

of March, one thousand seven hundred and forty three.

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Grand Jury, Gentlemen, Clergy and Freeholders of the County of Monmouth, having received undoubted Information of the Designs carrying on by the Court of France in Favour of a Popish Pretender, beg Leave to take this first Opportunity of expressing our just Abhorrence and Detestation of so daring and insolent an Enterprize; and we do assure your Majesty, that we will, at the Hazard of our Lives and Fortunes, defend your Majesty's undoubted Right to the Imperial Throne of these Kingdoms.

We are convinced that, under your illustrious House alone, we can be a free People.

We are convinced that, under your Government, our Religion, Laws and Liberties have been maintained in their full Force; and that the great Work, begun by your Royal Predecessor King William the Third, of glorious and immortal Memory, have been, in the most effectual Manner, compleated, throughout the whole Course of your Majesty's Reign.

Such Conviction, and such Sentiments, must inspire all Lovers of Liberty with the warmest Gratitude; and if Religion, Liberty and Property are Things dear to every English Breast, your Majesty's Possession of this Throne must be equally so, since upon that alone they all depend.

The following Address of the Mayor, Recorder and Common Council of the Borough of Devizes, has been presented to his Majesty by Doctor Lee, one of their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Earl of Rochford: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder and Common Council of the Borough of Devizes in the County of Wilts.

May it please your Majesty,

WE the Mayor, Recorder and Common Council of this your ancient and loyal Borough, humbly beg Leave, upon this important Occasion, to give your Majesty the warmest and strongest Assurances of our most inviolable and unshaken Fidelity and Loyalty to your Majesty's Person and Government.

And to express our utmost Concern, as well as Indignation, that there should be any of our Fellow Subjects, who, after the long Experience they have had of your Majesty's mild and gentle Government, and in the full Enjoyment of their Rights, Liberties and Properties, can be so lost to all Sense of Duty and Gratitude to your Majesty, as well as Regard to their own Welfare and Happiness, as to engage in any Measures to promote a Design in Favour of a Popish Pretender to the Crown of these Realms.

A Design which, we are fully persuaded, can never be executed but with the Ruin and Destruction of our Religion, Laws, Liberties, and all that can be dear and valuable to a Free People.

It is no Surprize to us to find an Attempt of this Kind, supported by a Power, whose boundless Ambition can never be satisfied so long as the Liberties of Great Britain shall subsist.

But we flatter ourselves, that by the Wisdom and Prudence of your Majesty's Measures, assisted by the Zeal and Vigour of a British Parliament, and the Blessing of that Providence which has so often exerted itself in Defence of the Protestant Cause, these Invaders of the Rights and Liberties, and perpetual Disturbers of the Peace and Tranquility of Europe, will soon be convinced of the Folly as well as Danger of so audacious an Insult upon a Prince, who, by his constant and uniform Regard to the Constitution and true Interest of his Kingdoms, has established his Security in the Hearts of his People.

That your Majesty's Arms may ever be attended with Success, to the Confusion of all your Enemies both at home and abroad; and that the Crown of these Realms may be continued in your Majesty's most illustrious House for the Support of the Protestant Religion, and the Preservation of the best and happiest Constitution in the World, till Time shall be no more, are the sincerest and most ardent Wishes

of your Majesty's

most Dutiful,

most Faithful and Obedient

Subjects and Servants.

Given under our Common Seal in the Council Chamber of the said Borough, the 13th Day of March, in the Year of our Lord 1743.

The following Address of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough of Christchurch, has been presented to his Majesty by Edward Hooper, jun. and Charles Armand Powlett, Esqrs. their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of St. Albans: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough of Christchurch in the County of Southampton.

Most gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor and Burgesses of your Majesty's ancient Borough of Christchurch in the County of Southampton, beg Leave to approach your Majesty, at this great and critical Conjunction, with Hearts full of Zeal for the Safety of your Majesty's most sacred Person, your Family and Government, and with that just Abhorrence, and Warmth of Indignation, which