Especially since GOD has for many Ages left off those extraordinary Appearances, which he vouchsafed to Mankind in the Infancy of the World, and of the *Jewish* State.

Thus Blessed and Happy are we at present, and far more than I am able to relate, in his Majesty now on the Throne. And, which is the greatest Increase and Perfection of all Happiness, we have now (GOD be praised for it, and continue it to us) a Prospect of having all these Mercies and Blessings continued long to us, and derived to our latest Posterity. For we are to Consider our selves Happy in a Prince and Princess, and a numerous Issue, as well as in a King. Whose Princely Virtues at present Adorn the Court and the Nation; In giving an Example of the greatest Filial Duty; Of the most entire Conjugal Affection; and the Greatest, the most Prudent, and most Tender Parental Care. In which they give us the greatest Assurance of being Happy, in GOD's appointed Time, under their Administration, as well as that of their Royal Progeny; And from whose Fruitful Loins we have yet reason to Hope for more and greater Assurances. Which is a greater Blessing than these Nations have ever had in View since the Days of King *James* the First: Nay, it is a better Prospect of Happiness than they then had; because the Prince of *Wales* was then Marrying, and at last Married to a Daughter of *France*, who was a Papist; From whom the Nation had reason to expect, (as indeed it then did) all that Confusion and Misery which it suffer'd, together with King *Charles* the First. Which I cannot but Observe, looks as if the Good GOD did design to make these Nations Happy, not by the Son, but by a Daughter of *James* the First. From whom it may be proper to tell you, that His Present Majesty is directly descended; and to whom he is just as nearly related, as our late Queen of Blessed Memory was: He being, as She was, the Great Grand-Child of King *James* I.