

Waiting : Which Association his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

An Association of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Assistants, Clergymen, Gentlemen, Freemen and Inhabitants of the City of Rochester, in the County of Kent, and of other Persons in the Places adjacent.

WE his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, having the greatest Abhorrence and Detestation of the most unnatural and wicked Rebellion, begun in Scotland, conducted by the Son of a popish and abjured Pretender, and now supported and carried on by the inveterate Malice of traitorous Papists, Nonjurors, and other desperate and abandoned Persons, with an Intent to subvert and overturn our happy Constitution in Church and State, and to dethrone our most gracious Sovereign King George, under whose indulgent Government and Protection, the Rights and Privileges which every free-born Briton could either wish or desire, have been, and still continue to be so fully enjoyed, And we having the most zealous Attachment to his Majesty's Royal Person and Family, and being as well by Duty as Inclination desirous to contribute all in our Power to support, maintain and defend his Majesty's Person and Government, upon which the Happiness of these Kingdoms (under God) so entirely depends; do think it incumbent upon us, in this Time of common Danger, to shew the Sincerity of our Hearts, not only by Words, but by our Actions, in uniting ourselves in one laudable Band of Association, for the Safety of his Majesty's Person, and the Preservation of our Religion and Liberties. We therefore, whose Names are hereunto subscribed, do every one of us, freely, cheerfully and sincerely associate, engage, promise and declare, That we will at all Times, mutually assist each other, to the utmost of our Power, with our Persons, Lives and Fortunes, in the Defence and Support of his Majesty King George (the only lawful and rightful King of these Realms) and of the Protestant Succession in his Royal Family, and of our happy Constitution both in Church and State. And that we will every one of us resist, as well by Force of Arms as all other Ways, every Attempt that shall be made by the said traitorous Persons, or other Enemies of our King and Country, who shall by any Means disturb the envied Felicity of these Nations, by endeavouring to place upon the Throne a popish Pretender; which if they should succeed (tho' God forbid) must effectually entail arbitrary Power, with all those dreadful Calamities which are inseparable from it, upon us and our Posterity.

Dated at the Guildhall of the said City of Rochester, the Fifth Day of October, 1745.

The following Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Magistrates, Common Council, Freemen, and principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Liskeard, has been presented to his Majesty by Richard Eliot and Charles Trelawny, Esqrs. their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Right Hon. the Lord Viscount Fauconberg, 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,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Magistrates, Common Council, Freemen and principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Liskeard, think it incumbent on us, most humbly to beg Leave to assure your Majesty of the Share we bear in the universal Joy that has prevailed on your Majesty's safe Arrival in these your British Dominions.

We reflect with the deepest Sense of Gratitude on your Majesty's unwearied and successful Endeavours to procure a worthy Head to the Empire: Happy Presage to a just Balance of Power in Europe; and we congratulate your Majesty most heartily on the taking of Cape Breton, a Circumstance by all now allowed to be of the greatest Consequence to Trade and Navigation.

Our Religion, Liberty and Laws, are of all Things the most valuable in our Esteem.

We cannot therefore, but with the utmost Indignation and Abhorrence, look on the present Rebellion in Favour of a popish and abjur'd Pretender: A Pretender, educated, maintained, and now supported by the Pope, in Conjunction with two arbitrary Princes. From these he has imbibed his Principles both in Religion and Politicks, and to them an abject Dependant, must ever remain.

Our glorious Ancestors, removed James the Second from the Throne, who rashly and impiously endeavoured to destroy our Constitution in Church and State; and yet, this daring Disturber of our Peace, influenced by the same Principles, vainly hopes to become our King.

To prevent therefore, as much as in us lies, the Ruin that would inevitably fall on us, and our Posterity, from the Success of this detested Enterprize;

We are ready, at the Expence of our Lives and Fortunes, to support you and your illustrious House, our Rights Religious and Civil, in Opposition to this Pretender, and every other Enemy to your Royal Person and Government.

Dated and subscribed at the Guildhall of the said Borough, the Eighth Day of October, in the Nineteenth Year of your Majesty's Reign, and in the Year of our Lord, 1745.