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AT the Court at the *Queen's Palace*, the 27th of July 1808,

P R E S E N T,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to permit Goods secured in Warehouses in the Port of London to be removed to the Out Ports for Exportation to any Part of Europe; for empowering His Majesty to direct that Licences, which His Majesty is authorized to grant under His Sign Manual, may be granted by one of the Principal Secretaries of State; and for enabling His Majesty to permit the Exportation of Goods in Vessels of less Burthen than are now allowed by Law during the present Hostilities, and until One Month after the Signature of the preliminary Articles of Peace;" it is enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty by Order in Council, or by His Royal Proclamation, to direct that all or any such Licences as, by virtue of any Act of Parliament or otherwise, His Majesty may lawfully grant under His Sign Manual, shall and may be granted by one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in pursuance of an Order of Council specially authorizing the Grant of such Licences, a Duplicate of which Order shall in all Cases be annexed to such Licences; His Majesty having taken the same into His Royal Consideration, is pleased, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, to order and direct, and it is hereby ordered and directed, that all Licences which by virtue of any Acts of Parliament or otherwise His Majesty may lawfully grant under His Sign Manual touching, concerning, or in any Manner relating to Trade, Commerce, or Navigation, shall and may hereafter, and until further Order, be granted by either of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in pursuance of any Order in Council specially authorizing the Grant of such Licences; and that all Licences so granted, and having a Duplicate of such Order in Council annexed thereto, shall be as valid, and have as full Force and Effect, as if such Licences had been granted under His Majesty's Sign Manual; provided that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or taken to invalidate, or in any Manner to affect any Licences which His Majesty shall think

proper to grant under His Royal Sign Manual; but every such Licence so granted shall be of the same Force and Effect as if this Order had not been made.

Steph. Cottrell.

St. James's, August 17, 1808.

THE following Addresses having been transmitted to the Right Honourable 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 Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty of the City of Winchester, presume to approach the Throne of your Majesty with our humble but unfeigned Expressions of Duty and Affection; and we beg Leave most sincerely to congratulate your Majesty on the happy Restoration of Peace between this Country and the Spanish Nation.

Your Majesty, viewing the noble and unexampled Exertions of a great Nation for the Maintenance of their Laws, their Liberties, and their Religion, against the daring and unprincipled Claims and Attempts of an Usurper, has felt that Spirit of true Magnanimity and Patriotism by which every Part of your Majesty's Reign has been eminently distinguished; and the Promptitude and Decision of the Measures adopted by your Majesty effectually to assist and co-operate with the Spanish and Portuguese Patriots, has exhibited to the World a fresh Proof of your unceasing Solicitude for the Welfare and Deliverance of Europe, and your Anxiety to gratify the ardent and unanimous Feelings of your loyal Subjects. We observe the Events which are passing in Spain and Portugal with the most lively Anxiety, and with the deepest Interest; not as affecting alone the Emancipation of those Countries from the Yoke of France, but as exhibiting a bright Example of Firmness and Unanimity calculated to animate the Nations of Europe to an effectual Resistance against that desolating and degrading Arm of lawless Power by which they have been so long visited and disgraced.

We beg to assure your Majesty, that to a Cause so worthy of your Feelings, and so congenial to

those Principles of rational Freedom which animate the Breast of every Englishman, we shall most readily and cheerfully contribute, by any Sacrifices required to enable you to afford such further Assistance to the embodied Patriots in Spain and Portugal as shall appear best calculated, under the Blessing of Divine Providence, to bring to a happy Termination the glorious Struggles in which they are engaged.

That your Majesty may long continue to reign as eminently distinguished by your Magnanimity Abroad, as by the Exercise of your numerous Virtues at Home, is the unfeigned and anxious Prayer of your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Commonalty of this ancient City.

Given under our Common Seal this 11th Day of August, in the Year of our Lord 1808.

[*Transmitted by Sir Richard Gamon, Bart. one of the Representatives in Parliament for the said City of Winchester.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the High Sheriff, Nobility, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of Devon.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Sheriff, Nobility, Clergy, Gentlemen, and Freeholders of the County of Devon, beg Leave to approach your Majesty with Sentiments expressive of the utmost Affection and Gratitude.

We sincerely congratulate your Majesty on the Cessation of Hostilities between this Country and Spain, and on the very gallant and meritorious Exertions now making by those high spirited Nations, Spain and Portugal, to resist the unexampled Perfidy of the Ruler of the French, and to preserve the Independence and Integrity of their respective Monarchies from the Tyranny and Usurpation of the Common Enemy. We view with the highest Approbation the Wisdom and the Liberality of the Support your Majesty is graciously pleased to afford to such a Cause, which at the same Time that it manifests to the World the dignified Principles that actuate your Majesty, opens the fairest Prospect of attaining that Object which your Majesty has in View, an honourable and lasting Peace.

We consider this Event of the highest Importance to the civilized World in general, and to this Country in particular, as leading to a Return of a firm Friendship with those Nations, if, fortunately for themselves and the Rest of Europe, they shall, with the powerful Aid afforded them by your Majesty, and under the Blessings of Divine Providence, prevail in the glorious Contest in which they are engaged.

Henry Carew, High Sheriff.

[*Transmitted by Lord Rolle.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Southampton, humbly request we may be permitted to approach your Throne with our hearty Congratulations on the Cessation of Hostilities with Spain; and to express our Admiration at the loyal, gallant, and successful Efforts already made by that high-spirited Nation, with a Promptitude

and Courage of which there are few Instances in the History of the World, to assert the Independence of the Spanish Monarchy against the common Enemy and Oppressor of Europe.

At the same Time that we offer these Congratulations to your Majesty, we beg Leave to acknowledge the Wisdom and Magnanimity of the disinterested Support given by your Majesty to the Spanish Cause, which, while it manifests to the World the highly honourable Principle by which your Majesty is actuated, affords the best Prospect of promoting the lasting Prosperity of your Majesty's Dominions, as well as securing the Tranquillity of Europe.

Signed on Behalf of the Meeting,

George Hanbury Mitchell, Sheriff.

[*Transmitted by George Hollis, Esq; Under-Sheriff of Hants.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

S I R E,

THE Mayor, Bailiffs, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Town of Southampton, humbly present to your Majesty the willing Tribute of Thankfulness and Praise for your unceasing Attention to the Welfare of your People; and we have more earnestly sought this Honour, as it affords us an Opportunity to offer to your Majesty our Congratulations on the sudden but most interesting and important Reconciliation with the re-animated Kingdom of Spain.

Long have we lamented the Calamities of Countries with which we were connected, while your Majesty alone opposed that Enemy of Mankind, whose wonderful Success in Arms, and perfidious Machinations, have blotted the hallowed Name of Peace, and reduced to Penury the noble Race of established Potentates.

At length the Days of Hope return; and your Majesty's loyal Subjects surround your Palaces in Multitudes to celebrate, in Sounds of Love and Veneration, this happy Prospect of restoring Peace; anxious as they are to realize by Action in the Field, your Majesty's Resolve to succour the distressed, they search for Peace in War.

Proceed, great Monarch, in this illustrious Enterprize; and may the God of Battles direct your Armies by Sea and Land, and inspire their wonted Bravery with redoubled Force.

John Rowcliffe, Mayor.

Southampton, August 9, 1808.

[*Transmitted by George Rose, jun. and Josiah Jackson, Esqrs. Representatives in Parliament for the said Town of Southampton.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Bailiffs, Burgesses, Merchants, and other Inhabitants of the Borough and Town of Caernarvon, beg Leave to approach your Majesty's Throne with Sentiments of heartfelt Congratulation on the cheering Prospect afforded by the animated Exertions of the Spaniards and Portuguese.

While we offer up to the Almighty our Thanks for the Spirit which he has hitherto infused into them, and our earnest Prayers for its Continuance and Success, we cannot but consider your Majesty as

the great Agent under Providence which has brought about this splendid Exertion in the Cause of Liberty. We attribute it to the uniform Firmness and Wisdom with which your Majesty's Government has been conducted during so many Years of Devastation among the other Kingdoms of Europe, that Patriotism and national Virtue are not yet extinct.

We are proud of believing, that a confident Reliance on the Concurrence and Support of the British Empire had a powerful Effect in rousing the insulted and oppressed Nations of Spain and Portugal to action in Behalf of their just Rights. And we most heartily congratulate your Majesty on the Promptitude and Vigour with which your present Servants have done Justice to the usual Tenor of your Majesty's Government, by the speedy and powerful Succours they have dispatched to their Assistance.

Signed at the Request of the Burgesses, Merchants, and other Inhabitants of the ancient and loyal Borough and Town of Caernarvon, at a Meeting convened at the Guildhall, on Tuesday the 9th Day of August 1808, by
Richard Griffith, Robert Williams, Bailiffs.

[Transmitted by Lord Uxbridge.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Bailties and Trustees of Port Glasgow and Newark.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Bailties and Trustees of your Towns of Port Glasgow and Newark, in Council assembled, on occasion of the patriotic Struggle of the Spanish and Portuguese Nations for their Liberties and Independence, and your Majesty's dignified and liberal Declaration, and prompt and vigorous Assistance, furnishing another Opportunity of convincing the Continent that your Majesty's Exertions against the Tyrant and Enemy of Mankind are solely directed to the Safety and Defence of your own Empire, and the Relief of the other Powers of Europe from his cruel and treacherous Usurpations and Oppressions, beg Leave to express our loyal and grateful Thanks to your Majesty for the speedy Aid so afforded to these noble Patriots, in Support of which your Majesty will have the unanimous Concurrence of your Subjects.

Your Majesty's disinterested and decisive Conduct is thus laid open of new to the other Powers. Let them rouse from their inglorious Inactivity and fatal Stupor. Open their Eyes to their detestable and ignoble Alliances with the upstart universal Destroyer; or a dastardly Neutrality, equally dangerous to their Safety; free themselves from the Thralldom and unworthy Influence of the Ufurper; fix their wavering Minds to the dire Necessity of War against the all-devouring Monster; tear off the Badges of their basely surrendered Liberties; wrest their Necks from the Despot's ignominious Chains; and let the Spirit of Independence, Freedom, and just Vengeance animate and invigorate their affrightened Souls.

Your Majesty's powerful Co-operation is offered. May they study their true Interest in embracing it, and imitate the Example of the brave Spaniards, who have resolved to die or be free; and their Li-

berties and Independence lost and put in Hazard will yet be recovered and established; its due Balance of Power restored to the oppressed Continent, and Peace, under your Majesty's honourable Dictates and high Guarantee, given to the distracted World.

That your Majesty may ever be looked up to as the exalted Defender and Safeguard of Liberty and Independence, and long enjoy that inestimable Satisfaction, is our most hearty and sincere Prayer.

Signed and sealed with the Seal of the said Towns, in our Name and Presence, and by our Appointment, in Council assembled within the Council Chamber thereof, the 9th of August 1808.
John Barr, eldest Bailie.

[Transmitted by Mr. Watson, Town Clerk.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's loyal and faithful Subjects, the Mayor, Bailiffs, and Burgesses of the Borough of Leicester, with dutiful Respect approach your Majesty's Throne to present our humble Offering of Thanks for the prompt and liberal Aid which your Majesty has afforded to the gallant People who are now struggling for their Lives and their Liberty in Portugal and Spain.

We should be unworthy of the unexampled Blessings we derive from our glorious Constitution, did we not feel anxious to support the patriotic Efforts now making in those Nations. We should be deficient in Gratitude for the numerous Advantages we possess from your Majesty's paternal Care, did we fail to acknowledge our Obligations for the recent Instance of it, manifested in the Succour so freely afforded by your Majesty to those who so much needed and so much deserved it.

Though the general Sense of your Majesty's Subjects has lately shewn that no Sacrifices will be thought too great which may be necessary to support these noble Exertions, yet we feel ourselves greatly indebted to that just Discernment and manly Decision which led your Majesty's Ministers to rely upon this Sentiment before it could be expressed, and to prepare the Succour before it could be asked.

May it please the Almighty Disposer of Events to bless this righteous Cause, and to deliver the World from the Power of that merciless Tyrant, who robs Friends and Foes alike of the Blessings of Peace.

Signed, by the unanimous Resolution of a Common-Hall,
W. Heyrick, Town Clerk.

[Transmitted by Samuel Smith, Esq; Representative in Parliament for the said Borough of Leicester.]

Whitehall, August 20, 1808.

The King has been pleased to nominate and appoint George Fergusson, of Hermand, Esq; to be one of the Lords of Justiciary in that Part of the United Kingdom called Scotland, in the Room of Sir William Nairne, of Dunfinnan, Bart. resigned.

War-Office, August 20, 1808.

4th Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Surgeon Ninian Bruce, from the 88th Foot, to be Surgeon, vice Irwin, appointed Surgeon to the Forces.