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THE following Address of the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese of Chester, having been transmitted by the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Chester, to his Grace the Duke of Newcastle, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, 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,

The humble Address of the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese of Chester.

Most gracious Sovereign,

AMIDST the Acclamations of all your Majesty's faithful and dutiful Subjects, we the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese of Chester, beg Leave to approach your Royal Presence to express the strong Sense we have of the manifold Blessings we enjoy under your most gracious and every Way legal Government.

This Happiness alone, of your Majesty's being the Minister of God to us for Good, is a sufficient Demand of our most affectionate Attachment to your Person and Rule over us, and must influence all your Subjects to that Purpose, excepting such wild and extravagant Wretches, of what Rank soever they be, whose Principles lead them to Confusion and a lawless Power.

The Safety of your Majesty's Person from Abroad, and the visible Influence your Presence there has had, in fixing the Imperial Diadem, to the Satisfaction of the Germanick-Body, is an ample Compensation for your Majesty's Absence from your British Dominions, and doubles our Joy upon your Return to a People, who with warm Hearts and open Arms receive you again into Great Britain.

The Success of your Majesty's Naval Force, in the Reduction of Cape Breton, is not only an Addition to the Security of our Trade and

Commerce in the American Seas, but is a sensible Blow to the ambitious Designs of our inveterate Enemies, as well as a Recovery of our Right to that Place.

Though it cannot but be some Alloy to our Pleasure, to find a rebellious Insurrection in the North Part of this Island, to destroy our whole Constitution; yet that does not in the least abate, but adds to our Zeal for the Maintenance of your sacred Person and Government.

We have the Good of our Posterity in View, as well as our own, and earnestly desire to transmit the Blessings we enjoy to our Children's Children, and latest Descendants, by a firm Adherence to a Succession of Protestant Princes; and that, as a just Reward for your Majesty's, and your Royal Father's unwearied Care for the Protestant Interest, and the Liberties of Europe, as well as of these Kingdoms, that Succession may be continued in a long, very long Descent, in your Illustrious and Royal House.

We renounce all Regard to a popish Pretender to the British Throne, save our making him the Object of our serious Detestation and Abhorrence. The Obligation we are under to your Majesty, is alone to us a sufficient Abjuration of him, and the strongest Motive to withstand his, and the Attempts of all his Adherents.

As your Majesty makes the Welfare of your People, your own, we should be most ungrateful to your Majesty, and lost to all Sense of our own, and the Nation's Felicity, if we should decline from that Duty we owe to your Government, and the Care incumbent on us to concur in every Means for the Safety of our holy Religion, Laws and Properties.

That your Majesty may long sway the British Sceptre: That you may have the Hearts of your Subjects; and that God would be pleased to abate the Pride, assuage the Malice, and confound the Devices of all your Enemies both at Home and Abroad, is and shall be the fervent and constant Prayer of,

Your Majesty's most obedient and faithful Subjects.

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