

Added to these, that your Majesty at all Times chuses to govern by the settled and established Laws, we, out of meer Self-Interest, cannot but wish that your Majesty's Reign may be long over us; and when the great Debt to Nature is paid, that Princes descended from your Majesty, inheriting your Royal Virtues, and imitating the glorious Example of their Progenitor, may, by a mild and just Sway, bless our latest Posterity.

In Testimony whereof, we have caused the common Seal of the said City to be hereunto affixed, the 30th Day of December, in the Year of our Lord 1748.

The following Address of the Mayor and Commonalty of the City of York, has been presented to his Majesty by George Fox and William Thornton, Esqrs. their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Manchester, 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 Mayor and Commonalty of the City of York.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

PERmit us, with the rest of your faithful Subjects, to unite in the universal Voice of Congratulation on your Majesty's safe and happy Return to these your Kingdoms; an Happiness which nothing could increase, but that additional Blessing which your Majesty at the same Time brought us of Peace restored, which your unwearied Endeavours have now procured for us.

The late War your Majesty entred into was not through a Glory to extend your Dominions, or to gratify any ambitious Views, but proceeded from Motives the most noble and interesting to your People, the Protection of their Trade and Preservation of their Rights. With greater Cheerfulness we bore those Taxes and Inconveniences (the unavoidable and necessary Consequences of War) under the secure Hope of being relieved from them, as soon as your Majesty should see the Time fit, and which we are now assured of from the Throne.

The Improvement of this great Work, and reaping those Advantages which proceed from Peace, must be in a great Degree the proper Business and future Care of your Subjects, which nothing can so much advance as our own Unity and Peace at Home, our hearty Duty and Affection to your Majesty, and our Prayers for the long Continuance of your Royal Person and Family upon the Throne of these Kingdoms; the only Means of perpetuating those Blessings to us; which shall ever be the earnest Wishes

and Endeavours of us your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects.

Given under the Common Seal of the City of York aforesaid, the Fifth Day of January, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and forty eight.

The following Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Sheriff, and Common Council of the Town and County of the Town of Newcastle upon Tyne, has been presented to his Majesty by Walter Blackett and Matthew Ridley, Esqrs. their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by his Grace the Duke of Manchester, 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 Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Sheriff, and Common Council of the Town and County of the Town of Newcastle upon Tyne, in Common Council assembled.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, with all Humility, beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty upon your safe Return to your British Dominions, and at the same Time to express our grateful Sense of your unwearied Endeavours in re-establishing the publick Tranquility.

The many Instances of your Majesty's paternal Care for the Welfare of your Subjects, and the Steadiness, Prudence and Wisdom of your Councils, during your most auspicious Reign, have long taught us a perfect Reliance upon your Majesty's Conduct; made us cheerfully contribute to the Expence of a just and necessary War, and give us the strongest Assurances that your Majesty hath successfully attained to the true End of War, the Conclusion of a Peace Honourable to your Crown, and Advantageous to your Subjects.

Thus sensible of the Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's Government, our Interest, as well as Duty, prompts us most ardently to wish, That your Reign may be long and prosperous, and that the Honour of this Kingdom, and the Rights and Liberties of a grateful and loyal People, may, to the latest Posterity, continue to be maintained and supported by Princes descended from your Majesty's most illustrious House.

Given under our Common Seal the Sixteenth Day of January, 1748.

The following Address of the Governour, Assistants, Wardens and Fellowship of Merchant-Adventurers of the Town and County of Newcastle upon Tyne, has been presented to his Majesty by Walter Blackett and Matthew Ridley, Esqrs.