

the late glorious Victory obtained by your Majesty's Arms and Fleet under the Command of the immortal and ever to be lamented Lord Nelson, over the Combined Fleets of France and Spain. But, while we rejoice in the brilliant Victory which, under Divine Providence, has thus been achieved, we deeply deplore the Loss and Death of the great and magnanimous Hero, and of the other brave and gallant Men who fell in that important Conflict: And we trust the shining Examples of Heroism which he and they have left to their Survivors, will animate them to similar Deeds of Glory.

—By Order of the Magistrates and Town-Council, 20th December, 1805. *David Stair, Provost.*

[*Transmitted by Lord Viscount Stoford.*]

—To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Provost, Magistrates, Town-Council, and Deacons of Crafts, of the Royal Burgh of Lanark, in Common-Council assembled.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful Subjects, the Provost, Magistrates, Town-Council, and Deacons of Crafts, of the Royal Burgh of Lanark, desire most humbly to approach your Majesty with our unfeigned Congratulations on the late most signal and important Victories obtained by your Majesty's Fleets, under the Command of the late much lamented Commander, Vice-Admiral Lord Nelson, and Sir Richard Strachan, over the Combined Fleets of France and Spain.

Whilst we view with Gratitude and Admiration the Courage and Conduct of your Majesty's Admirals, Seamen, and Marines, who have thus highly signalized themselves, and rendered the most important Services to the Country, we are thankful to the Divine Providence for these signal Advantages, which we trust with the further Exertions of your Majesty's Fleets and Armies, and those of your Allies, will have the Effect of long preserving to this Country its present happy Constitution, and the manifold Blessings it enjoys under your Majesty's auspicious Government.

Signed in our Name, in our Presence, and by our Appointment, this 23d Day of December, 1805 Years, *Richard Vary, Provost.*

[*Transmitted by Brigadier-General Dickson, Representative in Parliament for the said Burgh of Lanark.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Inhabitants of the Town of Dock and Parish of Stoke Damerell, in the County of Devon, impressed with a solemn Sense of the manifold Blessings conferred on this favoured Island by the Almighty Ruler of the Universe, and with the most profound Respect for your Majesty's sacred Person and august Family, beg Leave to lay our Thanksgivings and Congratulations at the Foot of the Throne, for the late most signal and decisive Victory obtained over the Combined Fleets of France and Spain by your Majesty's Naval Forces.

In contemplating the unparalleled Achievement alluded to, we are lost in Admiration of the Plan of the Attack, and the Vigour of its Execution:—an

Attack in which every Individual was himself an Hero, could not (under the Favour of Divine Providence) be doubtful;—it was irresistible. But your Majesty's loyal Subjects have to deplore the Loss of that most distinguished Patriot and Hero, the late Lord Viscount Nelson, and the gallant Officers and Men who fell with him in the glorious Conflict. Most deeply do we mourn on this Occasion. But though the Laurels of Victory will be shaded, for a while, with the Cypress of Grief, we have the high Consolation of knowing that your Majesty's surviving brave Defenders will emulate the noble Example of the departed Heroes; and that a grateful Country will transmit to the latest Posterity the Name of Nelson, and the Battle of Trafalgar.

Dated December 3, 1805.

[*Transmitted by Sir John St. Aubyn, Bart.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, Commonalty, and Principal Inhabitants of the Town of Penzance, with Hearts full of lively Gratitude to Almighty God for the late Instance of his Goodness to this favoured Nation, beg Leave to offer our warmest Congratulations to your Majesty on the most glorious and decisive Victory obtained over the Combined Naval Force of France and Spain off Cape Trafalgar, by your Majesty's Fleet under the Command of that ever to be lamented Hero, Lord Viscount Nelson:—A Victory which, while it is beyond Example great and complete, mournfully records the Loss of that Chief whose Intrepidity and professional Skill no History can parallel.

We beg Leave also to congratulate your Majesty on the Victory gained over our inveterate Enemy by that gallant Commander Sir Richard Strachan.

And we trust that, on every arduous Occasion, the matchless Courage and Conduct, which so conspicuously pervade your Majesty's Navy, will rise superior to every Difficulty, and add Security and Glory to your Majesty's Dominions.

*Thomas Gidey, Mayor.*

[*Transmitted by the Right Honorable Lord Viscount Falmouth, Recorder of the said Town of Penzance.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Gentlemen, Clergy, Merchants, and Inhabitants of the Town and Parish of Halifax, beg Leave to approach your Throne with our sincere Congratulations on the brilliant and decisive Victory obtained by your Majesty's Fleet under the Command of your late gallant and lamented Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson;—a Victory unequalled even in the Annals of the British Navy.

Whilst, however, we exult on this glorious Occasion, unfeignedly, Sire, do we condole with you on the Loss of those brave Men who have nobly fallen, and particularly on the Death of the illustrious Hero, who, at length, has eternized and consecrated, with his Life's Blood, your Majesty's most valuable Inheritance, your proud and invincible Dominion of the Seas.

May the Glory of his immortal Fame stimulate those that succeed him to Deeds of equal Valour;