

most sincere Congratulations upon the many signal Successes with which it has pleased Almighty God to distinguish the Justice of your Majesty's Arms, and give a Check to the dangerous Designs of your Enemies.

The Reduction of Guadaloupe and Marigalante; the taking of Niagara, Ticonderoga, and Crown-Point, the Naval Victory off Cape Lagos, and above all, the Defeat of the French Army in Canada, and Conquest of the important City of Quebec, are Events, that will for ever distinguish the present Year, and render it a favourite and conspicuous Era in the History of Great-Britain.

But while we reflect with Pleasure on these Advantages which more immediately respect the British Nation, and which by showing your Majesty's Attention to the true Interest and Happiness of your Subjects, proclaim you the common Father of your People; let us not forget the noble and generous Efforts employed by your Majesty, in Defence of your foreign Dominions unjustly invaded, in Support of the Protestant Cause, the Liberties of the Germanic Body, and your illustrious Ally the King of Prussia, whose Magnanimity and unexampled Firmness have hitherto so wonderfully preserved him against the united Attacks of so many powerful Adversaries. The glorious Victory obtained by your Majesty's Troops in the Plains of Minden, as it must be productive of the most happy Consequences to the common Cause, so has it effectually frustrated the ambitious Designs of a restless Power, which, for more than a Century past, has threatened Europe with universal Thralldom. By Views so extensive, not confined to any one Age or Country, but which regard the general Interests of Society and the Independency of Nations, your Majesty has merited the greatest of all Titles, that of being the Patron of public Liberty, and the Friend of Mankind.

In this Scene of Triumph and Exultation, we cannot, however, forbear lamenting the heavy Loss your Majesty and the Public has sustained in the Death of that excellent Commander General Wolfe. But it affords us some Comfort, when we reflect, that he died fighting valiantly for his Country; that, though his Life was short, his Services were great, and that his Memory will be dear to every Briton, while Virtue, Magnanimity and Public Spirit bear a Price among Men.

Measures of such national and universal Concern, so invariably pursued, and vigorously executed, will be lasting Monuments of the Wisdom and Steadiness of the Counsels by which they were concerted, of the Conduct and Bravery of the Commanders intrusted with the Care of your Fleets and Armies, and of the hardy Valour of your Mariners and Soldiers.

Permit us to assure your Majesty, that it shall be our constant Endeavour to diffuse among the Youth under our Care, the genuine Principles of Public Spirit, an Attachment to the present happy Constitution of our Country, and a due Sense of the Blessings we derive from your Majesty's mild and paternal Administration.

May Divine Providence continue these signal Successes, which have hitherto attended your Majesty's Arms, until they procure a safe, honourable and lasting Peace; and may your Majesty, for many Years to come, enjoy the Fruits of your auspicious Government, in Returns of Loyalty and Affection from a grateful People.

Signed in Name and by Appointment of the University, this 23d Day of November 1759.

*George Campbell, Principal.*

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the City of Aberdeen.

*Most gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Provost, Magistrates and Council of your City of Aberdeen, beg Leave to join in

the general Acclamations of your People, and to testify to your Majesty our unfeigned Joy on the repeated Successes, with which the Divine Providence has been pleased to bless your Majesty's Arms, in the Course of this memorable and distinguished Year.

The rapid Progress of your Majesty's Arms in Africa, America, and the West Indies; the great Blow given to the Naval Power of France on the Coast of Portugal; the glorious Victory obtained by Prince Ferdinand, in the Plains of Minden; and the final Disappointment of the so much boasted Schemes of the Enemy in the East Indies, are Events in themselves so truly Noble, and have been attended with such Circumstances of Praise and Renown to your Majesty's Fleets and Armies, as must for ever render the Annals of your Majesty's Reign, one of the most shining Parts of the British Story.

From your Majesty's invariable Pursuit of such wise and vigorous Measures; from the Zeal and Unanimity of the whole Nation, in Support of the publick Interest; and from the Ardour and Intrepidity so conspicuous in your Majesty's Sea and Land Forces, we cannot but form the most pleasing Expectations, that these Successes will continue to signalize your Majesty's Reign, till you shall be enabled to put an End to a just and necessary War, by a safe, honourable and lasting Peace.

Permit us, Gracious Sovereign, to conclude with our most fervent Prayers, that your Majesty may long, very long, enjoy and impart to your faithful Subjects, the Fruits of so desirable a Blessing, that as you have rendered them great in War, you may behold them flourishing in Peace; and that your Royal Descendants may sway, with undiminished Lustre, the Imperial Crown of these Realms, to latest Posterity.

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most faithful, most dutiful, and loyal Subjects,

The Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the City of Aberdeen.

Signed in their Name, and by their Appointment, Aberdeen, By *John Duncan, Provost.*

Nov. 24, 1759.

The following Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Bailiffs and Common Council of the Borough and Town of Bedford, has been presented to His Majesty by Francis Horne and Robert Henley Ongley, Esqrs. their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Lord 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, Bailiffs, and Common Council of the Antient Borough and Town of Bedford, in Common Council assembled.

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, Bailiffs and Common Council of your Antient Borough and Town of Bedford, beg Leave to join the joyful Acclamations of our Fellow-Subjects, and to be permitted to lay our humble Tribute of Praise and Thankfulness at your Royal Feet, for the great Advantages derived to these Kingdoms from the numerous and signal Successes gained by your Majesty's Arms both on Sea and Land during the Course of this happy and ever-memorable Year. To the immortal Renown of many of your Majesty's Royal Predecessors, the Sovereigns and Subjects of surrounding States have often beheld the British Armies and Navies most gloriously triumphant over those of their Enemies; France, the hereditary and inveterate Foe of Britain, has, in particular, felt frequently the Force of her Prowess, and been compelled to submit to her superior Might. But at once to become Victors over her on every Quarter of the Globe within the Compass of one fruitful Year of Laurels, to be

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