

Discovery of an intended Invasion of your Majesty's Dominions; an Invasion insolently projected, at the same Time to impose a popish Pretender on a Protestant People, and to overthrow the Liberty of all Europe.

We should be altogether unworthy of the invaluable Blessings which were restored to our Ancestors by the glorious Revolution, brought about by the Wisdom and Courage of that blessed Instrument of Providence King William of immortal Memory, and which were confirmed to us by the Accession of your illustrious and Royal Family to the Government of these Kingdoms, if we did not lay hold of every Opportunity to express our Abhorrence of Attempts made in Favour of a popish outlawed Pretender, whose Success we are truly sensible must be our Destruction; since all our Religious and Civil Rights depend on the Continuance of your Majesty's Government over us; and our best Hopes for our Posterity center in an Expectation of their being governed to the End of Time, by Kings descended from your Majesty.

We therefore beseech your Majesty to accept of our most solemn and unfeigned Assurances, that we will at all Times be ready to sacrifice our Lives and Fortunes in Defence of your Majesty's lawful and rightful Title to the Crown of these Realms: And that we will for ever, with our utmost Power, oppose the Pretender and all his Adherents, and all other your Majesty's Enemies, Foreign and Domestick; and thereby endeavour to secure to our Posterity, an Assurance of being a free, flourishing and happy People, as we are, under your Majesty's auspicious Government.

The following Address of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Freeholders of the County of Waterford, having been transmitted to his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has by him been presented to his Majesty: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, Justices of the Peace, and Freeholders of the County of Waterford, at an Assizes held in and for the said County, the Thirty first Day of March, One thousand seven hundred and forty four, take Leave to approach your sacred Person, and to express our Detestation and Abhorrence of the late insolent Design, carried on by a Nation, notoriously perfidious, in Favour of a popish Pretender.

Your Majesty's Protestant Subjects of this Kingdom have deeply felt the fatal Effects of Popery, and (under God) consider your Majesty as the Guardian of their Holy Religion.

The Mildness of your Majesty's just Administration is a Security for their civil Rights;

and they are truly sensible, that the Preservation of both depends on your Majesty, and on the Succession in your illustrious House.

Tho' we have the strongest Assurances of Success, in the Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils, and in the Force of your Arms, yet we resolve to exert our utmost Power to keep out that Destroyer, Popery; and to support your Majesty's undoubted Title to the Crown of this Realm, against all foreign Enemies, or in-mate Foes.

The following Address of the Town and Port of Hythe, in the County of Kent, has been presented to his Majesty by William Glanville, Esq; one of their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Earl of Lincoln, one of the Lords of his Majesty's Bed-chamber in Waiting: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Town and Port of Hythe, in the County of Kent.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE the Mayor, Jurats and Commonalty, with the rest of the principal Inhabitants of the Town and Port of Hythe, in the County of Kent, beg Leave to express our Concern that the Happiness of your Majesty's Reign should be disturbed by Wars abroad, and much more concerned at the audacious Insult of your Majesty's Enemies, in their late Intent to invade this your Kingdom, in Favour of a popish Pretender.

We humbly assure your Majesty, that as our Hearts are truly loyal, and we well know that our own Happiness and Security depend entirely on the Preservation and Prosperity of your Majesty and your Royal Family; so we will do our Duty to the best of Kings, to the utmost of our Power.

May the Almighty Providence take your Royal Person into his especial Care and Protection, and bestow all Manner of Blessings, Spiritual and Temporal, on your Majesty and all your Royal Family. These are the sincere and hearty Prayers of your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects.

In Testimony whereof we have unanimously caused our Common Seal to be affixed hereunto, this fourteenth Day of April, in the seventeenth Year of your Majesty's Reign, 1744.

The following Address of the Corporation of Deal, in the County of Kent, has been presented to his Majesty by Thomas Hales, Esq; Lieutenant of Dover Castle, and Deputy Warden of the Cinque Ports, being introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Lincoln, one of the Lords of his Majesty's Bed-chamber in Waiting: