

humbly beg Leave to express our Sentiments of Sympathy and Condolence upon the Loss these Kingdoms have sustained in the Death of your Majesty's Grandfather our late most excellent Sovereign: His Royal Virtues, his mild and benign Government, his constant Care of our Laws and Liberties, demand our warmest and most grateful Acknowledgements.

Such a Loss could only be repaired by the Blessing Providence has bestowed upon us in the Person of your Majesty. Permit us then, Sir, to offer you our sincerest Congratulations upon your happy Accession to the Throne of these Realms; and to assure your Majesty of our warmest Zeal, and firmest Attachment, to your Person and Government. The auspicious Beginning of your Reign, those innate and manly Virtues which have displayed themselves in the Dawn of your Majesty's Life, give us the greatest Assurances of their Continuance, and of their shining forth in that Meridian of Glory and Felicity, which so long distinguished, and at length happily closed the Days of your illustrious Predecessor.

May that Country which your Majesty has honoured with the Name of your Native Country be long distinguished as the Land of Liberty. May your Majesty long Reign in the Hearts of a free and happy People; the Protector of their Liberties, the Supporter of their Rights, the Author of their Happiness and Security.

Signed in Presence of the Meeting, by  
*William Croffe, Sheriff Depute, Preses.*

The following Address of the Vyanders and Principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Newport, has been presented to His Majesty by Richard Bull, Esq; and Colonel Lee, their Representatives in Parliament, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E the Vyanders and Principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Newport in the County of Cornwall, with the utmost Humility beg Leave to approach your Royal Person, and to assure your Majesty, that we most sincerely sympathize with you in all the Accidents of Grief and Pleasure. The Death of your Royal Grandfather would have been an irretrievable Loss to us, had it not been providentially repaired by the Virtues so conspicuous in His Successor.

The utmost of human Wishes can extend no farther than to Ease, Wealth, and Liberty. What Hopes of Happiness then may we not entertain, when we see your Majesty asserting and maintaining our Rights and Properties in the first Acts and Expressions of your Power? Happy must be the Prince that reigns in the Hearts of His People; and happy the People that can always find Redress in the Person of their Sovereign. It is you, Great Sir, that, under Providence, must hold forth the Blessings of Life to us; and it is to you we shall cheerfully pay all the Obedience required from the most grateful and loyal Subjects.

The following Address of the Mayors, Bayliffs, Portreeves, Aldermen, Capital Burgeses and Burgeses of the Buroughs and Corporations of Cardiff, Cowbridge, Lantrissant, Swansea, Loughour, Neath, Aberavon and Kenfig, has been presented to His Majesty by Herbert Mackworth, Esq; their Representative in Parliament, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-Chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayors, Bayliffs, Portreeves, Aldermen, Capital Burgeses and Burgeses of the several and ancient Buroughs and Corporations of Cardiff, Cowbridge, Lantrissant, Swansea, Loughour, Neath, Aberavon, and Kenfig, in the County of Glamorgan, and Dominion of Wales;

Humbly beg Leave to present our united Con-

dolence on the sudden and much lamented Loss of our late most gracious Sovereign: A Calamity, that has filled your Royal Breast with so just a Concern, must equally affect the Hearts of your Subjects.

Yet with due Resignation to the Will of Heaven, we cannot but thankfully acknowledge the Goodness of the Divine Providence, that has been graciously pleased to make the Subject of our Affliction the Source of our Joy, by blessing us with a Successor, who glories in the Name of Briton; a Prince born and educated amongst us, accustomed to our Language and Manners, to an early Regard and Affection for our Laws and Liberties, with a Disposition naturally amiable, happily formed, and carefully cultivated, (under the Direction and Inspection of a most excellent and accomplished Princess) to give us the most encouraging and pleasing Assurances of His inheriting not the Dominions only, but all the Virtues of His most Illustrious Ancestors.

We presume therefore, under the peculiar Distinction of having been Subjects of your Principality, before we became so to your Royal Majesty, (which gratifies our Pride, as it animates our Zeal) to join in the general and unanimous Voice of Congratulation on your Majesty's joyful and auspicious Accession to the Imperial Throne of these united Kingdoms; most devoutly imploring the Divine Blessing and Assistance on the Wisdom of your Councils, the Uprightness of your Intentions, and the Firmness of your Resolutions, that you may attain, and long very long enjoy, the perfect Completion of your own Happiness; the truly Glorious and Royal Object of our own Wishes; the Peace, Welfare, and Prosperity of a loyal, a dutiful, an affectionate, and a happy People.

*Whitehall, January 20.*

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Sir John Evelyn, Bart. Richard Cavendish, Beaumont Hotham, Samuel Mead, William Levinz, Edward Hooper, Thomas Tash, Claudius Amyand, and Henry Pelham, Esqrs. to be Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs within that Part of Great Britain called England.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint William Burton, John Orlebar, Augustine Earle, John Wyndham Bowyer, Frederick Frankland, David Papillon the Younger, William Cayley, George Lewis Scott, and Henry Poole, Esqrs. to be His Majesty's Commissioners of Excise, within England, Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint Edward Afley, Henry Talbot, Joshua Churchill, John Milbanke, and Denzil Onslow, Esqrs. to be His Majesty's Commissioners for the Receipt and Management of the Duties on Salt.

The King has been pleased to constitute and appoint John Cookson, Thomas Bond, John Soley the Younger, Thomas Nuthall and Richard Capper, Esqrs. to be His Majesty's Commissioners for Licensing Hackney Coaches and Chairs.

The King has been pleased to grant unto William Mellish, Esq; the Office of Receiver General of His Majesty's Customs, Subsidies and other Duties, for that Part of Great Britain called England.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Edward Finch, Esq; the Office or Offices of Keeper of His Majesty's private Roads, in the room of Sir Henry Erskine, Bart.

*Admiralty-Office, January 20.*

His Majesty's Ship the Venus, of 36 Guns and 240 Men, commanded by Capt. Harrison, arrived the 16th Instant at Plymouth, and brought in with her the Brune, a French Frigate of 32 Guns and 316 Men, and a French Privatier of St. Maloes, of 6 Carriage and 6 Swivel Guns, and 39 Men. The Venus was in Company with the Juno, of 32 Guns, and 220 Men, commanded by Capt. Phillips, when they fell in with the Brune, on the 10th Instant, 50 Leagues to the Westward of Scilly: After a Chace of some Hours, the Venus came up with her, and engaged her upwards of two Hours, when the Juno coming up, and firing a few Guns, the Brune struck.

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