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WHITEHALL, MAY 27, 1808.

The following addresses of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland having been transmitted by Francis Lord Napier, his Majesty's Commissioner, to the Right Honourable Lord Hawkesbury, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, have been by him presented to the King; which addresses his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously:

May it please your Majesty,

The gracious letter with which your Majesty hath been pleased to honour this Meeting of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, hath been received with equal respect and gratitude.

The renewed appointment of Francis Lord Napier to be your Majesty's High Commissioner in this Assembly, is in the highest degree acceptable to the Church of Scotland. We regard it as a proof of your Majesty's care and attention to the general interests of religion, and more particularly of your gracious attachment and regard to our National Church, that your royal person is represented among us by one whom we so highly and so justly value.

We are deeply impressed with the importance of the trust committed to us of instructing so considerable a portion of your Majesty's subjects in the great and awful truths of religion, and in those unerring rules of morality, of which the foundation is sought in vain in mere speculative reasoning, or in the unsatisfying hypothesis of philosophy.

It is our anxious wish and hope that those doctrines, which have so long flourished in our Church, may still be preserved in their original purity. And we are most sincerely grateful for the paternal solicitude with which your Majesty calls forth our zeal in their defence, at a

time when we are menaced by so gigantic a power, and nearly surrounded by the instruments of his unprincipled devastation. It shall be our earnest study that the loyal endeavours and persevering efforts of your Majesty's subjects may never be wanting in the cause of virtue and morality; that religion and honour may still be respected in our land. And we trust in the infinite mercy of God, that however ill we have deserved of that Almighty Power, by whose command alone empires rise and fall, he will not rigorously visit the sins of his people, nor send forth the avenging angel to destroy.

We shall endeavour to guard with the most vigilant care against every irregularity or abuse which time, accident, or the attempts of evil designing persons, may have a tendency to introduce into our Church government. And we entreat your Majesty to believe, that every exhortation which it is in our power to employ shall be used in preparing the people under our charge for the many hardships which they may be called to endure in the arduous contest in which we are at present involved.

We have received with respectful gratitude, and shall endeavour faithfully and zealously to employ your Majesty's royal donation of one thousand pounds for propagating the knowledge of the gospel in the highlands and islands of Scotland.

We entreat your Majesty to be at all times assured of our affectionate attachment to your person and government. And that Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, may protect your Majesty and prosper your councils; that he may bless abundantly our gracious Queen, the Prince and Princess of Wales, and all the members of your illustrious house; that he may long continue to us the inestimable benefits which we enjoy under your Majesty's reign; and that he may bestow upon you here-

after a crown of glory, are the prayers of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most faithful, most obedient, and most loyal subjects, the Ministers and Elders met in this National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Signed in our name, in our presence, and at our appointment, by
(Signed) ANDREW GRANT, Moderator.
Edinburgh, May 21, 1808.

May it please your Majesty,

We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, met in the General Assembly, embrace the earliest opportunity of approaching your throne at this interesting juncture, to express our sincere and inviolable attachment to your royal person and government.

We join most cordially with our fellow-subjects in every affectionate testimony of loyalty to our most gracious Sovereign, and of zeal for the honour and happiness of our country.

As servants of the God of Peace, we deplore the continuance of war, and its attendant miseries. We behold with astonishment and concern the alarming progress of the arms of France on the continent of Europe; and while we see our implacable enemy overturning the thrones of princes, and trampling upon the rights of nations, we are sensible of the danger to which our dearest interests as a nation are exposed; but we derive much encouragement from reflecting that the vigilance, wisdom, and vigour of your Majesty's councils have hitherto, by the blessing of Heaven, frustrated the hostile designs of the unnatural combination formed against us; and we trust that your Majesty, supported by the wise and generous patriotism of your faithful subjects, will be enabled, under God, to bring this arduous contest to an issue successful and glorious for Britain.

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