

of the Sixteen Peers so elected, and sign and attest the same, in the Presence of the said Peers the Electors; and return such Certificate into Our High Court of Chancery of Great Britain. And We do, by this Our Proclamation, strictly command and require the Provost of Edinburgh, and all other the Magistrates of the said City, to take especial Care to preserve the Peace thereof during the Time of the said Election; and to prevent all Manner of Riots, Tumults, Disorders and Violence whatsoever. And We strictly charge and command, that this Our Royal Proclamation be duly published at the Market Cross at Edinburgh, and in all the County Towns of Scotland, Twenty-five Days at least before the Time hereby appointed for the Meeting of the said Peers to proceed to such Election.

Witness Ourselves at Westminster, the Twentieth Day of May, One thousand seven hundred and Ninety-six, in the Thirty-sixth Year of Our Reign.

G O D save the K I N G.

St. James's, May 21.

THE following Addresses having been transmitted to his Grace the Duke of Portland, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, have been by him presented to the King; which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the British Inhabitants, Merchants, and Traders of the Island of Martinico.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful, loyal and affectionate Subjects, the British Inhabitants, Merchants, and Traders of this your Majesty's Island of Martinico, beg Leave humbly to approach your Majesty with the most sincere Assurance of our steady Attachment to your Majesty's illustrious Person and Family, and our present glorious Constitution, and our ardent Wishes that your Majesty's Reign over us may be long, and as transcendently distinguished as your Virtues.

Emboldened by our Experience of that Attention which your Majesty affords to every Part of your Subjects throughout your Dominions, permit us, most gracious Sir, to represent at the Foot of your Throne our warmest and deepest Acknowledgements of your paternal Goodness in the Choice of his Excellency Robert Shore Milnes, Esq; as Governor and Commander in Chief of this your Majesty's Island of Martinico. Grateful for the many Blessings we have derived from his mild and impartial Administration of Justice, his watchful and unremitted Vigilance, and the Measures he has adopted for the Safety, Peace and Happiness of this Colony, merits your Majesty's most gracious Favor; that his Abilities and Firmness which he has so amply manifested upon all Occasions; and that the very recent Attempt which was made by our Enemies, to rob and deprive us of that Unanimity, Harmony and internal Tranquility which he has established, has been totally defeated by the Exertions of his Wisdom throughout his Government.

Pardon then, most gracious Sovereign, that we have presumed to intrude, and beseech your Most Excellent Majesty to take this our humble Address into your Royal Consideration, and grant to our Governor that Mark of Approbation as your Majesty in your Royal Wisdom shall think fit.

S I R E,

VOS Sujets de la Martinique se dispoient à rendre Grâces à votre Majesté du Choix qu'elle avoit fait de son Excellence Robert Shore Milnes pour les gouverner, lorsque l'annonce de son Depart a rempli leurs Coeurs d'Amertume et de Regrets.

Les Officiers de notre Conseil Souverain, Temoins et Depositaires de ces Sentiments qu'ils partagent, croient de leur Devoir d'en porter l'Expression aux Pieds de votre Trône. L'Éloge de notre Représentants, Sir, ne peut-etre que favorablement accueilli par votre Majesté. Une Administration qui a rendu vos Sujets heureux, qui a fait benir votre Nom et cherir votre Autorité, ne peut qu'être approuvée par un Souverain qui fait du Bonheur, de l'Amour de ses Peuples, son Occupation et sa Jouissance. Nos Vœux, Sir, s'elevent vers vous, pour vous redemander le Gouverneur vertueux, dont la Presence nous est nécessaire pour achever ce que sa Capacité, sa Sagesse, sa Moderation, son Activité, et sa Prudence ont si heureusement commencé.

Daignez, Sir, ne voir dans cette Demarche des Officiers de votre Conseil Souverain, que l'Effet de la Confiance qu'ils ont dans la Bonté de votre Majesté, et qu'un Temoignage de leur Zèle pour la Gloire et la Prosperité de votre Regne.

Nous sommes, avec Respect, Sir, de votre Majesté,

Les très humbles et fidelles Sujets, les Officiers de votre Conseil Souverain,

Signé, Clark, De la Haute, Menant, Derfalles, Soudon de Rivecourt, Poquet de Sauvillie, Galet de St. Aurin, Carreau Deshurlieries, Du Cauroy, Pinel Feréol, Benfé, Duval de Grenonville, Affier de Montrose, Perinelle, de la vigne Bonnaire, Procureur-General, et Roignan, Greffier en Chef.

Collationné, Signé, Roignan.

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May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Council and General Assembly of Tobago, beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty on your happy and providential Escape from the daring and wicked Attempt aimed against your Majesty's Life at the Opening of the present Session of Parliament.

Impressed with the most affectionate Sentiments of Veneration for your Majesty, and the firmest Attachment to the Constitution, we feel the utmost Abhorrence and Detestation of so atrocious an Outrage, not only endangering the Safety of your Majesty's Royal Person, but calculated in it's Consequences to disturb the Tranquility of your Majesty's Government and risk the Ruin of your Dominions.

We trust that the Authors of such flagrant Crimes will not long escape the Arm of Justice, and that the Measures adopted by your Majesty's Parliament will in future give full Security to your Majesty's sacred Person, and that happy Constitution under which we live.

*Tho. Wilson, President.
Gilbert Petrie, Speaker.*