

mily; that he may ever direct your Councils, and prosper the Measures of your Government; that after a long and happy Reign on Earth, he may bestow on you a Crown of Glory in Heaven; and that Princes of the august House of Brunswick, formed on your Majesty's Example, may to latest Posterity sway the Sceptre of this Realm, are the fervent Prayers of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most faithful, most obedient, and most loyal Subjects, the Ministers and Elders met in this National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Signed in our Name, in our Presence, and at our Appointment, by

*Francis Nicoll*, D. D. Moderator.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, met in General Assembly, beg Leave to approach the Throne with Sentiments of the warmest Attachment to your Person, Family, and Government.

In the present alarming Situation of the Affairs of Europe, we rejoice in the Pledges of National Safety which, under Heaven, we enjoy in your Majesty's paternal Solicitude, and in the Wisdom and Vigour of your Councils. From a View of the Subversion of ancient Governments, and the Wreck of Nations, we frequently turn our Eyes with heartfelt Joy and Exultation to our unimpaired Constitution in Church and State; — the best which human Wisdom ever devised, and administered by a Sovereign, who is at once the Pattern of Religion, the Guardian of Liberty, and the Father of his People.

While we have beheld your Majesty employed in promoting national Happiness, and in extending equal Protection to all your Subjects, we have lately contemplated with the deepest Interest and Anxiety your magnanimous Interposition in Favour of the injured and oppressed Nations of Spain and Portugal. To resist the Shock of that Power, before which almost all others have been swept away as by a Torrent, and to interpose between suffering Nations and universal Subjugation, was a Measure worthy of a generous People, under the Government of a wise and patriotic King. We observed, therefore, with Delight, that your Majesty's liberal Offers of Assistance to those oppressed States were unanimously approved of and warmly seconded by your People, and that Admiration and Affection mingled with their Loyalty to the best of Sovereigns.

We beg Leave to congratulate your Majesty on various Enterprizes both by Sea and Land, in which the admirable Discipline and steady Courage of the British Forces have lately triumphed over superior Numbers: Achievements which reflect signal Honour on those who were more immediately concerned, and Glory on the British Name. Whatever Effect they may have on the Fate of our Allies, they give us Ground to trust, that, under the Protection of Heaven, we shall be able to resist the fiercest Attacks of our Enemies, and to transmit unimpaired to Posterity those invaluable Blessings, which as a Nation we have so long enjoyed.

As Subjects of the Prince of Peace, we pray for the Termination of that destructive War in which we are involved; but, in the mean Time, we submit

without Murmur or Complaint to those Burdens and Privations which it necessarily imposes. Sensible that not only our Safety, but our Existence as a Nation, depends on our firm and persevering Exertions against the common Enemy, and looking for Success to the Ruler of Nations, we will not cease to cherish in our People that Unanimity and public Spirit which become those who are contending for their most valuable and dearest Rights. We will teach them to make a wise Improvement of those Judgments which are abroad in the Earth, and to cultivate that Righteousness which exalteth a Nation, that God may avert from our Country those Calamities which our Iniquities have deserved.

That the Lord of Hosts may crown the Heads of our brave Countrymen, by Sea and Land, with Victory and Honour; that their Success may be the Means of securing to us a lasting and an honourable Peace; that your Majesty may long reign over a free, a loyal, and a happy People; and that you may hereafter receive a heavenly Crown, are the Prayers of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most faithful, most obedient, and most loyal Subjects, the Ministers and Elders met in this General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

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Edinburgh, 20th May 1809.

*War-Office, May 27, 1809.*

2d Regiment of Life Guards, Cornet and Sub Lieutenant John Clarke to be Lieutenant, by Purchase, vice Griffiths, appointed to 3d Dragoons.

2d Regiment of Dragoons, John Purves Horne, Gent. to be Cornet, by Purchase, vice Legge, promoted.

4th Ditto, John Luard, Gent. to be Cornet, without Purchase, vice Alpe, promoted.

6th Ditto, Captain F. S. Miller to be Major, by Purchase, vice Croft, who retires.

Lieutenant Edward Holbeck to be Captain of a Troop, vice Miller.

7th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Lieutenant Thomas W. Robbins to be Captain of a Troop, by Purchase, vice Cholmley, promoted.

Cornet F. G. Goodwin to be Lieutenant, vice Robbins.

15th Ditto, Cornet F. C. Phillips to be Lieutenant, by Purchase, vice Williams, promoted.

Cornet Henry Bellairs to be Lieutenant, by Purchase, vice Hancox, promoted.

5th Regiment of Foot, Surgeon Samuel Scott, from the 7th Garrison Battalion, to be Surgeon, vice Hogg, who exchanges.

13th Ditto, Lieutenant James Galbraith to be Captain of a Company, without Purchase, vice Blake, who retires.

16th Ditto, Lieutenant William Charles O'Byrne, from the Royal West India Rangers, to be Lieutenant, vice Smith, who exchanges.

Ensign T. D. Pashley to be Lieutenant, without Purchase, vice Bromwich, superseded.

20th Ditto, Lieutenant ——— Cheek, from the Derby Militia, to be Ensign.

26th Ditto, Ensign ——— Anderson, from the Berwickshire Militia, to be Ensign.