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St. James's, April 6.

THIS Day at Noon, the following Congratulatory Address of the University of Oxford, on the Conclusion of the Peace, was presented to His Majesty by the Right Honorable the Earl of Litchfield their Chancellor, introduced by his Grace the Duke of Marlborough, Lord Chamberlain; and attended by the Reverend Dr. Niblett, Warden of All Souls College, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, and the following Noblemen and Gentlemen, who were formerly, or are at present, Members of the University, in their respective Academical Habits, viz. His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury; the Dukes of Queensberry and Leeds; Earl Talbot, Lord Steward of the Household; the Earls of Huntingdon, Suffolk, Peterborough, Cork, Shaftesbury, Anglesey, Oxford, Bath, and Guildford; the Lords Charles and Robert Spencer; the Viscounts Say and Sele, Stormont, Folkestone, and Beauchamp; the Bishops of Durham, Hereford, Worcester, Bangor, Oxford, Carlisle, Exeter, Kildare, and Clonfert; the Lords Willoughby de Broke, Leigh, Sandys, Bruce, Archer, Mansfield, Lyttelton, and Scarfale; the Right Honorable Sir Francis Dashwood, Bart. Chancellor of the Exchequer; the Right Honorable Sir John Phillips, Bart.; the Honorable and Reverend Mr. Bruce, the Honorable and Reverend Dr. Talbot, the Honorable Mr. Bouverie, Mr. Ward, Mr. Marham, and Mr. Lyttelton; Sir Walter Bagot, and Sir Richard Newdigate, Barts. Members for the University; Sir Charles Mordaunt, Sir Charles Kemys Tynte, Sir Robert Burdett, Sir Thomas Worley, Sir Thomas Robinson, Sir Frank Standish, and Sir Richard Glynn, Barts.; Sir John Gibbons, Knight of the Bath; Sir Septimus Robinson, Usher of the Black Rod; with several Members of Parliament; a great Number of Doctors in all Faculties; and Masters of Arts; amounting in the Whole to upwards of Two Hundred.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most faithful and loyal Subjects, the Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of your University of Oxford, humbly beg Leave to approach your Royal Presence with our most sincere and cordial Congratulations on this happy Occasion. Under your Majesty's most auspicious Administration each Year seems with new Blessings, and each Year calls upon us to present unto your Majesty our just Tribute of dutiful Acknowledgments.

Your Majesty, on your Accession to the Throne of these Kingdoms, found the Nation involved in a necessary, but expensive and destructive, War; and your first Care hath been to ease your Subjects from this Burthen, and restore to them the Blessings of Peace. Your Majesty's prudent and vigorous Measures have compelled the Enemy to accept of reasonable Terms of Accommodation, and happily put an End to a Glorious and Successful War, by a most Advantageous and Honourable Peace.

We have likewise the further Satisfaction, through your Majesty's wise Counsels and Negotiations, to see this Blessing become General; and all Christendom, which had long groaned under the Calamities of War, enjoying the Benefits of Quiet and Repose.

Such an Event, however extensively beneficial and universally interesting, is in a more particular Manner favourable to Nurseries of Religion and Learning: That Religion, whose peculiar Characteristick is Peace and Benevolence; those Arts and Sciences, which chiefly delight in Peace, and always flourish most in Times of publick Tranquillity.

Permit us, Dread Sir, on this joyful Occasion, to give the strongest Assurances of our inviolable Attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government: And we promise ourselves all Happiness and Prosperity under your Majesty's mild and impartial Administration, by being in Peace with the neighbouring Kingdoms, and at Unity among ourselves. That your Majesty may enjoy a long and happy Reign; that the Blessings of Peace may attend it, and the Arts of Peace adorn it, is the ardent Wish and earnest Prayer of your ever grateful and loyal University.

Given at our House of Convocation, this Thirty-first Day of March, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and sixty three.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer.

IT is highly acceptable to Me to receive these your warm Congratulations on the Re-establishment of the Public Tranquillity; an Event so interesting to Humanity, so peculiarly connected with the Advancement of Religion, and the Improvement of Letters. Your zealous and unwearied Attention to these great and important Objects of your Care and Duty, justly entitle you to My Countenance and constant Protection.

They were all most graciously received; and had the Honour of kissing His Majesty's Hand.

The following Address of the High Sheriff, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy and Freeholders of the County of Stafford, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Hon. Lord Grey, and William Bagot, Esq; 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,

PERMIT us, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Sheriff, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy and Freeholders of your County of Stafford, to present to your Majesty our most humble and sincere Congratulations on the Return of Peace.

Glorious as our Conquests must appear, which, under God, have been effected by the Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils, the Conduct of your Generals, and intrepid Valour of your Forces, unparalleled by these or other Kingdoms in any Period of Time, we must have been destitute of Humanity (that Characteristic of Bravery) had we not felt very sensibly for the Sufferings and Calamities which so long and extensive a War hath inevitably occasioned.

We rejoice therefore most sincerely with your Majesty, that through your humane and wise Endeavours (unrestrained by so many increasing Difficulties) a Stop is now put to the Effusion of human Blood; that you have so successfully prosecuted this extended War in the most vigorous and effectual Manner, and brought your Enemies to such just and Honourable Terms (now improved and perfected) as must ever rebound to your Majesty's Glory, and to the Satisfaction and Advantage of your Kingdoms.

The great Acquisitions now secured to us, the firm Foundation laid by your Majesty's Wisdom for the Increase of Trade and Commerce to these Kingdoms, together with your gracious Recommendation from the Throne, of such Measures as can alone support us in our present Height of Glory, render it an indispensable Duty to offer this Testimony of our warmest Gratitude; and it is our earnest Wish and Prayer to Almighty God, that your Majesty may