

an epoch in the history of this country which cannot fail to excite the liveliest emotions in the breast of every Scotsman.

After the lapse of many ages, the people of Scotland have the high satisfaction of seeing among them, and for the first time, a Sovereign of the House of Brunswick, whose dignified character and personal conduct in the government of the empire have secured the affection of all his subjects, and raised the British name to the highest estimation among the surrounding nations it has yet attained.

That your Majesty may long continue so glorious a reign, and that this country may enjoy, under the mild and paternal sway of your Majesty, the same happiness, and continue to possess the invaluable rights and privileges of the British constitution unimpaired, is our ardent wish and prayer.

Signed and sealed at the desire and in the name of the magistrates and council of the united boroughs.

RODCK. MACFARQUHAR, Provost.

At Fortrose, 5th August 1822.

[Transmitted by Colonel Mair, the Deputy-Governor of Fort-George.]

To his Most Excellent Majesty, King George the Fourth, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

The loyal and dutiful Address of the Provost, Magistrates, and Town-Council of the Royal Burgh of Forres.

*May it please your Majesty,*

We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Provost, Magistrates, and Town-Council of the royal burgh of Forres, beg leave, at this auspicious juncture, to approach the throne, with the expression of our sincere and ardent congratulations on the presence of your Majesty in the capital of your ancient Kingdom of Scotland.

Impressed with the fullest sense of the many benefits conferred upon our favoured country by your Majesty and your illustrious House, we hail with every fond anticipation this most gracious visit, which we humbly and dutifully hope will conduce no less to the personal satisfaction of your Majesty than to the pride and gratification of your faithful subjects.

That your Majesty may long reign in the hearts of an united and loyal people, and that, under your royal auspices, the British name may be exalted, and the happiness and prosperity of these Kingdoms promoted, we most earnestly pray.

Signed at Forres, this 15th day of August 1822, in our presence, and by our appointment, and the seal of the burgh is hereto annexed, by

WILLIAM GRANT, Provost.

[Transmitted by the Honourable Colonel Grant of Grant, M. P.]

To the KING.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

We, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the United Associate Presbytery of Edinburgh, beg leave to approach the throne, to express our most cordial congratulations on your Majesty's safe and propitious arrival in the capital of your ancient kingdom of Scotland.

In you, Sire, we behold, with the most heartfelt pleasure, the descendant of our Scottish Kings,—the legitimate successor to their ancient throne,—and the faithful guardian of the constitutional rights and privileges of all your Majesty's subjects.

We deem it a high honour to have this opportunity of acknowledging the share which we, as a religious body, have enjoyed in the blessings of

the auspicious reign of your Majesty, as well as that of your predecessors of the illustrious House of Brunswick, which has preserved to us inviolate both our civil and religious liberties. And we hasten to place in your Majesty's hands the solemn pledges of a faithful and inviolable attachment to your Majesty's person and government,—to which not only our inclination and interest, but our avowed principles, and the sacred ties of gratitude and of conscience, bind us.

In these expressions of our devoted attachment to your Majesty's person and government, we faithfully convey the sentiments and feelings of nearly three hundred ministers, settled throughout the kingdom, who compose, with their elders, the Synod of our United Secession Church, but who, from the want of sufficient time to convene them, according to our Presbyterian forms, are prevented, on the present emergency, from that personal expression of loyal attachment to your Majesty, which they would have accounted their honour, their duty, and their pleasure.

Before we retire from your Majesty's presence, permit us, with all humility, to express the satisfaction we feel in being the descendants of forefathers in the ministry, who, along with their people, during a troublesome period of the Scottish history, were the strenuous asserters and defenders, both in the pulpit and in the field, of the rightful claims of the illustrious House of Hanover, in opposition to the rival claims of another family. Nor shall we cease to inculcate the same loyal principles which animated them on all who shall place themselves within the sphere of our public ministrations, and of our private and personal influence.

May the God who giveth salvation to Kings preserve your Majesty in safety in all your excursions by sea and by land. May your Majesty continue to reign in the hearts of a free, an affectionate, and a loyal people. And may your Majesty, at a very late period, be advanced, through the merits and intercession of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to a throne of Glory in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment, at Edinburgh, this 6th day of August 1822 years.

JAMES HALL, Moderator.

[Transmitted by the Moderator.]

Unto his Most Excellent Majesty George the Fourth, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith.

*May it please your Majesty,*

We, your Majesty's faithful and loyal subjects, the Magistrates and Town-Council of your ancient Borough of Dunbar, in common Council assembled, humbly approach the throne, with hearts full of joy and delight, at your Majesty's presence in this your ancient kingdom of Scotland, to express our unvariable attachment to your Majesty's sacred person and government, and most ardent wish, that your Majesty may long fill the imperial throne of these kingdoms, in the full enjoyment of that devoted attachment, with which your Majesty's uniform benignity and exalted virtues have so universally inspired the minds of a loyal and an enlightened people.

Signed in our name and presence, and by our appointment, in the Council House of Dunbar, the 14th August 1822.

WILL. HUME, Provost.

[Transmitted by Chr. Middlemass, Esquire.]

Aberdeen, 6th August 1822.

To the KING'S Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

We, the Convener, Master of Hospital, Deacons,

and other Members of the Seven Incorporated Trades of Aberdeen, would approach your Majesty, and offer the expression of our sincere congratulation on your safe arrival in the capital of your ancient and loyal kingdom of Scotland.

Your Majesty has been the only Monarch who for a long series of years has been graciously pleased to take up your abode in the ancient Palace of a distinguished line of ancestors, and to favour this kingdom with your royal presence. We are, therefore, called on in a particular manner, along with our fellow-subjects in this part of the united kingdom, to express our gratitude for this distinguished honour conferred on our native land.

Scotland will long remember the happy day when your Majesty set a foot on her shores, and gratified her loyal and faithful inhabitants by the presence of their illustrious Sovereign.

We rejoice at the opportunity afforded us of manifesting our respectful attachment to your Majesty's sacred person in our native land; and earnestly pray, that length of days and health in abundance may be granted, to enable your Majesty again and again to repeat a visit to your ancient kingdom.

Signed in name and by appointment of the Seven Incorporated Trades of Aberdeen, in common Hall assembled.

A. HARPER, Convener.

[Transmitted by the Convener.]

*May it please your Majesty,*

We, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Provost, Magistrates, and Town-Councillors of the Royal and very ancient Burgh of Inverkeithing, assembled in a special Council, beg leave to approach your Majesty's throne with the assurances of our unalterable attachment to your Majesty's sacred person, and to your illustrious family and government.

We embrace with heartfelt joy the opportunity afforded to us by your Majesty's presence in this part of Great Britain, to offer our cordial and heartfelt congratulations to your Majesty on your arrival in the capital of your ancient kingdom of Scotland; and to express our earnest wish, that your Majesty's reign may be long, prosperous, and happy, over a loyal, free, and united people.

Signed in name, and by appointment, of the Magistrates and Town-Council of Inverkeithing.

JA. STUART, Provost.

[Transmitted by the Provost.]

To the KING'S Most Excellent Majesty;

The dutiful and loyal Address of the Presbytery of Stranraer.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

We, your Majesty's faithful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbytery of Stranraer, beg leave most respectfully to approach your Majesty with our heartfelt congratulations upon the auspicious occasion of your arrival in this part of your dominions.

We humbly hope that we may be permitted to join with the unanimous voice of our countrymen, in expressing the pleasure and the pride which we feel, when we know that the ancient metropolis of our country, and the ancient residence of her Kings, are honoured with the presence of a Sovereign, whose person is endeared to his subjects by many great and amiable qualities,—a Sovereign of that illustrious family, whose accession to the British Throne has been accompanied with many signal advantages to the people of Scotland; and we rejoice in the persuasion, that the feelings of loyalty with which it has ever been the honour of your Scottish Subjects to regard your Ma-