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At the Court at St. James's, the 29th Day of December, 1759.

P R E S E N T,

The King's most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Proclamation of the 15th of May last, "For giving Encouragement to Seamen and able bodied Landmen to enter themselves on board His Majesty's Ships of War; for granting Rewards for discovering such Seamen as shall conceal themselves; for pardoning such Seamen as have deserted and shall return into the Service; and also for taking up all stragling Seamen," hath been prolonged and extended to the 31st of this Instant December; — And whereas it is judged expedient for His Majesty's Service, that the same should be continued for some Time longer—His Majesty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His privy Council, hereby Order that the said Time be prolonged and extended from the aforesaid 31st Day of this Instant December, to the 11th Day of February next; and that the Bounties and Rewards given and granted by His Majesty's aforementioned Proclamation, be continued to be paid until the said 11th Day of February next—Whereof all Persons concerned are to take Notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

W. Blair.

St. James's, January 5.

The following Address of the principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Cirencester, in the County of Gloucester, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable Lord Bathurst, 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 and unanimous Address of the principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Cirencester, in the County of Gloucester.

PERMIT us, most gracious Sovereign, though among the latest, not the least loyal and zealous of your People, humbly to congratulate your Majesty on those signal Successes, with which it hath pleased Providence to bless your Arms, and which have raised you to the Summit of human Glory. Such is the Multitude of your shining Conquests, we pretend not to recite them at large; your Acquisitions are so important, we attempt not to describe their Utility. Every Quarter of the Globe hath been a Witness, more or less, to the consummate Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils, the vigorous and happy Exertion of your Military Power, the Conduct and Spirit of your Officers, and the Intrepidity of your Forces, both by Sea and Land.

We beg Leave to recollect, in particular, the Victory obtained at Minden by your Majesty's Troops, led by that great Commander Prince Ferdinand of Brunswick; when a few of your brave Battalions routed, and, in your Example, a numerous Army, and covered France with indelible Disgrace. But of all the Exploits performed either in the present or in past Ages, there hath been none more worthy of Applause than the heroic Enterprize at Quebec; which was concerted with the most profound Skill, executed with amazing Valour, and remarkably favoured

by the Hand of Providence. And yet, even upon this joyful Occasion, 'tis difficult to refrain from Tears. Allow us to join most cordially with your Majesty, and with all our Fellow Subjects, in lamenting the accomplished Officer who commanded in that Expedition; who for Military Genius, public Virtue, and deliberate though daring Courage, was in the highest Clafs of Eminence; and fell in the Bloom of Life, covered with Laurels, a Victim for his Country. The other Leaders, both in the Sea and Land Service, justly share in the Fame of that great Action, particularly Admiral Saunders, and that excellent Patriot General Townshend, who was not to be restrained by all the Temptations of Wealth, nor by the most engaging domestic Ties, from hazarding his Life for the Public.

The late naval Victories, so much to the Honor of your Majesty's Admirals, and so seasonable for your Kingdoms, complete the Glories of this memorable Year, and deserve our most devout Acknowledgment. Notwithstanding some Disappointments which have befallen your renowned Ally the King of Prussia, his splendid Achievements are not to be remembered without Admiration, nor his singular Talents without a Hope that he may yet prove successful. May French Perfidy and Cruelty, may Austrian Ingratitude, may the Brutality of some other Nations, be properly rewarded; till our Commerce and Property are every where secured, the Protestant Interest more than ever respected, our Peace firmly and honorably established, and no farther Necessity remain of shedding even the Blood of Enemies. In the mean while, should France, so humbled by your Majesty's Arms, derive Courage from Despair, and make an Attempt upon these your Dominions, we shall be as forward as any of our Fellow-Subjects in demonstrating, that we think your Majesty's Person and Government, and our own Liberties and Possessions, worthy of the most resolute Defence.

We can't conclude, without grateful Acknowledgments to your Majesty, for the Preservation of those Rights and Privileges, which are peculiar to these Nations, and the Stability of which, under Providence, must depend on you and your Royal House. May your Majesty's Life and Glory be long continued; may you govern for many Years a loyal, unanimous and happy People; may your illustrious Descendants rule by your Maxims our latest Posterity; and thus, in the Influence of a truly Royal Example, May your Majesty live for ever!

The following Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Banbury, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable Lord North, their Representative 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.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Banbury in the County of Oxford,

Most humbly beg Leave to offer our sincerest Congratulations unto your Majesty, on the distinguished Successes with which the Divine Providence has been pleased to bless your Majesty's Arms within the Period of this glorious Year.

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