

which has, by measures so happily executed, conducted the arduous contest, in which His Majesty and Your Royal Highness have been so long engaged, to the present glorious issue.

When we reflect on the years of national peril which have passed away, we devoutly recognise, in the present aspect of public affairs, a signal answer to those humble supplications which our venerable Sovereign, as well as Your Royal Highness, and His Majesty's people, have, from time to time, addressed to the throne of the Omnipotent.

In contemplating the probable consequences of this propitious revolution in the state of the world, we rejoice that it affords the prospect of our maintaining a secure and permanent peace with all nations; and of adding thereby to the facilities already given by Your Royal Highness's government, to extend the knowledge and influence of Christianity through Europe and Asia, and to the ends of the earth.

We gratefully acknowledge the share which we have enjoyed in the blessings of His Majesty's auspicious reign, which has preserved inviolate our liberties both civil and religious; and we embrace with cheerfulness the present opportunity to renew to His Majesty, and to Your Royal Highness, the solemn assurance of our inviolable fidelity, to which not only our interest and inclination, but the sacred ties of gratitude and duty bind us.

In fine we humbly trust that Your Royal Highness will permit us to add, that we exult in being the citizens of a country which the Divine favour has, for many years, rendered the refuge of the exile, the hope of the oppressed, and the great instrument in upholding a sinking world.

That the Ruler of the Universe may be pleased in great mercy to restore His Majesty to bodily health and mental tranquillity, and that He may enjoy while he lives, the consolations of the religion of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and hereafter an unfading crown of glory in Heaven:

That the Spirit of Wisdom may continue to direct the councils of Your Royal Highness; and that under Your Royal Highness's illustrious house, the British Empire may long enjoy peace, and all the blessings of our free and happy constitution, is, and shall be, the earnest prayer of the Ministers and Elders of this Associate Synod.

Signed in our name, in our presence, and by our appointment, at Edinburgh, this twenty-eighth of April, One-thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

*David Telford, Moderator*

[Presented by Lord Viscount Melville.]

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

*May it please Your Royal Highness,*

We, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of Bristol, in common council assembled, beg leave humbly to approach Your Royal Highness with assurances of our undiminished and unalterable attachment to Your Royal Highness's person, family, and government.

Whilst with feelings of devout gratitude we con-

template the great and wonderful events which have given tranquillity to Europe, and behold our fleets and armies every where victorious, it is with British pride we regard the conduct of Your Royal Highness's administration, from whose wise and magnanimous councils England and Europe have gained, amidst the laurels of successful war, the olive branch of peace.

We congratulate Your Royal Highness that the relations of concord, so long suspended between this country and France, are likely to be restored on permanent bases, and that the re-establishment of the legitimate family on the throne affords the happy prospect of security to ourselves and tranquillity to the world.

We trust that under the favour of Divine Providence, the sun of British glory may never set; and that Your Royal Highness's government, supported by the loyalty and affection of a great nation, will long perpetuate to a happy people the blessings of our glorious constitution.

[Presented by Richard Hart Davis, and Edward Protheroe, Esqs. Representatives in Parliament for the City of Bristol, and accompanied by the Right Worshipful the Mayor, James Fowler, Esq.]

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

The humble Address of the Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood of Bridgwater, in the county of Somerset.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, the Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood of Bridgwater, animated with sentiments of loyal and zealous attachment to our beloved Sovereign, and to you his Illustrious Representative, beg leave, at this eventful period, to approach your Royal Highness with our heartfelt congratulations on the happy prospect which at length opens upon us, of a safe, honourable and lasting peace. The tyranny of the Destroyer is at an end; the Ancient Dynasties are re-established; the balance of power is restored; the deliverance of Europe is accomplished. If these glorious results have been ultimately secured by the united exertions of the Allied Nations, it should never be forgotten, that there was a time when all these nations, Great Britain alone excepted, felt themselves compelled, by the force of circumstances, either to submit to the Usurper's yoke, or to become the instruments of promoting his wild schemes of ambition.

In that season of gloom and dismay, your Royal Highness, treading in the steps, and pursuing the enlightened policy of your venerable Father, upheld, with unshaken constancy, the dignity and independence of this highly favoured country, and whilst, with a spirit becoming the Sovereign of a free people, your Royal Highness cherished and protected the rising spark of liberty in the Peninsula, the valour of his Majesty's armies, directed by the unrivalled skill of their great Commander, furnished repeated proofs, that the hitherto victorious legions of the enemy were not, as he arrogantly boasted, invincible. This bright example, thus opportunely afforded, roused the drooping spirits of