

proach the Throne to offer your Majesty our unfeigned Congratulations on your Majesty on this Day attaining the Fiftieth Year of your Reign.

Firmly attached to that glorious Constitution of Government over which your Majesty has, for so extraordinary a Period, reigned, we sincerely trust that the same Supreme Being that has hitherto preserved you will continue to promote the Happiness of your Majesty and your illustrious House, and, by still extending your Life, enable your Majesty to give to your Subjects that desirable Object, the Blessing of an honourable and permanent Peace, and to transmit to your Posterity the Privileges of civil and religious Liberty.

As, from your Majesty's Life being thus happily preserved, the Constitution, Religion, and Laws have been secured, during the most eventful Times, and, by your Majesty's exemplary Conduct, as well in public as in private Life, an Example is afforded to succeeding Ages; so, we earnestly pray that it may please the All-wise Disposer of human Events still to continue a Life on every Account so inestimable.

Given under our Common Seal, the 25th Day of October, 1809,

*Harry Brown, Thomas Barmby, Wardens.*

[Transmitted by *John Staniforth, Esq. and Lord Mahon, M. P. for Kingston-upon-Hull.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen of Kingston-upon-Hull.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, and Aldermen of Kingston-upon-Hull, presume to approach your Throne, to offer our most sincere and heartfelt Congratulations to your Majesty on the Commencement of the Fiftieth Year of your Reign; and our ardent Wish that you may long live to receive, on each Anniversary of this auspicious Day, the grateful Homage of a loyal and affectionate People.

We are deeply sensible of the Praise and Thanksgiving we owe to Divine Providence for the singular Felicity enjoyed by this happy Country, in being exempt from the Miseries and Calamities of War, which have afflicted and desolated the fairest Portions of the Globe; and of having been enabled to preserve inviolate our much admired and long envied Constitution, amidst the Corruption, or entire Subversion, of almost every Government in Europe: to support and defend that Constitution, and your Majesty's Person and Government, be assured, Royal Sire, we shall deem no Sacrifice too great, no Privation too severe.

Justly relying on the Wisdom and Energy of your Majesty's Government, on the Valour of our Fleets and Armies, and the vigorous, animated, and united Exertions displayed by every Class of your Subjects, we may confidently bid Defiance to the threatened Invasion of these Kingdoms by the insatiate Ruler of France, until it shall please the Almighty to inspire him with a sincere Desire of Peace, on such Terms as shall be consistent with the Honour and Dignity of your Majesty's Crown, and the permanent Security and Welfare of your People.

May that gracious Providence, which hath so long blessed us with a Monarch, not less revered as the Ruler, than beloved as the Father of his People, continue to shield and protect your Majesty from every

Danger, until that awful, but, we hope, still distant Period, when the Supreme Disposer of all Events shall change your earthly Honours for "a Crown of Glory that fadeth not away."

Given under our Common Seal this 25th Day of October, in the Fiftieth Year of your Majesty's Reign.

*C. F. Coulson, Mayor.*

[Transmitted by *John Staniforth, Esq. and Lord Mahon, M. P. for Kingston-upon-Hull.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, the Mayor, Corporation, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of Plymouth, humbly approach the Throne, with the warmest Sentiments of loyal Attachment to your Royal Person and Government, and of dutiful Affection to your Majesty, as the venerable Father of your People, endeared to their Hearts by a long Life of anxious Care for the Preservation of their Honour and Happiness.

Your Majesty's Reign hath been truly an arduous one; a Period, indeed, of such unexampled Exigences, as have perplexed the Wisdom of the Wise, and alarmed the Fears of the Good. But, hitherto, the Supreme Disposer of Events hath enabled your Majesty to stem the Torrent which hath ravaged the rest of Europe; and neither republican nor imperial France, in all its Rage, either of licentious Freedom, or of despotic Ambition, hath prevailed to shake the solid and consistent Fabric of British Liberty and Power.

It is a Wish next our Hearts that Providence, which rules the Destinies of Nations, may long continue to us your Majesty's eminent Example of Piety and Virtue, and make your Majesty the happy Instrument of its Mercy, in blessing Europe with an honourable and lasting Peace.

[Transmitted by *J. Whitesford, Esq. Deputy Town Clerk.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's dutiful Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of your Majesty's ancient and loyal Town of Shrewsbury, beg leave to approach the Throne with Sentiments of devout Gratitude to Almighty God, and of the most cordial Affection and Attachment to your Majesty.

By the Protection of Divine Providence, your Majesty has been preserved to us from the Machinations of secret, and from the Attacks of open Enemies, through a Reign arduous, eventful, and of Duration nearly unexampled in our Annals. To your Majesty's Virtues, civil and domestic, to your Piety, and eminent Attention to the Duties of Religion, both public and private, we ascribe it, under God, that this favoured Nation has been maintained in the enjoyment of its Rights, its Independence, and its Honour, amidst the Wreck of Empires, and the Desolation of the civilized World.

That your Majesty's sacred Life may long be spared to the ardent Vows of a loyal and affectionate People, is our earnest Prayer; and when you shall be called—late may it be!—to the Reward of a Life devoted to the Welfare of your People, may your Successors prove emulous of your Virtues, and studious of your Example; that to our unrivalled Constitution, under the mild and paternal Government