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Whitehall, December 4.

THIS Day at Noon one of His Majesty's Messengers, dispatched by the Right Honourable Alleyne Fitz-Herbert, His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at the Court of Spain, arrived at the Office of his Grace the Duke of Leeds, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, with the Catholic King's Ratification of the Convention, signed the 28th of October last, for terminating the Differences which had arisen with that Court; which was exchanged with Mr. Fitz-Herbert against His Majesty's Ratification, on the 22d of November last, at the Palace of the Escorial, by His Catholic Majesty's Minister.

St. James's, December 3.

THE following Address of the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy, of the Province of Canterbury, in Convocation assembled, was this Day presented to His Majesty by His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy, of the Province of Canterbury, in Convocation assembled, embrace, with the greatest Satisfaction, this Opportunity of renewing our humble Assurances of Duty, and the most respectful and affectionate Attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government.

We humbly beg Leave, Sir, to express the Share we take in the general Concern for the Loss which your Majesty and your Royal Family have suffered by the Death of his late Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, a Prince whose Benevolence and amiable Qualities will be long remembered.

We should be unmindful of our Character, as Ministers of the Gospel of Peace, if we did not

congratulate your Majesty, with the sincerest Pleasure, on the Success of your wife and Christian Exertions to prevent the Horrors of War, and to secure at the same Time the Rights of your Subjects, and their Enjoyment of those Advantages, which an active and industrious People will always derive from the Continuance of Publick Tranquillity. It is with the deepest Sense of Gratitude, Sir, that we repeat our warmest Thanks to your Majesty, for your paternal and constant Support of the Church of England, which, we trust, it will ever continue to deserve, by the Purity of its Faith and Worship, by the good Lives and sound Doctrine of its Ministers, and by their unwearied Endeavours to promote the Interests of true Religion and Virtue among all their Fellow-Subjects, so far as their Influence may extend.

Permit us to assure your Majesty, that while we gratefully acknowledge the inestimable Blessings which we enjoy under your Majesty's Government, and which are equally diffused through every Part of the British Empire, we put up our fervent Prayers to Almighty God for the long Continuance of your invaluable Life and Health, for the Prosperity of your Kingdoms, the Happiness of your Royal Family, and of all your People.

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

I Receive, with the greatest Satisfaction, this dutiful and loyal Address. Your Concern at the Loss which I have sustained in My Family is a fresh Proof of your Attachment to Me.

Your Congratulations on the Maintenance of Peace, and on the Success of the Measures which I have pursued for the Protection and Security of My Subjects, are highly acceptable to Me. I have no Doubt of your steady and uniform Exertions to promote, among all Classes of My People, the genuine Sentiments of Religion and Virtue, and a just Sense of the peculiar Favour of Providence in continuing to these Kingdoms the many Blessings which we now enjoy.