

lowest, conducted themselves in a most quiet, dutiful, and loyal manner.

We fervently pray, that the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ may bless your Royal Highness, and henceforward have you under His safe and holy keeping, in His kindness lengthening out your life, that you may be a lasting and growing blessing to these greatly distinguished and privileged kingdoms.

Signed, in our name, by  
*William Smith*, Moderator.

Scots Church, London-Wall, March 19, 1817.

[Delivered by the Reverend *William Smith*, 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 Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Borough and Town of Bridport, and the Inhabitants of the same Town and its vicinity, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, and to offer our most sincere congratulations on your escape from the late daring and treasonable attack on your august person, whilst returning from the House of Lords, on the twenty-eighth day of January last, after opening the Sessions of Parliament.

We believe that this and the other atrocities of late committed in the metropolis have sprung from that delusive system, propagated with so much industry and too much success among the labouring classes of the community, by a set of factious and designing men, as desperate in their fortunes as profligate in their morals, and who wickedly attempt to subvert all order and Government, for objects of individual aggrandisement.

We beg to express our abhorrence of such flagitious proceedings, and of their authors and abettors, and to assure your Royal Highness of our attachment to yourself and our excellent Constitution; and whilst we acknowledge with gratitude to Heaven, the political blessings we enjoy under our happy form of Government, we pledge ourselves to come forward as one man, to shield it from the attacks of those, who, on any pretence may assail it, and to transmit it pure and inviolate to our posterity.

[Delivered by *Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Horace D. St. Paul* and *William D. Best*, Esq. and presented by *Viscount Sidmouth*.]

Address of the Magistrates, Town Council, and Community of the Burgh of Newtown-upon-Ayr, 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 Magistrates, Town Council, and Community of the Burgh of Newtown-upon-Ayr, beg leave to approach the throne, with expressions of the most sincere affection and respect for your Royal Highness.

We cordially join with all our fellow subjects in

the United Kingdom, in declaring our utter abhorrence of the violent outrage of wicked and malignant men, by which the life of your Royal Highness was brought into danger; and in offering up our unfeigned thanksgivings to Almighty God for his goodness and mercy, manifested in your safety and deliverance.

As members of a burgh, which holds its charter and privileges directly from your Royal Highness, it gives us a peculiar pleasure in having this opportunity of expressing the deep interest we feel in the prosperity of your Royal Person and Government.

Under your mild and peaceable, and prudent administration, we are astonished that there should exist in the breast of any individual of His Majesty's subjects a spirit of riot, turbulence, and faction; and while we declare our extreme detestation of those acts of insubordination, licentiousness, and sedition, that have lately disgraced some parts of the United Kingdom, we beg leave to assure your Royal Highness, that no symptoms of such a disposition have appeared in this place, and that to the utmost of our power, we will exert ourselves in maintaining loyalty and obedience to the laws of this realm among the inhabitants of this burgh.

May it please your Royal Highness, your Royal Highness's most faithful, most obedient, and most loyal subjects, the Magistrates, Town Council, and Community of the Burgh of Newtown-upon-Ayr.

Signed, in our name, and at our appointment, at Newton-upon-Ayr, this 20th day of March 1817, by

*William Lanson*, B. and *John Hunter*, B.

[Delivered by *Alexander Boswell*, Esq. and presented by *Viscount Sidmouth*.]

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

The dutiful and loyal Address of the Body of Freemasons of the County of Ayr, assembled at the desire of our Provincial Master within the Mother Lodge, Kilwinning (the ancient seal of Masonry), by Deputations of the Masters, Wardens, and Brethren of the respective Lodges.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Freemasons of the County of Ayr, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness in these momentous times with sentiments of the most profound respect, sincere loyalty, and unalterable attachment to His Majesty, your Royal Highness, and His Majesty's Family and Government; and to express our utter abhorrence and detestation of the wicked and treasonable attempt lately made on the sacred life of your Royal Highness.

We lament that any miscreants could be found so totally lost to every sense of the blessings enjoyed under the Constitution of these lands, and your Royal Highness's administration of our just and equitable laws, who could make so flagitious an attempt; and we trust they will yet be discovered and brought to condign punishment.

We feel, in common with our fellow-subjects, the distress of the present times, by the unsearch-