

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, the Bailiffs and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of Tamworth, in the Counties of Stafford and Warwick, impelled by our regard for the principles of religion and morality, (the best interests of society,) and urged by an unfeigned attachment for the political constitution of our country, presume to offer our most sincere condolence to your Royal Highness upon the numerous crimes of unprecedented atrocity which have been lately perpetrated within this kingdom, and particularly for the wanton and malignant assassination of the Right Hon. Spencer Perceval; by which fatal and deplorable event your Royal Highness has been deprived of a faithful and zealous Minister, and the kingdom of an able and upright statesman. We deem it our duty thus publicly to express our abhorrence of the horrid crime of murder, whenever or wheresoever committed; and our feelings on this painful occasion are greatly increased by the consideration, that the assassin's hand has destroyed a man of the first eminence and consideration in the state; and in private life, of the most amiable and exemplary character. Amidst the dismay that surrounds us it is some consolation to know, that this sad instance of human depravity is to be ascribed to the wickedness of an individual, and is not imputable to any plan of confederated malignity. Whatever attempts may be made by designing men to inflame the public mind, in these eventful times, by false representations of assumed grievances, or by exaggerated statements of unavoidable calamities, incident to unfruitful seasons, and to the subtle machinations of a powerful and unrelenting enemy, we confidently hope, that all such mischievous designs will be frustrated by the vigilant exertion of those powers which the laws have wisely placed in the hands of government, for the preservation of the public peace, for the safeguard of human life, and for the protection of private property.

Deign, Sir, to accept this address, as the humble pledge of our loyalty to the King, of our duty to your Royal Highness as Regent, and of our respect and veneration for the laws and constitution of the realm.

Given under the Seal of this Corporation, the 27th day of May 1812.

[Presented by Lieutenant-General Loftus and Mr. Peel.]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

The dutiful Address of the Court of Mayor, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses of the ancient Borough Town of Malden, in the County of Essex.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

THOUGH we are not the first to approach your Royal Highness to offer our sincere condolence, and to express our abhorrence at the unprecedented and atrocious act of assassination on the person of the Right Honourable Spencer Perceval, committed

within the walls of Parliament, yet we humbly assure your Royal Highness, that we yield to none in affectionate regard for your royal person, and in the deep sense we entertain of your constant and unceasing endeavours to promote the honour and interests of this kingdom.

Impressed with these sentiments, we embrace this opportunity of expressing our detestation of this foul and deliberate act of sanguinary vengeance, at the same time that we deplore the loss of a man so eminently distinguished for his public services, and so transcendent an example of private worth.

Most fervently do we hope, that the feelings of abhorrence and indignation, so generally expressed by all ranks of His Majesty's subjects, may effectually prevent the repetition of an act so atrocious in itself, and so foreign from the exalted and honourable character of Englishmen.

May God protect your royal house and person; may your councils prosper, and your arms be crowned with success; may all ranks of His Majesty's subjects unite in supporting that government under which they enjoy so many and such distinguished blessings; and may they transmit unimpaired, to the latest posterity, that constitution in church and state, which, amidst the wreck of surrounding nations, has so signally maintained the security, honour, and happiness of these realms.

Signed by order of the Court,

*Wm. Coold, Town Clerk.*

[Presented by Colonel Strutt and Mr. Western, Members for Malden.]

To His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

The humble, dutiful, and loyal Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of Banbury, in Common Hall assembled.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses of Banbury, in Common Hall assembled, most humbly beg permission to express to your Royal Highness, our deep concern and dutiful condolence on the severe loss which your Royal Highness and the country have sustained in the death of the late Right Honourable Spencer Perceval; and the horror, detestation, and grief excited in our minds by the commission and consequence of a crime so atrocious as that which has been the occasion of our addressing your Royal Highness.

Amidst the poignancy of feeling consequent upon this distressing event, we beg leave most dutifully to represent to your Royal Highness, the consolation we have derived by the proof afforded upon the trial of the assassin, that this dreadful crime was the act of a single individual, and that its perpetration does not involve the character of the nation. Whilst we have felt it incumbent on us to lay before your Royal Highness this expression of our condolence, we cannot omit assuring your Royal Highness, the grateful sense we entertain of the promptitude with which your Royal Highness has been pleased to recommend Parliament to make a