bowmont, only Son of the Duke of Roxburgh, by the Name, Style, and Title of Baron Ker, and Earl Ker of Wakefield in the County of York.

Members chosen for the ensuing Parliament:

Shire of Ayr. John Montgomery, Esq;
Francis Child, Esq;
City of London. Peter Godfrey, Esq;
John Barnard, Esq;
Richard Lockwood, Esq;

His Majesty's Service requiring the immediate Attendance of all Military Officers who are upon the Establishment of Ireland, This is to give Notice to all such Military Officers, that it is his Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Pleasure that they do forthwith repair to their respective Posts in Ireland, as they will answer the contrary at their Peril.
Edw. Hopkins.

Whitehall, April 16, 1722.

This is to signify in His Majesty's Name, that if any Person or Persons shall hereafter apprehend any one or more Highwaymen, who from and after the Date hereof shall have robbed any of the Mails, or shall have been concerned as Accomplices in the robbing of any of them, such Person or Persons shall have a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds for each Offender, who shall be convicted thereof, to be paid by the Receiver General of the Post-Office, over and above the Reward directed by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen; or if any Person hereafter concerned in robbing any of the Mails shall make a Discovery of the same, so that his Accomplice or Accomplices shall be convicted thereof, such Person shall have His Majesty's most gracious Pardon, or also receive the Reward of Two Hundred Pounds for each Offender so convicted, to be paid as aforesaid.

CARTERET.

Whereas a Letter signed J. D. dated at St James's the 9th of this Instant May, being drept at the South-Sea-House, is come to the Hands of the Person to whom it is directed; Notice is hereby given, that if the Person who wrote the said Letter, will make himself known, and disclose any of the Matters therein contained, he shall receive all reasonable Encouragement and Protection.

Advertisements.

THE Reversion (after the Death of Sarah Countess Dowager of Winchelsea) of several Farms and Lands in the Parish of Boughton Aluph, in the County of Kent, of the yearly Value of 195 l. part of the Estate of Charles late Earl of Winchelsea, deceased, will peremptorily be sold to the best Bidder, before Richard Godfrey, Esq; one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, at his Chambers in Chancery Lane, between the Hours of Four and Five in the Afternoon, on Tuesday the 22d of May 1722. Particulars of the said Estate may be had at the said Master's Chambers.

TO be sold before John Bennett, Esq; one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, by Vertue of a Decree of the said Court, one Messuage or Tenement with convenient Barns, Stables, Orchards, four Closes of Pasture Ground, several Pieces and Parcels of Arable Lands, and several Parcels of Meadow and Pasture Ground, lying in the common Fields of Solford, in the County of Oxford, of the yearly Value of 37 l. Part of the Estate of John Wheeler, deceased: Particulars of the said Estate may be had at the said Master's House in Chancery-Lane.

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