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

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

The humble and dutiful Address of the Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Anglesey.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Anglesey, convened by the Sheriff of the said County, humbly crave permission to approach your Royal Highness with our joyful congratulations on your providential escape from the traitorous attack so daringly made on your Royal Highness, when you were returning from the exercise of your constitutional functions in Parliament.

Warmly attached to your Royal Highness's person, and venerating the sovereignty with which you are invested, as an integral part of our envied Constitution, we cannot omit adding to our congratulations on your Royal Highness's escape, the expression of the just abhorrence with which we regard this meditated injury to your Royal person, and of our deep concern at the insult thus audaciously offered to your kingly office.

We also reprobate, with becoming indignation, the pernicious delusions which have of late been so actively propagated to inflame the existing distress into discontent and disaffection, and lament that they have partially promoted the designs of artful demagogues, by shaking the confidence of some of the people in their chosen representatives and hereditary protectors, and by rendering others so far forgetful of their allegiance to your Royal Highness as to offer violence to your sacred person. We trust, however, that these delusions will not long mislead, and that those who have been deceived, touched by the generous sympathy which their distress has excited in your royal breast, and grateful for the diffusive benevolence with which it

has been relieved, will cease to promote the interested views of those from whom they have received neither sympathy nor relief.

[Transmitted by the Marquess of Anglesey, G. C. B. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.
May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects the Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the Royal Borough of Tain, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with profound sentiments of duty, respect and attachment to your Royal Highness's Person and Government, and to express our horror and indignation, at the most daring and flagitious outrage offered to your Royal Highness on your return from the House of Parliament on the occasion of your Royal Highness exercising the sacred duties of the Crown.

With the deepest concern, we have to lament that any one within His Majesty's dominions should be found capable of so atrocious an attack on the person of your Royal Highness, and these we are convinced are the sentiments of every true lover of his Country, and of all those who duly estimate the blessings which all classes of the community enjoy from our invaluable Constitution, and who feel the highest pride in belonging to a kingdom which, under your Royal Highness's sway, and through the wisdom and firmness of your Government, has attained a degree of glory and renown unequalled in the annals of history.

We beg further to add that nothing shall be wanting on our part to promote on all occasions the general tranquillity, and our determination to support your Royal Highness's Government in defence of our inestimable Constitution by every means within our power.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment, and the seal of the Borough affixed hereto, at Tain, this 17th day of February 1817 years.

Geo. Murray, Chief Resident Magistrate.

[Transmitted by the Right Hon. William Dundas, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, the Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergy, and other Inhabitants of the County of Rutland, beg to approach your Royal Highness with expressions of our unfeigned sorrow and indignation, at the late atrocious and criminal outrage offered to the person of your Royal Highness, on your return from the House of Lords, after discharging, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, an important function of the Crown.

We most sincerely hope, that the loyalty of His Majesty's subjects will, on all occasions, so manifest itself as to prevent the possibility of a repetition of such a treasonable and wicked act of violence; and we beg leave to assure your Royal Highness of our firm attachment to your Royal person, and our resolute determination to support the honour and dignity of the Throne as established by our excellent Constitution.

Signed, by the unanimous order of a meeting holden at the Castle, in Oakham, in the said county of Rutland, on the 20th day of February 1817, in pursuance of a requisition to me for that purpose. *John Cole Gilson, Sheriff.*

[*Transmitted by Joseph Pearson, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful subjects, the Bishop, Dean and Chapter, and Archdeacon of Worcester, and the Clergy of the Diocese of Worcester, beg to lay before your Royal Highness our unfeigned sentiments of attachment to your person, and respect for the powers which you are discharging for the benefit of the State. We have heard, Sir, with abhorrence, of a late daring outrage perpetrated against your Royal Highness, in your return from exercising one of the most important functions of your authority. Much as we lament that an offence so flagitious and dastardly should have been committed, we feel some consolation in reflecting on the just resentment which it has roused in every good mind, and the constitutional feelings which it has excited in every loyal subject.

18th February 1817.

[*Transmitted by the Bishop of Worcester, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, REGENT of the United Kingdom.

The dutiful address of the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Town of Cambridge, in Common Hall assembled.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's faithful subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Common Council, Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Town of Cambridge, anxiously approach the Throne, and with feelings of ardent and unfeigned loyalty, beg leave to express to your Royal Highness, our detestation and abhorrence of the late atrocious and traitorous attack upon your Royal Person, when returning from the discharge of one of the first duties of your high station.

We cordially join with all who are truly loyal,

in fervent congratulation that your Royal Highness providentially sustained no personal injury from this daring and flagitious outrage.

The bold and undaunted manner in which men of desperate and abandoned character, availing themselves of the unavoidable distresses of the times, have too successfully endeavoured, by their inflammatory writings and harangues, to poison the minds of the people, and render them fit instruments of their treason against the Government, and against every principle of social order, have been observed by us with the deepest disgust and indignation.

We rely, however, with confidence upon the vigilance and energy of your Royal Highness's Government, upon the collective wisdom and firmness of the great council of the nation, and upon the good sense and characteristic loyalty of the great majority of all classes of His Majesty's subjects, for the suppression of these factious and treasonable designs; trusting also, that by a strict economy (of which your Royal Highness has graciously been pleased to afford so patriotic an example,) pervading every department of the State; by the revival of our trade, our agriculture and foreign commerce, and the consequent improvement of the revenue, your Royal Highness's Government will soon be enabled to reduce the expenditure within the income of the State; and without any violation of good faith toward the national creditor, to relieve the burthens which the people have so long and so patiently borne, and thus, by the blessing of Providence, this country may again enjoy an uninterrupted period of prosperity and peace, under the equal protection of our laws, and the paternal rule of your illustrious House.

Given under our common seal, this 21st day of February 1817.

[*Transmitted by the Honourable General Finch, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble and dutiful address of the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy and Freeholders of the County of Salop.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy and Freeholders of the County of Salop, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, with the tribute of our sincere congratulations on the providential failure of the late desperate and wicked assault upon your Royal Person, and with the expression of our indignation and concern, that individuals should be found so misguided and forgetful of the character of Britons, as to be seduced into an attempt thus atrocious and disgraceful. Convinced as we are, that our only safeguard against the aggressions of arbitrary power on the one hand; and the madness of popular tumult on the other, is to be found in the maintenance of the just authority of each branch of the legislature, as it was established by our ancestors, we avail ourselves gladly of this painful occasion, to profess our determined resolution to support inviolate, in all its parts, our invaluable Constitu-

tion, the pride and boast of this country, the envy and emulation of all others.

Signed in the name and by the appointment of the meeting, the 20th day of February 1817.

Thomas John Tyrwhitt Jones, Sheriff.

[*Transmitted by John Kynaston Powell, Esq.; and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Clergy, and other Inhabitants of the Town of Preston, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, publicly assembled, beg to lay before your Royal Highness the expression of our regret and indignation at the late daring insults and outrages offered to your royal person, whilst in the exercise of one of the highest and most important functions of Sovereignty; and to offer to your Royal Highness our most dutiful and cordial congratulations on your providential escape from the danger to which you were then exposed.

We solemnly pledge ourselves to maintain and enforce in our respective stations (as we feel it our best interest and bounden duty), a dutiful submission to the laws, and to oppose, to the utmost of our means and abilities, every attempt to infringe upon the Constitution, or disturb the peace and quiet of the realm.

By order of the meeting,

John Troughton, Mayor.

[*Transmitted by Samuel Horrocks, Esq. M. P. for Preston, 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 Mayor, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of Preston, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, in Common Council assembled, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness at the present alarming crisis, with sentiments of the warmest affection for our most Gracious Sovereign, of attachment to your Royal Highness's Person, and of veneration for the excellent Constitution under which we have the happiness to live.

We cannot sufficiently express our indignation and abhorrence at the enormities that have lately disturbed the peace of the metropolis, and at the still more daring outrage that was offered to your Royal Highness when engaged in the exercise of one of the highest functions of the Royal Prerogative.

We feel, most deeply feel, for the sufferings of the labouring classes of the people, and most gladly would we join in every practicable means for alleviating their distress; and we regret that any of His Majesty's subjects should have been so far led astray by the wicked and designing, as to violate the public peace, or be made to believe that a remedy can be found for the evils they endure in wild and visionary schemes of reform: schemes, which if unhappily carried into execution, would ultimately terminate in the subversion of the Throne, and the ruin of our excellent Constitution.

Relying, as we confidently do, on the firmness

of your Royal Highness's councils, aided by the wisdom of Parliament, trusting that in conformity with your Royal Highness's most gracious declaration, every retrenchment will be made in the expenditure of the State, consistently with the dignity and security of the Throne; and hailing with peculiar satisfaction the convincing proof, which your Royal Highness has given, how sincerely your Royal Highness sympathises in the sufferings of your people, (an example which cannot fail to operate upon others) we trust that under the Divine Blessing, the distresses under which the country at present labours, will not be of long continuance, and that the accustomed channels of employment in the different branches of commerce and manufacture will be soon opened to us again.

Truly grateful for the security and happiness which we have enjoyed under the mild and equitable Government of your illustrious Family, we feel it to be our duty thus publicly to declare, that we shall be always ready to support, to the utmost of our power, the lawful exercise of His Majesty's authority, to maintain unimpaired our excellent Constitution, and to resist every attempt to disturb the peace and destroy the liberties of our country.

John Troughton, Mayor, in open Council.

[*Transmitted by Samuel Horrocks, Esq. M. P. for Preston, 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 and dutiful Address of the Bailiffs, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Cardiff, and Bailiffs, Portreeves, and Burgesses of the contributory Boroughs of Cowbridge, Swansea, Avon, Neath, Kenfigg, Lougher, and Lantrissant.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, the Bailiffs, Portreeves, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Town of Cardiff and the contributory Boroughs, beg leave to address your Royal Highness, and to express the sentiments of indignation and abhorrence which we feel at the wicked and treasonable assault on your Royal Person, at a time when it was the duty of every loyal subject to support and defend your Royal Highness in the performance of the sacred duties of the Crown.

We are impressed with the deepest concern, that any persons living under the protection of the happy Constitution of these realms, could be found weak and wicked enough to make this atrocious and cowardly attempt against the sacred Person of your Royal Highness.

And we beg permission to add, that it shall be our constant endeavour, in our several stations, to evince our loyalty and attachment to your Royal House and Person, by preventing and opposing all riotous proceedings and all those seditious Meetings where the principles of treason and rebellion are covered under the specious mask of economy and reform.

[*Transmitted by Peter Walker, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of Shaftesbury, in the County of Dorset, and the principal Inhabitants of the said Borough and of the Neighbourhood, beg leave to offer to your Royal Highness our congratulations on your escape from the traitorous assault offered to your Royal Highness's Person on your return from the House of Lords, in discharge of the functions of our beloved Sovereign.

We feel a just indignation at this atrocious outrage, and hold in abhorrence those who were the authors or instigators of such an horrid design.

We feel, in common with the country, the present unprecedented distresses of our fellow creatures, but we confidently trust to the wisdom of Parliament, that what can be done in alleviation will be attempted, after mature discussions of all the circumstances connected therewith.

Your Royal Highness may rest assured, that our exertions will at all times be used to repress the attempts of those who, under any pretence, would promote or provoke riot, disturbance or disorder.

Given under the common seal of the Borough and signed by those whose names are hereunto subscribed, the 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord 1817.

[*Transmitted by Charles Witherell, Esq. M. P., and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble Address of the Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Town, and the Inhabitants of the Parish of Ellesmere, in the County of Salop.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, humbly beg leave to assure your Royal Highness of our affectionate and sincere attachment to His Majesty's Person and Family, and of our veneration for the Laws and Constitution of the Kingdom; and while, in common with the great body of our fellow subjects, we are impelled thus to express our sentiments of loyalty and patriotism, we lament that our indignation should have been aroused by a recent atrocious attack upon the Person of your Royal Highness, on your return from executing one of the most momentous functions of your exalted station, as the Representative of our revered and beloved Sovereign, in opening the Session of the British Parliament.

We are confident that the nation in general entertain the utmost abhorrence of any insult or indignity offered to the Sovereign or the Heir Apparent; and we beg leave to present to your Royal Highness the homage of our dutiful respect, and to express our readiness at all times to support His Majesty's Government in the discharge of its just and important duties, which are alike essential to

the honour and dignity of the Crown, and to the peace, safety, and welfare of the community.

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Bridgewater, 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, dutiful and loyal Address of the Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, and Commissioners of Supply of the County of Dumbarton, in a general meeting assembled.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, and Commissioners of Supply of the County of Dumbarton, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, with the renewed assurance of our zealous attachment to His Majesty's Family and Government, and with sentiments of horror and indignation; excited by the recent most malignant and treasonable attempt upon the life of your Royal Highness; when returning from the discharge of one of the most important functions which the Constitution has conferred upon the Chief Magistrate of the United Kingdom.

When we look to the person against whom this attempt was directed, and the occasion upon which it was made, we deeply feel this highly aggravated crime, as a violent outrage on the nation at large; and we regret to think that the contrivers and perpetrators of an offence of so heinous a nature should be found among those, who profess the character and enjoy the privileges of British subjects.

We take the liberty of embracing this opportunity to assure your Royal Highness of our undiminished love and reverence for the venerable Constitution of our country, and of our firm determination to resist every effort that may be made, by wickedness or folly, to subvert and overthrow a fabric, which has been erected and established by the labour of successive generations, and which has proved so eminently calculated to guard us from foreign conquest, to protect our civil liberties, and to secure our social comforts. That Constitution, and these blessings for which we are indebted, under Divine Providence, to the virtuous exertions of our fathers, we hope to transmit entire and unimpaired to our children.

In the present critical situation of the country, we confide in the energy of His Majesty's ministers, and in the wisdom of the legislature, for devising such measures as may be best calculated to alleviate those distresses, which we firmly believe to have arisen from temporary and unavoidable causes, and to be in no degree imputable to the conduct of Government; we deplore the efforts which are made, under the mask of patriotism, by factions and designing men, to delude and mislead the people of these realms, to inflame their worst passions, and excite them to violence and outrage; and we are fully resolved to support by all the means in our power, the just exercise of the authority of Government, in maintaining inviolate the sacred fabric of our venerable and invaluable Constitution;

and in securing a continuance of the inestimable blessings of civil liberty and social order.

James Calquhoun, Chairman.

County Hall, Dumbarton, 17th February 1817.

[*Transmitted by the Duke of Montrose, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble and dutiful Address of His Majesty's loyal subjects, the Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, and Commissioners of Supply of the County of Stirling.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most faithful and loyal subjects, the Freeholders, Justices of Peace, and Commissioners of Supply, of the County of Stirling, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, and to express our great abhorrence and detestation of the wicked and traitorous attack which was made upon your sacred Person, while on your return from performing one of the high duties of our beloved Sovereign: we heartily congratulate your Royal Highness, that a kind Providence has saved your Royal Highness from the blow of the assassin, and our country from what would have been one of the foulest stains in her annals; and we eagerly embrace this opportunity of declaring our sincere attachment to your Royal Highness and your illustrious House.

It is with feelings of the deepest regret that we trace this base crime, and other excesses which have lately disgraced the metropolis, to the delusions spread abroad by wild and visionary demagogues, who availing themselves of the temporary distresses of the country, mislead the ignorant, and, under the pretext of reform, would overturn our glorious Constitution.

Your Royal Highness has vanquished our enemies abroad, and we trust that the same wisdom and energy directing your counsels, will restrain, and ultimately bring to reason our domestic foes: for our part, we beg leave to assure your Royal Highness, that we will devoutly support the Throne and the Constitution, and our ardent prayer is, that your Royal Highness may be long preserved, to live in the hearts of a free, a loyal, and a happy people.

Subscribed in name and by appointment of the meeting, by Thomas Graham Stirling, Esq. of Airth, the Chairman, at Stirling, the 18th day of February 1817.

Thomas Graham Stirling.

[*Transmitted by Sir Charles Edmonstone, Bart. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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, the Lord Mayor, Recorder, City Council, Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Common Council of the City of York, in Common Hall assembled, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, and to declare our sentiments of abhorrence at the atrocious

outrage and insult offered to your Royal Highness on your return from opening the Session of Parliament, and at the same time to present our congratulations to your Royal Highness upon your happy escape from personal injury upon that occasion.

We cannot too strongly express our condemnation of all tumultuous riots, disorders, and other outrageous violations of the laws, and more especially, when directed towards the interruption of your Royal Highness in discharging the duties, and exercising the functions of your high and exalted station, in the name, and on the behalf of our gracious and beloved Sovereign.

Permit us to renew our assurances of loyalty to His Majesty, your Royal Father, of our unalterable attachment to your Royal Highness, and the other branches of his august Family, and to the principles of the glorious and excellent Constitution under which we have the happiness to live.

Robert Chaloner, Mayor.

[*Transmitted by the Hon. Lawrence Dundas, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood of Bradford, in the County of York, humbly beg leave to offer to your Royal Highness the assurance of our utter detestation and abhorrence of that wicked and traitorous outrage, which so recently exposed your Royal Highness, not to insult only, but to great personal danger, in the very exercise of those constitutional functions, which have been cast upon your Royal Highness by the deeply lamented indisposition of our venerable and revered Monarch.

With sincere grief do we learn that there are any of our fellow subjects to be found, capable of enormities so disgraceful to the national character, but we confidently hope that in numbers they are scarcely less despicable than in principles.

To that kind Providence, who, under the auspices of your Royal Highness's Government, bath exalted us among the nations, and who, even when he afflicts, still remembers his mercy, we are truly grateful for having shielded your Royal Highness from the attacks of such daring and nefarious disturbers of the public peace.

Earnestly do we implore a long continuance of the same gracious protection, and we entreat your Royal Highness to accept the pledge of our determination to resist, by all the means in our power, the machinations of the designing and disaffected against the Constitution and Government of this country.

Henry Heap, Vicar.

[*Presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness George, Prince of Wales, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Grand Patron of Free and Accepted Masons.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Members of the Britannia Lodge, No. 232, of Free and Accepted Masons, held at Shef.

field, in the County of York, most humbly beg leave to respectfully address your Royal Highness as a Brother, to express our utter abhorrence at the late daring, treasonable, and atrocious attempt which has been made upon the Person of your Royal Highness on your return from Parliament, and we beg leave to declare it our sincere wish and desire, that those who have been so desperate, together, with their aidors and abettors in attempting so diabolical an act, may be discovered, and brought to that punishment they so deservedly merit.

We further beg leave to congratulate your Royal Highness upon your providential escape, and to avail ourselves of this opportunity of declaring our firm attachment to your sacred Person in particular, and to the Royal Family in general, and our determination to defend and support our most truly enviable laws and Constitution.

Done in open Lodge, this 17th day of February 1817.

William Bowley, Master.
Samuel Hallam, Senior Warden.
John Gallimore, Junior Warden.

[*Transmitted by the Hon. Lawrence Dundas, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness George PRINCE REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Patron of the Order of Masonry, &c. &c. &c.

The Address of The Right Worshipful Master, Office Bearers, and Brethren of the Nairn Saint Ninian Operative Lodge of Free-Masons, No. 247, of Scotland. The Lodge do most sincerely thank Almighty God for protecting the Patron of their order.

IT is a peculiar pleasure to assure your Royal Highness that no Mason could, or would attempt the atrocious attack lately made upon the Person of your Royal Highness, while in the execution of your royal and most sacred functions.

Your Royal Highness may be assured this Lodge will with their lives and ability support the present happy Constitution of their country, and use their utmost endeavours to prevent tumult or discord.

Signed and sealed in open Lodge, at Nairn, the 18th day of February 1817.

John M'Watt, Master.

[*Transmitted by John M'Watt, Master, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness George, PRINCE REGENT of the British Empire.

The humble Address of the Right Worshipful the Masters, Wardens, and Brethren of the following Lodges of Free Masons, in the Town of Ayr, and New Town upon Ayr, holding conformable to Act of Parliament, under the Registry of the Grand Lodge of Scotland:

Newton, Saint James's, No. 124.
Ayr, Operatives, No. 136.
Ayr, Royal Arch, No. 163.
Ayr and Renfrew, Saint Paul's, No. 203.
Newton, Saint Andrews, No. 209.

May it please your Royal Highness,
WE beg leave most humbly to approach your

Royal Highness, and to declare our detestation and abhorrence of the treasonable and cowardly attempt to assassinate your Royal Highness in returning from opening the present Session of Parliament.

For although it is true, that we are only of the middling and lowest class of your Royal Highness's subjects, yet we hope to be found as loyal and dutiful as any in the Empire. And that we have learned, not only from our holy religion to be subject to the powers that are of God, but also, from the precepts of our Masonic fraternity, to love the brother-hood, fear God, and honour the King.

We therefore bless the Sovereign abettor of events for preventing the diabolical intention above alluded to from taking effect, and that God may protect your Royal Highness from all such base attempts, and strengthen the Government of your Royal Highness in these Realms, is the earnest prayer of, may it please your Royal Highness,

Your most obedient, dutiful, and loving subjects, the Right Worshipful Masters and Wardens and Brethren of the above Free Mason Lodges, and subscribed by our appointment, and in our name, by our respective Right Worshipful Masters.

Francis Dickson, R. W. Master, Newton, Saint James's, No. 124.

James M'Gechin, R. W. Master, Ayr, Operatives, No. 136.

Andrew Burns, R. W. Master, Ayr, Royal Arch, No. 163.

John Gibb, R. W. Master, Ayr, Ayr and Renfrew, St. Pauls, No. 203.

James Mullan, Newton, Saint Andrews, No. 209.

At Ayr, 20th day of February 1817.

[*Transmitted by the Master, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Noblemen and Gentlemen, Justices of the Peace, and Heritors of the County of Fife, in a general meeting assembled, beg leave to approach the Throne at this period, and to express our abhorrence and indignation at the recent gross outrage, attempted on your Royal Highness's sacred Person, while in the act of performing one of the most important duties of the Empire.

We regret that there should be found any individual so lost to the feelings, and so unworthy of the name of a Briton, as to be capable of making so foul and desperate an attempt. We rely on the vigour of your Royal Highness's Councils, aided by the wisdom of Parliament, for putting a speedy termination to those inflammatory and delusive publications, and to those seditious assemblies, which yet are too frequent in this country, and of which the late atrocious attempt has been the result. Though we are happy to assure your Royal Highness that the loyalty of His Majesty's subjects in this populous county yet remains unshaken—we feel it a duty to pledge ourselves to counteract by every means in our power their mischievous effects,

to support the Government of the country, to maintain inviolate our invaluable Constitution, and to reckon no sacrifice too great, which may ensure the transmission of those blessings, which we and our fore-fathers have enjoyed under the sway of your Royal Highness's Illustrious House, unimpaired to the latest posterity.

Signed in name, presence, and by appointment of the meeting, by *Kellie, Preses.*

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Morton, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The dutiful Address of the Portreeve, Freeholders, and Inhabitants of Tavistock.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Portreeve, Freeholders, and Inhabitants of Tavistock, desire to approach your Royal Highness with our sincere congratulations on your escape from a recent most detestable attack on your Royal Highness's Person; and while we feel at a loss sufficiently to stigmatize so atrocious an assault, we turn with pleasure to the communication just made by your Royal Highness's Ministers, that your Royal Highness had, commiserating, and in aid of the unparalleled distress of the country, consented to relinquish a portion of the Civil List, and that your Royal Highness's Ministers, profiting by so illustrious an example, were prepared to follow so judicious a course.

We here think it our indispensable duty to declare that our purest gratification arises from the hope, that this attention to the voice of your people is only the pretude to the entire redemption of the pledge, so solemnly given at the opening of the last Session of Parliament.

Whilst we are thus free to offer the tribute of our applause to a measure that cannot but have had its origin in constitutional feelings, we cannot refrain from expressing our indignation at the base attempts that have been made to throw the odium of this most disgraceful outrage on the friends of constitutional reform, who are as remote from those miscreants of anarchy on the one hand, as from the minions of corruption on the other.

We further desire to assure your Royal Highness that we view the Constitution, without its executive branch, as a pedestal without its statue, devoid of its chiefest ornament; and that we shall ever esteem it our highest duty, as it will be our greatest pride, to maintain in common with the other two, this most important branch of the State.

Tavistock, 13th February 1817.

[*Transmitted by Lord John Russell, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE 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 Portreeve, Free Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Borough of Callington, in the County of Cornwall, beg leave humbly to approach your

Royal Highness, with assurances of our most perfect attachment to your Royal Highness's Person and Government, and to express our indignation and horror at the late treasonable attempt on your Royal Highness's life.

We gratefully acknowledge and return our thanks for the gracious protection of a kind Providence afforded you on that occasion; and we beg leave humbly to assure your Royal Highness of our determination to support the glorious Constitution of these kingdoms in Church and State, as by law established.

Signed at the request and on behalf of the meeting. *W. H. Horndon, Portreeve.*

[*Transmitted by J. H. Tremayne, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble and dutiful Address of the Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the Burgh of Forfar.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE humbly request permission to avow the sentiments of attachment and loyalty which we feel towards your Royal Highness, and to express our horror and indignation at the daring and atrocious attempt made on your Royal Highness's person, while in the exercise of the Sovereign authority of the State. While we heartily congratulate your Royal Highness on your deliverance from the hands of wicked and sanguinary men, we humbly assure you, that we shall ever, with the warmest devotion, rally around the Throne and support the Government and Constitution of our Country; and that the same good Providence, which has now preserved your Royal Highness, may never cease to extend its guardian protection to you and your illustrious House, is our earnest hope and prayer.

Signed in name, and by appointment of the Magistrates and Town Council of Forfar, in Council assembled, this 17th of February 1817 years. *Charles Webster, Provost.*

[*Transmitted by Sir D. Wedderburn, Bart. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT:

The humble Address of the Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood of Swansea, in the County of Glamorgan.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's faithful and loyal subjects, the Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Swansea, in the county of Glamorgan, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with our assurance of duty and respect, to offer our sincere congratulations on your escape from the daring attack made on your valuable life, and earnestly hope the Almighty will preserve your Royal Highness for a length of years, and cause you to live in the affections of a generous and loyal people.

We beg to express our abhorrence at the outrage offered to your royal person, when on your return from exercising an important prerogative, and ful-

filling one of the highest duties of the State. We deeply lament there should be any within the realm capable of so atrocious an act; but trust the perpetrators of the flagitious deed may be brought to condign punishment.

Firmly attached to our admirable Constitution, we humbly desire to assure your Royal Highness that we are anxious to retain it inviolate; that we are determined, to the utmost of our power, to maintain the public peace, observe a due obedience to the laws, and support the just exercise of your Royal Highness's authority.

Rob. Nelson Thomas, Portreeve of Swansea.

[*Transmitted by Benjamin Hall, Esq. M. P. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Capital Burgesses, Free Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Borough of East Looe, in the County of Cornwall, humbly beg leave to present to your Royal Highness, our sincere congratulations on your Royal Highness's providential escape from the late atrocious and treasonable attack made against your Royal person.

And we entreat permission to assure your Royal Highness of our firm attachment to the Laws, Constitution, and Government of this United Kingdom, and that we shall exert our utmost endeavours to uphold, support and maintain the same.

Signed, for and on the behalf of the meeting, by
John H. Nicholas, Mayor of the said Borough; Thomas Bond, Town Clerk.

[*Transmitted by Vice Admiral Sir Edward Bullen, Bart. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, the Lieutenant-Governor, the Bailiff, and Royal Court, the Clergy, and the Constables, constituting the States of this His Majesty's Island of Guernsey, assembled, do most humbly and ardently beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, with the expression of our part of the general grief and indignation, at the base and atrocious attack on your Royal Highness's sacred person and authority.

No language will do justice to the feelings which must naturally be excited in every loyal and manly bosom on such an occasion; in proportion to the brave and generous spirit of their nature, and in proportion as the religious and social virtues are cherished, will those feelings be aroused and indignant.

We beg to assure your Royal Highness, that the

affliction at this crime, and abhorrence of its perpetrators, have no where been more general and sincere than in this island; and that the inhabitants of Guernsey will, in all emergencies, continue, as they have been, and as it is their pride to be, distinguished for their obedience to the laws, the maintenance of good order, and their firm attachment to your Royal Highness's Person, Family, and Government.

Guernsey, February 21, 1817.

[*Transmitted by Major-General Bayley, the Lieutenant-Governor of Guernsey, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble and dutiful Address of the Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Queen's Ferry.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Magistrates and Council of the Royal Burgh of Queen's Ferry, deeply impressed with a strong sense of the many high and valuable privileges the people of these kingdoms have enjoyed under His Majesty's illustrious reign and paternal Government, beg leave to express our utter abhorrence and detestation of the daring outrage and atrocious attack made upon the person of your Royal Highness, in the execution of one of the most important functions of your high office, the calling together your Parliament, on Tuesday the 28th ultimo, and to congratulate your Royal Highness on your providential escape from such a gross, daring and criminal outrage.

On such an occasion of vital interest to the Constitution, we feel exceedingly anxious to unite with His Majesty's other loyal and faithful subjects in testifying our respect and veneration for the august person of your Royal Highness, and our admiration of that glorious Constitution under which the people of the United Empire have enjoyed so many blessings; and we have the highest satisfaction in assuring your Royal Highness that we shall at all times feel it our happiness, as we shall esteem it our duty, to stand forward as the faithful guardians and defenders of both.

Signed, in our name and by our appointment, and the seal of the Burgh affixed hereto, at Queen's Ferry, this 17th day of February 1817 years.

William Taylor, Chief Magistrate.

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Roseberry, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]