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THE following Addresses having been transmitted to the Right Honorable Lord Hawkebury, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, have been, by his Lordship, presented to the King; which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously:

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Devon, beg Permission to offer our warmest Congratulations to your Majesty on the decisive Victory recently achieved over the united Fleets of France and Spain, off Cape Trafalgar. We humbly acknowledge the Hand of the Almighty Giver of all Victory in the total Destruction of this Armament, assembled, with proud Boasting, for the Invasion of your Majesty's Dominions; and we bless the same Divine Providence for giving Success to the wonderful Exertions of the British Fleet against the imminent Perils of the Elements.

In common with all Ranks of your Majesty's Subjects, and the general Voice of Europe, we most sincerely lament the Loss of your illustrious Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson; whose Life of Exertion and professional Abilities, dedicated to the public Service, have been so conspicuously terminated in the Moment of an unparalleled Victory: but, while we deplore the Death of this Hero, unrivalled in his Career of Glory, we cannot but gratefully reflect on the transcendent maritime Skill, and invincible Spirit, with which his patriotic Instructions were executed by your Majesty's Fleet under his Command.

Such Precepts and such Examples will add to that Emulation, in doing their Duty, which characterizes the British Navy; and, we trust, will descend to our remotest Posterity, as the best Safeguard of those Blessings that are the Birthright of your Majesty's faithful Subjects.

In the present arduous Contest we confidently hope that the Superiority, Skill, and Perseverance of your Majesty's Fleets, will eminently co-operate with your high Allies in re-establishing the Liberties of Europe on just and unassailable Foundations.

We seize this Opportunity to assure your Majesty the same loyal Principles of Attachment to the Bri-

tish Constitution, and your Majesty's paternal Government, that have hitherto actuated us through all Dangers and Difficulties, will continue to gain Strength from the Struggle, and will enable us to endure with Patience, and to repel with Fortitude, whatever future Attempts may be made by an implacable Enemy, with whom, under the Dispensations of Providence, it is our unavoidable Duty to contend.

Samuel Kekewich, High Sheriff of the County of Devon.

[*Transmitted by the High Sheriff of the County of Devon.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergy, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the County of Derby, at a public Meeting convened by the Sheriff, at the County Hall, in Derby, on Thursday the 12th Day of December, 1805.

IMPRESSED with the liveliest Feelings, we, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergy, Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the County of Derby, presume to approach your Majesty with our sincere Congratulations on the late most gracious and signal Victory;—a Victory which, at the same Time, reflects the highest Splendour on the British Arms, and establishes that maritime Superiority so essential to the most important Interests of this Realm.

Whilst rejoicing on this happy Occasion, we, in common with Englishmen of all Ranks and Descriptions, cannot but regret the heavy Loss the Nation has sustained in the Death of that gallant Commander, Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson, whose Acts of unprecedented Valour and Skill must ever render him the proudest Boast of a People so widely and justly celebrated for having produced a long List of Naval Heroes. We deplore also the Loss of those other valiant Men who have, with him, honorably fallen in the Service of their Country.

Our Hopes, however, revive when we reflect on the meritorious Conduct of those Officers and Seamen, whose Fortune it was so effectually to complete the Work of Conquest commenced under the Auspices of their lamented Chief; and we trust, from