

Opinions; but we are fully sensible of the Distinction to be made between Toleration, and the granting of Power.

Highly do we admire the Fortitude with which your Majesty, upon a recent Occasion, exerted the Prerogative of the Crown, in discountenancing and withstanding every Attempt to remove the Barriers which the Wisdom and Experience of our Ancestors thought essential to the Security of our Protestant Church, and the permanent Prosperity of our civil Constitution.

That your Majesty's Life may long be spared to guard and protect the Welfare of this Empire, to be a Blessing and Example to your People, is the Prayer of your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Gentlemen, Clergy, Merchants, Ship Owners, and other Inhabitants of the Town of Kingiton-upon-Hull and its Vicinity.

*William Watson Bolton, Chairman.*

[*Transmitted by William Watson Bolton, Esq.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bridport and of its Vicinity.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Inhabitants of the Town of Bridport and of its Vicinity, beg Permission to lay at your Majesty's Feet our most sincere Acknowledgements for your Majesty's paternal Concern for the Happiness of your People, conspicuous in every Act of your Life, and for your vigilant and constant Attention to the Preservation of our happy Constitution. We would, at this Time especially, most humbly pray that your Majesty would be graciously pleased to receive our warmest Expressions of Gratitude for the Support and Protection recently given by your Majesty to the Reformed Protestant Religion. While we profess ourselves to be cordial Friends of that religious Liberty which is sanctioned by the Laws of this Land, we would deprecate all unnecessary and dangerous Innovations; and we rejoice in the Conviction that we are under the Government of a Sovereign who will, as he has hitherto invariably done, always approve himself the firm and unshaken Defender of the ecclesiastical and civil Establishments of his Country. Our most fervent Wish is, Sire, that you may long reign over a loyal and grateful People; and that the British Sceptre, transmitted to your Descendants in a long Succession, may, with your just Authority, convey to them the Emulation of your princely Virtues.

[*Transmitted by Sir Ewan Nepean, Bart. one of the Representatives in Parliament for the said Town of Bridport.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Precentor and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Saint David.

*SIRE,*

WE, the Precentor and Canons of your Majesty's ancient and most loyal Church of Saint David, in Chapter assembled, beg Leave humbly to express our grateful Thanks to your Majesty, for having steadfastly adhered to the Constitution of your Majesty's Kingdom, and disappointed the Attempt of those who were endeavouring to introduce a Measure

tending to subvert one of the principal Securities of it.

That your Majesty may long live to be the Guardian of that Constitution under which the Nation has so greatly flourished, is our constant Prayer; and that we and all your Majesty's Subjects, while in the true Spirit of Christianity we allow Liberty of Conscience and Worship to those who differ, may strenuously unite to keep the Power of the Sword, and every Instrument of Government, out of those Hands which might prove inimical to that Constitution which placed them in your Majesty's august House, shall be the constant Endeavour of your Majesty's liege Subjects, the Precentor and Canons of the Cathedral Church of Saint David.

Given under our Common Seal this 22d Day of April 1807.

Admiralty-Office, May 4, 1807.

*Extracts of a Letter and its Inclosures, which have been received at this Office from Vice-Admiral Lord Collingwood, Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean, addressed to William Marsden, Esq; dated on board His Majesty's Ship Ocean, off Cadiz, the 8th of April 1807.*

SIR,

HIS Majesty's Sloop L'Espoir has joined me To-day, bringing Dispatches from Vice-Admiral Sir John T. Duckworth and Mr. Arbuthnot. Copies of the Vice-Admiral's Letters to me, detailing the Proceedings of the Squadron in passing and re-passing the Dardanelles, the burning the Turkish Ships which lay off Point Perquies, with Lists of the Killed and Wounded on the 19th and 27th February, and 3d March, are herewith transmitted.

I am, &c.

COLLINGWOOD.

*Royal George, without the Dardanelles,*

MY LORD, *March 6, 1807.*

TOGETHER with this Letter, I transmit to your Lordship Two Letters of the 21st and 28th Ultimo; the former of which will have informed you of my Arrival with the Squadron near Constantinople, and the latter of an unlucky Attempt, in which the Marines and Boats' Crews of the Canopus, Royal George, Windsor Castle, and Standard, had been engaged.

It is now my Duty to acquaint your Lordship with the Result of the Resolution which, for the Reasons I have already detailed, I had adopted of forcing the Passage of the Dardanelles. My Letter of the 21st is dated at an Anchor Eight Miles from Constantinople, the Wind not admitting of a nearer Approach; but the Endymion, which had been sent a head with a Flag of Truce, at the Request of the Ambassador, was enabled to anchor within Four Miles. Had it been then in our Power we should have then taken our Station off the Town immediately, but as that could not be done from the Rapidity of the Current, I was rather pleased than otherwise with the Position we had been forced to take, for in the Conferences between His Majesty's Minister, Mr. Arbuthnot, and the Captain Pacha, of the Particulars of which your Lordship is in Possession, it was promised by Mr.