

easter, in Common-Council assembled, humbly present our sincere Congratulation on the great and important Victory obtained by your Majesty's Naval Forces under the Command of Rear-Admiral Sir Horatio Nelson, and on the Defeat and Capture of the French Armament destined for the Invasion of Ireland, by your Majesty's Squadron under the Command of Sir John Borlase Warren.

We acknowledge with Joy and Gratitude your Majesty's Care and Wisdom in the Measures adopted for the public Welfare and Security, which, under the Protection of the Almighty, have enabled the British Navy thus gloriously to distinguish their Conduct and Valour. The unexampled Successes of your Majesty's Fleets, and the Destruction of those of the Enemy, encourage us to look forward with increasing Expectation for the Arrival of that Period, when the Disturbers of the Happiness of the Human Race, humbled and defeated in their wild Projects of Anarchy and Conquest, may discover their own Interest in putting a Stop to the Ravages of War, and in acceding to such Terms of Pacification as shall be equitable and permanent.

May your Majesty long reign in the Hearts of your People, and continue to enjoy the highest Gratification of your paternal Feelings in the Consciousness of having promoted, extended, and secured the Prosperity, Happiness, and Safety of those over whom you are appointed to reign, and in receiving their grateful and well-merited Applause.

Given under the Common Seal of the said Borough, the 2d Day of November, in the Year of our Lord 1798.

[Presented by John Dent, Esq; and the Honorable Richard Penn, Representatives in Parliament for the said Town.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Principal Burgesses, and Commonalty of the Borough of Thetford, in the Counties of Norfolk and Suffolk.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Principal Burgesses, and Commonalty of the Borough of Thetford, in Common-Council assembled, beg your Majesty's Permission to approach the Throne, with Hearts full of Joy and Gratitude, to congratulate your Majesty on the important and decisive Victory obtained by your Majesty's Fleet under the Command of our gallant Countryman Sir Horatio Nelson. May this brilliant Event (perpetuating to your Majesty the Sovereignty of the Seas) abate the Pride and check the wild exterminating Progress of an inveterate Enemy: And may it, under the Divine Providence, tend effectually to the Security of your Majesty's Dominions, and the Happiness of those who are submitted to your Sovereign Protection; and speedily to produce the greatest of all Blessings and the best Object of all Conflicts, a just and honorable Peace.

Given under our Common Seal, this 30th Day of October, 1798.

James Mingay, Mayor.

[Presented by James Mingay, Esq; Mayor of Thetford.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Inhabitants of the Borough of Devizes, in the County of Wilts.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Inhabitants of your Majesty's ancient Borough of Devizes, in the County of Wilts, humbly beg Leave to approach your Majesty with our sincere Congratulations on the signal Success which, by Favor of Divine Providence, hath been vouchsafed to your Majesty's Arms, and particularly on the very brilliant Victory obtained by Rear-Admiral Lord Nelson; a Victory more decisive in itself, and more important in its Consequences, than is recorded in the Annals of this or any other Nation.

Convinced, as we are, of the Importance of the Contest in which we are engaged, and that a successful Termination of it can only be attained by the most vigorous Exertions, we beg to assure your Majesty, that we shall most cheerfully and readily concur, to the utmost of our Power, in giving Effect to those Measures which, by manifesting the Spirit and Resources of this Country, may promote the Restoration of Peace on such secure and honorable Terms as will be consistent with the Dignity of your Majesty's Crown, and the permanent Security and Independence of the British Empire.

[Presented by the Right Honorable Henry Addington, Speaker of the House of Commons, Recorder, and one of the Representatives in Parliament for the said Borough.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough of Devizes, in the County of Wilts.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most faithful Subjects, the Mayor and Burgesses of your Majesty's ancient and loyal Borough of Devizes, in the County of Wilts, humbly approach your Majesty with our heartfelt Congratulations on the late Successes with which it has pleased Almighty God to bless the Efforts of your Majesty's Arms, and particularly on the decisive Victory obtained by Rear-Admiral Lord Nelson; an Event unparalleled in the History of this or of any other Nation.

Deeply impressed with a Sense of the Importance of the Contest in which your Majesty is engaged, and fully convinced that a successful Termination of it can only be accomplished by the Exertions which the Crisis demands, we shall cheerfully concur, to the utmost of our Power, in giving Effect to those Measures which, by manifesting the Vigour and Firmness of this Country, may promote the Restoration of Peace on such a Foundation as will be consistent with the Dignity of your Majesty's Crown, and the permanent Security of the British Empire.

Given under our Common Seal, the 7th Day of November, in the Thirty-ninth Year of your Majesty's Reign.

By Order of Council,

Stephen Powell, Mayor.

[Presented by the Right Honorable Henry Addington, Speaker of the House of Commons, Recorder, and one of the Representatives in Parliament for the said Borough.]

