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St. James's, June 2.

THE following Address of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, having been transmitted to the Lord Viscount Stormont, One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, by the Earl of Dalhousie, His Majesty's High Commissioner, has been presented to the King: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Ministers and Elders met in the National Assembly of the Church of Scotland, humbly beg Leave to approach your Throne, to express our firm Attachment to your Person and Government; and to assure you, that the Sentiments which we entertain are the Sentiments of the People committed by Providence to our Charge.

With the most lively Joy and Heart-felt Satisfaction we have beheld the Increase of your Majesty's Family in your Royal Offspring; an Event, which, while it contributes to your Majesty's domestic Felicity, must, on that Account, give Pleasure to all your loyal Subjects, but which, in a particular Manner, must be felt as of the utmost National Importance, by encouraging us to hope for a long Continuance of those Civil and Religious Blessings, which, as British Subjects and Protestants, we have hitherto enjoyed under the Government of your Illustrious House.

The tumultuous Outrages which, under the Mask of Religious Zeal, have disturbed the Peace of your Majesty's Subjects, filled us with the deepest Concern; and we heard with Abhorrence the Name of our Holy Faith prostituted to encourage Acts of Violence, which were adverse to its Principles, and forbidden by the Precepts of our Blessed Redeemer.

While your Majesty was engaged in a necessary though expensive War against the ancient Enemies of these Realms, and against your own Rebellious Subjects, in Support of the Honor, Dignity, and just Prerogatives of your Crown, we have seen with Indignation your ancient Allies, who ought to have been united to your Majesty by the closest Ties of Religion, Civil Interest, and Gratitude, not only refusing to supply your Majesty with such Succours as by Treaty they were bound to give, but even affording their Assistance to your Enemies, to enable them the more effectually to pursue hostile Measures against your Majesty. We rejoice in the Success which it hath already pleased the Almighty to bestow upon your Arms in chastising their Perfidy; we indulge the Hope that this Success may be a Mean of opening their Eyes, and of renewing the Friendship which, to the mutual Advantage of both Nations, so long subsisted between Great Britain and the States of Holland: And we confide in the Wisdom of your Majesty's Councils, under the Divine Providence, for bringing the present bloody and destructive War to a happy Issue.

[Price Seven Pence.]

In the mean Time, we consider it to be our peculiar Duty, at this Juncture, to cherish the Loyalty and Affection to your Majesty, and the Zeal for the Success of your Arms, which prevails among all Ranks in this Part of your Dominions; and to impress those over whom we have Influence with a due Sense of the Blessings they enjoy under your Majesty's Government, and of those Duties of Charity and Brotherly Love which they owe to each other, and to their Fellow Christians.

That the Lord of Hosts may go forth with your Fleets and Armies; that He may crown your Arms with Victory; and that your Majesty may long reign over a free, happy, and united People, is the sincere and ardent Prayer of,

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most faithful, most obedient, and most loyal Subjects,

The Ministers and Elders met in this National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Signed in our Name, in our Presence, and at our Appointment, by

William Dalrymple, Moderator.

Edinburgh,

May 26, 1781.

AT the Court at St. James's, the 23d of May, 1781,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council:

WHEREAS the Time limited by His Majesty's Order in Council of the 16th of February last, for prohibiting the Exporting out of this Kingdom, or carrying Coastwise, Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, will expire this Day: And whereas it is judged expedient that the said Prohibition should be continued for some Time longer, except in those Cases where (for the Benefit and Advantage of Trade, and for the Use and Defence of Ships trading to Foreign Parts, and of the Transports and Victualling Vessels employed in His Majesty's Service) His Majesty, by His several Orders in Council of the 13th and 27th of October, and of the 6th and 22d of November, 1775, of the 5th and 19th of February, and the 23d of August and 25th of September, 1776, of the 16th of April, the 13th of August, and the 3d and 10th of October, 1777, of the 19th of June, the 7th and 26th of August, and the 10th of September, 1778, and of the 17th of May, 1780, has thought proper to permit and allow the Exportation of; and carrying Coastwise, Gunpowder, Saltpetre, Arms and Ammunition, under certain Conditions and Restrictions mentioned in the said Orders: His Majesty doth therefore, by

