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ST JAMES'S, Feb. 8.

This day the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Common Council of the city of London, waited upon his Majesty (being introduced by the Marquis of Salisbury, Lord Chamberlain of his Majesty's Household) with the following Address, which was read by Sir John William Rose, the Recorder.

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

The humble Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the City of London, in Common Council assembled.

May it please your Majesty,

We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London, in Common Council assembled, humbly beg leave to approach the Throne, with the sincerest expressions of gratitude to your Majesty, for the repeated proofs of your Majesty's increasing solicitude for the general interests and prosperity of these realms; and for your Majesty's anxious and constant concern for the safety and happiness of your subjects; and, more especially, to offer our unfeigned thanks to your Majesty, for your most gracious and benign wish to restore the invaluable blessings of peace to this country, and her allies, incontrovertibly proved by your Majesty's endeavours to promote and establish a negotiation for that purpose. Whilst we express our deepest regret that your Majesty's sincere desire of effecting the restoration of a general peace, on principles essential to the interest of your kingdoms, and the permanent tranquillity of Europe, has been rendered ineffectual from the unreasonable pretensions of the enemy, and the abrupt and haughty dismissal of your Majesty's Ambassador, we eagerly encourage and cherish the consolatory reflection, that every means consistent with the dignity and honour of your Majesty's Crown, and welfare of your dominions, have been exerted to terminate the calamities of war. Your faithful citizens earnestly entreat your Majesty to place the firmest reliance on the zeal and loyalty of this Corporation, for every prompt and vigorous support its resources may be capable of, in prosecuting a just and unavoidable war, the continuance of which can only be imputed to the inordinate ambition and tyrannical views of an enemy, who presumptuously aim at the general overthrow of the liberties of Europe, but more

particularly meditate the destruction of this country, and the subversion of its Constitution. Relying on Divine Providence for protection, we still confidently hope, that the unanimity of a loyal and public spirited people, added to the efforts of the tried ardour and valour of your Majesty's fleets and armies, may, under the guidance of your Majesty's vigilant and firm Councils, not only successfully oppose, and render ruinous to themselves, any rash attempt on the part of the enemy to invade these kingdoms, but also enable your Majesty to vindicate the honour, and assert the rights of the British Empire, in the ultimate establishment of peace upon just and reasonable terms.

Signed by order of the Court,

WILLIAM RIX.

To which Address his Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer:

I thank you for this dutiful and loyal Address: The fresh assurances which my City of London has given me on this occasion of its support in the vigorous prosecution of a War, which the failure of my endeavours for the restoration of Peace on just and honourable terms, has rendered necessary, cannot but be highly satisfactory to me; and I trust with confidence, that, by the blessing of the Divine Providence on the justice of my cause, and the united efforts of my loyal subjects, I shall finally be enabled to establish the peace, honour, and happiness of my kingdoms, on a firm and lasting basis.

They were all received very graciously, and had the honour to kiss his Majesty's hand.

LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, Feb. 9.

Orders for the Court's going into Mourning on Sunday next, the 12th instant, for the late Queen Dowager of Prussia, viz.

The Ladies to wear black silk, fringed or plain linen, white gloves, necklaces and ear-rings, black or white shoes, fans and tippets.

Undress, white or grey lutefrings, tabbies or damasks.

The Gentlemen to wear black full trimmed, fringed or plain linen, black swords or buckles.

Undress, grey frocks.

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