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St. James's, May 7, 1778.

THE King and Queen set out on the 2d Instant at Six in the Morning from the Queen's House, and arrived at Portsmouth about Three Quarters past Twelve, when they were saluted by all the Guns round the Works, and the Garrison.

Their Majesties got to the Commissioner's House about One o'Clock, escorted by a Party of the Third or Queen's Regiment of Dragoon Guards. His Majesty was attended by the Marquis of Louthian, Gold Stick in Waiting; the Honourable Colonels St. John and Harcourt, Two of His Aid de Camps; and Lieutenant-General Carpenter, His Equerry in Waiting: And Her Majesty by the Marquis of Carmarthen, Lord Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Household; and the Countess of Egremont, One of the Ladies of Her Bed-chamber. The Standard was immediately hoisted in the Dock-yard, and the Workmen assembled, and gave Their Majesties several Cheers as they passed. Their Majesties were received at the Door of the Commissioner's House by the Earl of Sandwich, Lord Amherst, Lieutenant-General Monckton, the Commissioners of the Navy, and the Commissioner and Officers of the Yard. His Majesty left the House at Half past Five o'Clock in the Afternoon, to visit the Yard; walked through the Deal-yard; viewed the Warriour of Seventy four Guns, building; passed the Stern of the Marlborough of Seventy four Guns, in Dock repairing; viewed the Lyon and Vigilant of Sixty-four Guns in the Basin, and the Centaur of Seventy-four Guns, all fitting for Sea. Several of the Artificers were assembled, and sang in full Chorus the Songs of *God save the King, Fame let thy Trumpet sound, and Britons strike home*: After which they gave His Majesty Three Cheers. His Majesty then looked at the Fox of Twenty-eight Guns, preparing to be sheathed with Copper; passed the Stern of the Burford of Seventy Guns, in the Dock refitting; viewed the Reservoir, and the Works in the Boat-house Channel; then proceeded to the New Ground, where the St. George of Ninety Guns was building, also the Leopard of Fifty Guns on a new Slip. The Company of the Resolution of Seventy-four Guns, which lay opposite, gave Three Cheers as His Majesty passed. His Majesty saw the Crocodile and Eurydice of Twenty-four Guns each, building; He then went into the Smith's Shop, where the Men were employed on a large Anchor; then into the Boat houses; and returned to the Commissioner's House about Seven o'Clock.

Sunday, May 3. At Ten o'Clock Their Majesties went to the Garrison Chapel, where They heard Divine Service, and a Sermon preached by the Reverend Mr. Cuthbert. After which Their Majesties had a Public Levee at the Governor's House, and were waited on by the Mayor, Aldermen, and Corporation of Portsmouth; and the Recorder first addressed His Majesty in the following Words:

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most faithful Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgeses of Portsmouth, beg Leave at this critical Conjunction to tender our Sentiments of Duty and Affection to

your Majesty, and our inviolable Attachment to our free and happy Constitution. Anxious for the Glory of your Majesty's Reign, and for the Prosperity of every Part of your Dominions, we observe with the deepest Concern the Progress of the present dangerous and alarming Troubles in America. We therefore most humbly implore your Majesty, graciously to permit us to express our most fervent Hopes, that Providence will grant Success to your Endeavours for effecting a speedy Restoration of Peace and Tranquility; and that You may enjoy a long and prosperous Reign over a free and happy People.

This Address was very graciously received by His Majesty.

They were afterwards introduced to the Queen, and addressed Her Majesty in the following Words:

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Burgeses of Portsmouth.

WE, your Majesty's most faithful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Burgeses of Portsmouth, embrace with great Joy and Satisfaction this happy Opportunity of expressing our Zeal and Affection to your Majesty's Person, and our Gratitude for the Honour your Majesty has done this Place by your Presence.

The Pleasure, Madam, we feel upon this Occasion is greatly increased, when we reflect that we are paying our Duty to a Princess, whose Virtues adorn her Sex, and whose Example, we hope, will be productive of much public and private Happiness in these Kingdoms.

It is our sincere Prayer, Madam, that your Majesty may long continue to be the Ornament and Delight of this Country; and that the Throne of Britain may be filled by your Royal Progeny to the latest Posterity.

Her Majesty was pleased to receive this Address with the greatest Affability and Condescension. The Mayor, Aldermen, Recorder, and Corporation, had then the Honour of kissing Their Majesties Hands. The Admirals and Captains of the Fleet, and the Officers of the Army, were presented at the Levee, were graciously received, and had the Honour to kiss Their Majesties Hands; as were a very great Number of the Nobility and Gentry of the Neighbourhood, and from other Parts.

Monday, May 4. The King left the Yard at Seven this Morning, and went to the Gun-wharf; viewed the Ordnance Stores, and Store-houses; and returned to the Yard about Eight o'Clock. At a Quarter past Nine, the Queen went in the Barge to the Yacht, which lay Half-way to Spithead, attended by the Countess of Egremont, the Earl of Sandwich, and the Marquis of Carmarthen. The Barge was preceded by Admiral Pye with his Flag flying, and followed by the other Admirals and Captains in their Boats, drawn up in Four regular Lines, amounting to Fifty Boats. The Sandwich, of Ninety Guns, Elizabeth, Cumberland and Berwick, of Seventy-four Guns each, and Pallas of Thirty six in Harbour, manned Ships, and gave Her Majesty Three Cheers as the Barge passed. On getting