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THE following Address has been presented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent; which Address His Royal Highness was pleased to receive very graciously:

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

The humble Address of the Ministers of the People called Methodists, belonging to the Religious Societies, first established by the Reverend John Wesley, deceased.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Ministers of the People called Methodists, belonging to the Religious Societies first established by the Reverend John Wesley, deceased, beg leave most humbly to approach your Royal Highness, and to offer to you our heartfelt congratulations on the happy termination of the late sanguinary and protracted war, and on the restoration of peace, among the various nations which compose the great European family.

In the astonishing events which have led to these auspicious results, we devoutly recognize the special agency of that Almighty Being, who doeth according to his will, in the army of Heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment, and who, in the recent dispensations of His Providence, has made it signally manifest, that those who walk in pride He is able to abase.

We gladly avail ourselves of this opportunity, to assure your Royal Highness, that both we and the numerous societies whom we represent, are firmly and unalterably attached to the excellent Constitution of our Country; and that in sentiments of most loyal and affectionate respect for the Person, the Family, and the Government of our venerable Sovereign, we are not behind any other class of His Majesty's subjects. His long affliction we have sincerely lamented; and for his present and eternal welfare we incessantly pray. For your Royal Highness also, we offer up to God our continual supplications, that His best blessings may

rest on yourself and on your Regency; that you may be His Minister for good to this nation and to mankind, and that after having long lived at the head of a free, faithful, and prosperous people, you may finally receive a crown of righteousness which fadeth not away.

With our prayers, we shall not fail to continue as we have ever done, our strenuous exhortations to the people of our charge; that they may be taught both by our precepts and example, while they fear God, to honour the King, and to adorn our holy religion by an uniformly peaceable demeanour, and by a cheerful subjection to lawful authority.

In these principles of Christian loyalty, we were, as a religious body, carefully instructed by the Founder of our Societies—they are embodied in our standing rules of discipline, and we are confirmed in our adherence to them, by our thankful recollection of the privileges which we enjoy. Those privileges we consider as greatly enlarged and secured, by a recent statute, entitled "An Act to repeal certain Acts, and amend other Acts, relating to religious worship and assemblies, and persons teaching or preaching therein." For this extension and establishment of religious liberty, we are solicitous to express our warmest gratitude to your Royal Highness, under whose councils the measure was introduced into Parliament, and unanimously passed into a law. And while we are thus acknowledging our own obligations, we cannot omit to advert, with similar feelings of respectful and grateful satisfaction, to the legal facilities which are now afforded to pious persons of all denominations, for the peaceable diffusion of the manifold blessings of Christianity, in those populous countries which compose the British Empire in India.

We cannot, however, conceal from your Royal Highness, that amidst the many occasions of congratulation and thankfulness which late events have produced, there is one subject, which as men, as Christians, and as Ministers of the Gospel of Peace, we can contemplate with no other emotions than those of the deepest regret. We refer to that article of the treaty with France, from which it appears, that the influence of your Royal Highness