

known, and the Descent of the Crown transmitted and confirmed accordingly, in several successive Parliaments, it is with the utmost Astonishment that we see private Persons endeavouring to subvert and overturn it, and to raise the very Foundation and Fabrick of a Government, the best suited of any that ever existed, to the Interest and Liberties of a powerful and a free People.

As in the Religion and Liberties of this Country every one has an equal Interest with Persons of the greatest Property, and in their Properties an equal Security; so no one can be unconcerned in this common and national Cause. Even those who have never read or heard of the Dangers from which we were delivered by the happy Revolution, or the vain and deceitful Promises of popish Princes, can never be so deluded as to change a Certainty for what is so uncertain, with those whom no Oaths can bind, and with such who attempt that, in which none but the most desperate and the most abandoned can have any Interest.

As by your Majesty's unwearied Endeavours for the Good of this Country, and for settling the general Interest of Europe, no Pains have been spared to attain what was so much to be desired, and what was so much to be expected, if we had not been weakened by this unnatural and shocking Rebellion; so there is no one Circumstance that can aggravate the Guilt of a Crime, of this Nature, that has not concurred to raise our utmost Indignation and Resentment. Protestants fighting under a popish Banner, joined with those who have so lately shed the Blood of their Countrymen, with the added Insult, Menace, and Presumption of invading this Country with a Banditti accustomed to Rapine and Plunder; And all this at a Time when, by your Majesty's Influence abroad in the Choice of an Emperor, we had reaped so great an Advantage to the Common Cause and the Liberties of Europe, and had obtained, by your Majesty's Arms, that important Acquisition to the Trade and Wealth of this Country, doubly beneficial, by its Distress to our Enemy, and Advantage to us.

We therefore who look on this insolent and audacious Attempt with the utmost Detestation and Abhorrence, and are so sensible of the true and inseparable Interest of your Majesty and these Kingdoms, will exert ourselves to our utmost on this Occasion, and will contribute all that is in our Power to bring Vengeance on the Head of the Contrivers, and Abettors of this horrid Design; and will cheerfully concur in whatever Measure your Majesty, in your Wisdom shall think most conducive to that End.

The following Address of the Protestant Inhabitants of the County of Waterford, having

been transmitted by his Excellency the Earl of Chesterfield, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, 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 Protestant Inhabitants of the County of Waterford,

Most gracious Sovereign,

WITH Hearts overflowing with the warmest Wishes for your Majesty's Prosperity, we beg Leave, in this Manner, to approach your most sacred Person, to tender our Congratulations on your Majesty's safe Return to your Dominions at this critical Conjuncture. It would but ill become us (whose Attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government has ever been inviolable) to be silent at a Time, when the inveterate Enemy of your August House, and these your Kingdoms, has dared to intrude upon us, that worst of Evils, a popish Pretender, in open Violation of your Majesty's just and undoubted Rights.

We therefore take this Opportunity of assuring your Majesty, that we are filled with the highest Indignation at so insolent an Attempt; and that we are, and shall always be ready, at the Hazard of our Lives and Fortunes, to persist to the last in Defence of your Majesty's most sacred Person, and our present happy Establishment; being fully convinced, that we cannot do our Duty to God, or Justice to our Country, or ourselves, unless we exert our utmost Efforts to continue the Scepter in your most illustrious House; and thereby transmit to our Posterity the invaluable Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's mild and auspicious Reign.

The following Address of the Deputy Governors, Commissioners of Array, Officers of Militia of the County of Letrim, and others assembled at Carrick in the said County, having been transmitted by his Excellency the Earl of Chesterfield, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, 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 Deputy Governors, Commissioners of Array, Officers of Militia of the County of Letrim, and others assembled at Carrick in the said County of Letrim, the fourth Day of November 1745, being