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*St. James's, November 11.*

**T**HE following humble Address of the Ministers and Elders met in the Provincial Synod of Angus and Mearns, having been transmitted to his Grace the Duke of Newcastle one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has by him been presented to His Majesty. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,  
*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E embrace this first Opportunity of our meeting together, to condole with your Majesty on the Death of your Royal Father, of glorious Memory, under whose auspicious Government we have enjoyed so many great and valuable Blessings, and of whose Royal Bounty, Countenance and Favour, we have had not a few signal Instances.

Deeply affected with this Loss, we adore the Providence of a wise and good God, who has raised your Majesty to the Throne of your Ancestors in so peaceful a Manner, and with that universal Joy which might justly be expected upon the Accession of a Prince, who is acknowledged to be the common Father of his People.

Nothing could so much alleviate our Grief for the Loss of so great a King, as the Succession of a Son, whose early Valour, prudent Counsels, and Love to the publick Good, render him so worthy to govern a free People; and whose known Attachment to the Protestant Cause endears him to all the sincere Lovers of true Religion and Liberty.

As we have a grateful Sense of the Goodness of Providence to us in advancing your Majesty's most illustrious Family to the Imperial Crown of these Realms, at a Time when all that was dear to us as Men and Christians had otherwise been in the greatest Danger; so we cannot but observe the Justice of the same All-wise Providence, in recompensing the Losses which your Royal Progenitors sustained by their firm Adherence to the Reform'd Interest.

With Pleasure we behold your Majesty blessed with a Royal Consort our gracious Queen, endued with such incomparable Princely Vertues, and uncommon Zeal to the Protestant Religion, as raise the Admiration, and command the Esteem of all who have any Sense of distinguished Merit.

This our Joy is increas'd by the Prospect of having these Blessings continued in your Majesty's Family, and your Royal Virtues transmitted with the Crown to your Posterity.

As we are inviolably attach'd to your Majesty's Family by Principle and Inclination; as the Preservation of our holy Religion, and all our Rights and Privileges, both sacred and Civil, do, under God, depend upon the Safety of your Majesty's Person, and Stability of your Government; so it shall ever be our Care to testify an unshaken Loyalty ourselves,

and to infill the same Sentiments into our People.

That Almighty God may bless your Majesty with a happy and prosperous Reign, and defeat the restless Attempts of the Enemies of your Government and our Happiness; That He may pour down his best Blessings upon your sacred Person, upon our gracious Queen, his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and all the Branches of your august Family; That He may prosper your great Designs for the Tranquility of Europe, and maintaining the Protestant Interest both at Home and Abroad; That you may long reign in the Hearts of your Subjects here, and at last exchange an earthly Crown for a Crown of Glory that fadeth not away, are the earnest Prayers of,

May it please your Majesty,

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

Sign'd in our Name, in our Presence, and at our Appointment, by

*John Couper, Moderator.*

*Dublin, October 21.*

Yesterday being His Majesty's Birth-Day, the great Guns were fired at the Barracks, and answered by Volleys from the Regiments on Duty which were drawn out on Oxmantown-Green. At Noon there was a splendid Appearance of the Nobility and other Persons of Distinction to compliment the Lords Justices, before whom a Song was performed; after which their Excellencies were entertained at Dinner at the Tholsel, and at Night there was a Play given by their Excellencies for the Entertainment of the Ladies.

*St. James's, November 7.*

This Day M. Schmittman, Resident from the Elector Palatine, had his first private Audience of her Royal Highness the Princess Royal, and her Royal Highness the Princess Carolina, to which he was introduced by Sir Clement Cottrell, Kt. Master of the Ceremonies.

*Whitehall, November 10.*

His Majesty has been pleased to appoint his Grace John Duke of Montagu, to be Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Warwick, and of the City and County of Coventry; as also to be Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Northampton.

His Grace Scroop Duke of Bridgewater to be Lord-Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Bucks.

The Right Honourable James Earl of Berkeley to be Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester, the City of Bristol and County of the same, and City of Gloucester and County of the same; as also to be Custos Rotulorum of the Counties of Gloucester and Surrey.

The Right Honourable Thomas Earl of Pembroke and Montgomery to be Lord-Lieutenant of the County of Wilts.

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