

To the Kings Most Excellent Majesty.

The Humble Address of His Excellency
Richard Earl of Bellomont, Your Majesties Governor,
and the Council & Representatives of Your People
in Your Majesties Province of *New-York*, Conven'd
in General Assembly.

May it Please Your Majesty;

WE Your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects convened in General Assembly, do esteem it Our chiefest Duty to lay at Your Royal Feet our Humble Thanks and Hearty Congratulations for Your Majesties Safe Return unto Your Kingdom of *ENGLAND*, after that your Majesty had Exposed Your Royal Person to many great Hazards for the Subduing the Enemy of *Christendom*, which by Your Auspicious Conduct and the Glorious Success of Your Arms, hath been effected to such a Degree, as to produce the Most Honourable and Most Advantageous *PEACE* that ever happened to the Christian Nations in *Europe*.

And though We, Your Majesties most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects are in one of the least Dominions Your Majesty Possesseth in Your Empire in *America*, yet We having more than a common share in the great Satisfaction which all Your Majesties Subjects express upon this Joyful Occasion, We cannot but esteem Our Selves peculiarly Happy in having so Victorious a Prince as Your Majesty, who by Your Unparalleled Valour hath brought so great Renown unto the *English Nation*, even to an height exceeding the Glory of any of Your Majesties Predecessors.

We must also with the greatest of Thankfulness acknowledge Your Majesty to be the Glorious and Only Instrument in the Delivering of Our Native Kingdom from *Popery* and *Arbitrary Power*, to which they were so much Exposed in the late Reign. And we are sensible that the Security and Safety of those Kingdoms, and Your Majesties Dominions depending thereon, do chiefly consist in the Long Life and Happy Reign of Your Majesty over Us. We therefore most Humbly beg Your Majesties Gracious Acceptance of these our Congratulations and Acknowledgments, which are offered to your Majesty with the purest of Dutiful Affection, which calls Us to give Your Majesty Assurance, That, under God, We do acknowledge all those Blessings We enjoy to be wholly owing to Your Most Sacred Majesty. So that we shall only Improve them to the Increase of Our Duty and Affection to Your Majesty, and Incessantly make Our Prayers and Supplications to the King of Kings for Your Majesties Long Life and Prosperous and Glorious Reign over Us.

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