

reside to Lord Hood, Sir Gilbert Elliot, Baronet, and to myself, a Commission, which was lately delivered to us, under the Great Seal of England.

By this Commission we are authorized to act, in His Majesty's Name, in the Direction of the Affairs and Civil Interests of Toulon, as also of all other Places and Districts in France, which may be occupied by His Majesty's Arms, or come into His Possession; and there to provide for the Establishment of good Order and of a regular Government, for the impartial Administration of Justice, and the Protection of Persons and Property.

These, Gentlemen, are the Powers, immediately relative to the Affairs and Concerns of Toulon, with which His Majesty has been pleased to intrust us, and which we have thought proper to impart to you. I will not add any Thing respecting the honorable Intentions and generous Dispositions of His Majesty, because they will be more particularly and more satisfactorily explained to you by a DECLARATION, which, by His Order, we shall address to the Inhabitants of Toulon, and publish in His Name. I shall now conclude by reading it to you.

#### DECLARATION of the KING.

WE the undersigned, Commissioners Plenipotentiary of His Majesty the King of Great Britain, do hereby publish, by His Orders and in His Name, the following Declaration.

HIS Britannic Majesty having been informed of the Circumstances under which the Town, Harbour, and Ports of Toulon, and the Ships in the said Harbour, have been intrusted to Vice-Admiral Lord Hood, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean, and of the Declaration and Proclamations published by the said Vice-Admiral, as well as of the Declaration made to him on the Part of the Inhabitants and People of Toulon, has thought fit, for the further Satisfaction of the said Inhabitants and People; and for the full Explanation of His Royal Intentions, to declare as follows.

I. When Monarchy shall be restored in France, and a Treaty of Peace concluded, stipulating, in Favor of His Majesty and His Allies, the Restitution of all Conquests made by France during the War, and a just Indemnification for the Losses and Expences thereby incurred, and a proper Security for the future, His Majesty will cause the Town, Ports, and Harbour of Toulon, together with the Ships and Stores therein, to be restored, according to the Engagement entered into by the said Vice-Admiral.

II. His Majesty has given Directions that the most effectual Measures shall be taken for the Protection of the Persons and Property of the Inhabitants of the said Town, and for procuring them the Supplies of Provisions and other Articles of which they may stand in Need; and His Majesty is also graciously pleased to approve of continuing all Persons who held Civil or Military Employments in their respective Places and Occupations, as far as Circumstances and the Good of the Common Cause will permit.

III. His Majesty will do every Thing in His Power, and in Concert with His Allies, to repel any Attacks which may be made against Toulon, and to extend His Protection to all those who may be desirable to have Recourse to it, under certain Conditions.

IV. His Majesty sincerely wishes the Happiness of France, but by no Means desires, on this Account, to prescribe any particular Form of Government. The King claims the Right of taking a Part, only because the Anarchy which now desolates that Country threatens the Tranquillity of His own Subjects and that of the other Powers of Europe, whose Safety and

Peace materially depend on the Re-establishment of Order in France, and of a regular System, which may hold out to them a secure Ground of Negotiation and Friendship: And His Majesty does not hesitate to declare, that the Re-establishment of Monarchy, in the Person of Louis XVII. and the lawful Heirs of the Crown, appears to Him the best Mode of accomplishing these just and salutary Views. This Form of Government has not only prevailed in France from the earliest Times, but, being capable of such Limitations as may suit the respective Circumstances of different Nations, has been proved by Experience to be the best adapted, in great Countries, to unite the Advantages of Security and Order with real Liberty.

Such a System, subject to such Modifications as may hereafter be made therein in a regular and legal Manner, when Tranquillity shall have been restored in France, would afford to His Majesty the best and most pleasing Prospect of terminating the Evils and Miseries now endured by the French Nation, and of the Renewal of a regular and amicable Intercourse between that Country and other States.

It is to these great Ends that His Majesty's Measures will be directed; and His Protection and Assistance will be extended, as far as Circumstances will admit, to all those who manifest their Desire to concur in so salutary a Work.

(Signed)

HOOD.

GILBERT ELLIOT.

CHARLES O'HARA.

*Whitehall, December 24.*

ON Monday the 8th of July last the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Upper Canada waited on his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he would be pleased to transmit the following Addresses to His Majesty.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Legislative Council of the Province of Upper Canada.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Legislative Council of your Province of Upper Canada, in Legislature assembled, most humbly presume to express our unfeigned Attachment to your Majesty in the present Situation of Public Affairs.

It is with Astonishment and Grief we have marked the Progress of that unruly Spirit of Innovation and Turbulence, which has actuated the Conduct of a prevailing Party in France.

The Introduction of a Reform of Government, mutually accepted, and sanctioned by the most solemn Obligations, seems to have been the Signal for unfixing established Opinions, and bringing forward those delusive Projects, which in all Ages have been held out to the Multitude by their insidious Leaders; for affording Pretences to a Party, who, having propagated their Sentiments by Assassination and Slaughter, and familiarized their Nation to Scenes of Horror, have finally led them to the Murder of a mild and benevolent Sovereign.

With Scorn and Indignation we have heard of Attempts to introduce the same levelling Spirit, and to justify these atrocious Measures, in Great Britain and Ireland. And we beg Leave to assure your Majesty, that the prompt and zealous Exertions of our Fellow Subjects at Home, in resisting these wild Encroachments, produced Emotions of most grateful Sympathy among the loyal Inhabitants of this remote Province.

The Impulse of British Resentment against such Attempts has, we doubt not, been communicated to

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