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St. JAMES'S, JULY 27, 1808.

The following address having been transmitted to the Right Honourable Lord Hawkesbury, his Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, has been by his Lordship presented to the King; which address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING'S Most Excellent Majesty.

May it please your Majesty,

We, the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council of your Majesty's good city of Edinburgh, deeply feeling the momentous importance of the present crisis in the fate of Europe, crave permission to approach your royal throne.

Representing the ancient metropolis of a kingdom long famous for maintaining its liberties against invasion, and sharing the benefits of your Majesty's paternal government, it is impossible for us to behold without the keenest interest the gallant struggles of the Spanish nation against foreign tyranny, since our own experience teaches us the blessings of legitimate freedom, and the history of our ancestors shews us how it ought to be defended. When we consider the eventful and invigorating spectacle of a gallant and injured people rising to a man in defence of their laws, their king, and their religion, against unprovoked and treacherous invasion, we cannot but nourish the animating hope that providence has destined the presumption of the oppressor of Europe to be the instrument of ruining his usurped power. It was, when possessed of all the resources of Spain, when wasting in the extensive plans of his own ambition, but in which she had not the remotest interest, the treasures of her colonies, and the blood of her subjects, it was then that the present ruler of France was

pleased, in the wanton insolence and lust of domination, to occupy her capital with his soldiery, to massacre its loyal inhabitants, to deceive, dethrone, and lead into captivity her unfortunate monarch and royal family. Thus he has at once treated with the foulest perfidy a nation celebrated from its earliest history for rigid adherence to public and to individual faith, and stigmatized with insolence and contumely a people proverbially jealous of national and of personal honour.

May we be permitted to hope that an aggression unparalleled in history for the treachery in which it commenced, the undisguised effrontery with which it was avowed, and the cruelty by which it was enforced; as it has already converted the most passive and useful ally of France into the most formidable enemy, may teach the other nations of Europe how little is to be expected from submission to such a foe; how much may be hoped from decided, determined, and uncompromising resistance. Above all, from the measures, alike prudent, liberal, and active, already adopted in your Majesty's Councils, we are encouraged to hope that no aid which the resources of your Majesty's kingdoms can supply will be withheld from those patriots who are now in arms, not solely in the cause of Spain, but in that of Britain, of Europe, and of the world. If it is the pleasure of God that their noble efforts shall be finally unsuccessful, let it not be recorded as a cause of their failure that Britain was a cold and indifferent assistant in so glorious a struggle. But if, as we hope, trust, and pray, the issue of the contest shall be successful, may it be written in the annals of Spain, that, not alone the wisdom of her patriotic councils, and the enthusiasm of her brave warriors, but the ready, the decided, unconditional, and disinterested succours of Britain, saved her from the yoke of a worse than Moorish conqueror,

and aided her to erect, in the preserved independence and renovated energy of her government, an insurmountable barrier against his insatiable ambition.

That God may grant your Majesty a long and happy reign, and may vouchsafe to direct your councils at this important crisis to the weal of Britain, of Spain, and of Europe, is the unfeigned and devout prayer of your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the City of Edinburgh.

Signed in our name, by our appointment, and in our presence, and the seal of the said city is hereto affixed.

DONALD SMITH, Provost.

Edinburgh, July 20, 1808.

[Transmitted by the Lord Provost.]

BANKRUPTS.

(From the London Gazette.)

Thomas Smallldridge, of the parish of Stock-in-tinhead, Devon, butcher.
John Owen Parr and Thomas Chase Patrick, late of Suffolk Lane, London, insurance-brokers.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

ALEXANDER GRAY, Coal-Agent in Glasgow.

THE Trustee on the said Alexander Gray's sequestrated estate has appointed a meeting of the Creditors to be held within the writing-room of Robert Wright, writer in Glasgow, upon Wednesday the 24th instant, at 2 o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of deciding on an offer of composition made by the bankrupt. Such of the Creditors as cannot attend, are requested to authorize others to act for them.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAM LEIPER, Senior, Bleacher in Huntly.

THE Trustees for the Creditors have ordered a division of the subjects realized to take place on the 26th of September next.

Claims, vouchers, and affidavits to be lodged with John Watson, advocate, Aberdeen, who will pay the dividends that day.

Price Sixpence.

