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THIS Day was presented to his Majesty by the Reverend Mr. Samuel Chandler, attended by several of his Brethren, the humble Address of the Protestant Dissenting Ministers in and about the Cities of London and Westminster, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Newcastle.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Protestant Dissenting Ministers in and about the Cities of London and Westminster.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects humbly beg Leave to approach your Majesty's Presence, to offer our sincerest and warmest Congratulations for the happy Suppression of that impious and unnatural Rebellion, which hath been excited and carried on by ungrateful and perjured Men, in Favour of an outlaw'd, abjured, and popish Pretender.

How just were our Fears at the unexpected Progress of this wicked Attempt; and to what substantial Miseries must we have been reduced, had God, for our Sins, permitted it finally to prosper! Your Majesty's just and equitable Government, and in this every dear and valuable Interest belonging to us as Men, Christians, and Protestants, were the sacred Objects immediately struck at, and the Sacrifices intended to be made to the Ambition and Perfidy of France, the Superstition and Cruelty of Rome, and the presumptuous Claims of the desperate and worthless Invader of your Majesty's Dominions.

The seasonable and entire Victory with which God has blessed your Majesty's Arms, is attended with so many happy Consequences not only to these Kingdoms, but to the Protestant Religion and the Liberties of Europe, as will never be forgotten, whilst we know how to value the inestimable Blessings it hath secured; and well deserves all the most grateful and publick Acknowledgments to Almighty God, that a People doomed to Ruin, and

saved by him from Destruction, is capable of returning.

The Choice of his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, to be at the Head of your Majesty's Forces on this important Occasion, is the noblest Demonstration of your Majesty's high Regard for the National Welfare, and that in your Royal Breast the private Affection of a Father is taught to give Way to the publick Good; and will transmit the Remembrance of your Majesty to all future Ages, under the most honourable Character that a King can bear, the Friend, the Father of your People. And how distinguished is your Majesty's Happiness, that the Freeing these Kingdoms from Outrage, Sedition, and Rebellion, was by Providence reserved for this illustrious Royal Youth, early treading the Paths of Glory, and formed under your great Example, to be a Scourge to your Majesty's and his Country's Enemies, and a general Blessing to these favour'd Kingdoms.

That your Majesty may long live, beloved and honour'd by all your Subjects, feared and submitted to by all your Enemies, and be, under God, continued the Guardian of Liberty, and the Protector of true Religion: That all your Majesty's Blessings may be hereditary, your Honours descend to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and the Succession to your Imperial Crown never fail in your August Family. These, Sir, are our fervent Prayers, and of all who wish well to themselves, or have any just Concern for the Safety and Happiness of their Posterity.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer.

I THANK you for your Congratulations on the Success of my Arms, under the Command of my Son the Duke, against the Rebels. I am truly sensible of the Zeal which you have shewed, upon all Occasions, for the Support of my Government: And you may depend upon the Continuance of my Protection.

And they had all the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand.