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THE following Addresses have been presented . to the King; which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously:

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty. May it please your Majesty,

WE, the undersigned Noblemen, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Bedford, feel ourselves imperatively called upon to lay our sentiments before your Majesty, at the present moment, when so many addresses have been presented to your Majesty containing opinions to which we cannot assent, and founded upon princi-

ples which we cannot acknowledge.

We do not presume to offer ourselves to your Majesty as your advisers upon the subject of those whom you may select as your confidential servants, we are willing to believe, that whatever men may be placed at the head of the affairs of this realm, they will honestly do their duty by your Majesty and their country: we yield to no men in an anxious desire to relieve those difficulties which, in common with the rest of your Majesty's subjects, we are aware now press upon the agricultural, commercial and other classes of the community; but we are irresistibly impelled to reprobate that course of argument which is addressed to the passions, instead of the reason, of our fellow countrymen, and which, under the semblance of urging them to disapprove of the actions and motives of one administration, does in fact, induce them to feel disaffected towards all Government.

We are told that there is no occasion for any present demonstration of loyalty, that the stream of sedition and blasphemy is limited in extent, and is only the necessary consequence of the weakness and wickedness of the present advisers of the Crown. We have a pride in believing that the mass of our fellow countrymen is untainted, but when we find that every occasion is seized by the desperate and seditious to insult our Sovereign, and hold up the other branches of the Legislature to odium and contempt, and when all that is valuable in the State and venerable in religion is aspersed and vilified, we feel that as honest men, Majesty's Councils, which, under Divine Providence,

anxious for the stability of the Throne, and (without undue partiality for one set of men,) desirous of supporting the Government of our country for the benefit of all, we are called upon to declare our individual and collective determination to rally round that Throne, and to cling to that Constitution, which affords equal security to the Peer and to the peasant, and which has made us the boast and envy of the world.

> [Here follow the Signatures.] [Presented by Lord Grantham.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty. Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful subjects, the undersigned Inhabitants of the Town and Borough of Bedford, being of opinion that existing circumstances demand from every loyal man, an open declaration of his sentiments to your Majesty and to the country, most humbly beg to assure your Majesty of our unshaken fidelity to your Majesty's Person and Government, and of our steady attach-

ment to the British Constitution.

We prize our liberty as highly as can any of our fellow-subjects, but convinced that nothing would more certainly deprive us of that blessing, than disobedience to the laws, and to those who are constitutionally placed in authority over us, we have witnessed with grief and indignation the success of falsehood and revolutionary arts in deluding the uninformed and unwary, and the increasing audacity of a most malignant, irreligious and seditious press, which does not scruple to ascribe corruptness of motive, and wickedness of design to all who are exalted in the State; and, by the foulest slanders, to excite in the ignorant hatred and contempt towards the sacred Person of your Majesty, the hereditary Counsellors of the Crown, and all that should command the reverence and affection of a free and religious people.

We are therefore determined to oppose these alarming evils, and to support our venerable and sacred institutions to the utmost of our power, and we trust that the same wisdom and firmness in your