

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

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood of Shrewsbury, humbly beg leave to lay before your Royal Highness our warm and sincere congratulations on the restoration of peace, and on the re-establishment of regular government and tranquillity throughout Europe.

And whilst we justly pride ourselves on the skill and valour displayed by His Majesty's forces during this long and arduous contest, we beg permission to express to your Royal Highness our high sense of those wise and vigorous counsels which have so essentially contributed to the accomplishment of such glorious results, and our satisfaction at the moderation of your Royal Highness and His Majesty's illustrious Allies in disregarding, in the terms of peace, all view of exclusive aggrandisement, and looking only to one object—the tranquillity and happiness of the world. Amongst those heroes who have distinguished themselves in the field, it is with satisfaction and pride we see enrolled the name of our late Representative in Parliament, Lord Hill, and we cannot refrain from exulting in the honours which your Royal Highness hath been graciously pleased to confer on our gallant countryman.

With great humility, we also beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with our expressions of gratitude for that article of the peace which evinces the desire of your Royal Highness to put an end throughout Europe to the slave trade (however we lament the concessions it hath made for its limited continuance), and for the gracious assurances your Royal Highness hath since given of continuing those exertions to effect the total abolition of a traffic viewed with abhorrence by this nation.

That your Royal Highness may long enjoy the blessings of the peace which you have thus established, and long reign in the hearts of a free, happy, and united people, is the prayer of your Royal Highness's most faithful, dutiful, and devoted servants.

Signed at the desire of the Meeting,

Wm. Coupland, Mayor of Shrewsbury.

[*Transmitted by T. Loxdale, Esq. Town Clerk, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble Address of the Convener, Deacons, and whole Incorporated Trades of the City of Aberdeen.

May it please your Royal Highness,

ACTUATED by the same spirit of affection and loyalty towards His Majesty's person and government, of profound respect for your Royal Highness, and of zeal for the glory and happiness of the United Kingdom, we presume, along with

other classes of His Majesty's subjects, to present to your Royal Highness our most sincere congratulations on the successful termination of a war unexampled in duration, bloodshed, and expence, in which Providence had permitted us to be engaged.

When, on a former occasion, we exercised our privilege of addressing the Sovereign, the enemy had become so formidable by the subjugation of almost all the States of Europe, that an actual invasion of our dear country was seriously apprehended, and we then, as in duty bound, voluntarily made offer of our services as soldiers for its defence. But, by the blessing of Divine Providence, what a happy change has now taken place, from the wisdom of His Majesty's councils, the spirit and gallantry of our brave fleets and armies, and the zealous cooperation of our faithful Allies. Instead of our own, the native country of the enemy has been successfully invaded, the former monarchy restored, the usurper himself dethroned, and all his short-lived triumphs blasted and overthrown by one mighty effort of confederated nations.

We submitted, without murmuring, to the severe burdens necessarily imposed upon us during the war, and as the just reward of all our sufferings, have now only to rejoice in their alleviation, and in the fair prospect presented to us of enjoying the blessings of peace, plenty, and prosperity, under the mild and paternal government of His Majesty, and his royal successors, for many years to come.

Signed, in name, and by appointment of the whole Incorporated Trades of the City of Aberdeen, by *William Douglas, Convener.*

Aberdeen, July 15, 1814.

[*Transmitted by W. Douglas, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, the Noblemen and Gentlemen, Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, Commissioners of Supply, and other Heritors of the County of Fife, at a General Meeting assembled, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with the most respectful and true attachment, to tender our sincere and heartfelt congratulations on the late glorious and unexampled events, which promise a happy termination to the troubles of Europe.

That tyranny has been annihilated, and that Europe is relieved from the destructive power of insatiable ambition, is matter of high exultation; but when we consider that to the wise and energetic measures adopted by our beloved Monarch and his Ministers early in the convulsive struggles of Europe, and so firmly followed up by your Royal Highness, are owing the happy results we are this day met to celebrate, we want words to express our triumphant feelings or the obligations we owe to your Royal Highness for your unshaken firmness and perseverance in that line of policy which, having saved Britain from the anarchy which desolated the rest of Europe, has raised the British name to a proud pre-eminence, and has restored Sovereigns to their ancient hereditary dominions.

That a lasting peace may be the reward of the