

you may exchange an Earthly for a Heavenly Crown, are and shall be the sincere and hearty 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

Edinburgh, John Hyndman, Moderator.
May 27, 1761.

The following Address of the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, has been transmitted to the Earl of Bute, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and by him presented to the King: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, as we heartily approve the Conduct of the Commission of the late Assembly, in congratulating your Majesty's auspicious Accession to the Throne of your Ancestors; so we embrace with Pleasure, this first Opportunity which our Meeting together in a National Assembly affords us, of expressing our own Joy on Account of an Event so happy for Great Britain.

The many Blessings which we had enjoyed, during so long a Tract of Time, under the mild and paternal Government of your Royal Grandfather, gave us the highest Reason to join in that deep and universal Sorrow, which filled the Nation on His Death. The Memory of so Just and Gracious a Sovereign, whose Counsels and Arms were so remarkably blessed by the Almighty, as it must long remain engraved on our Hearts, cannot fail to endear to us the more, every Descendant of His Illustrious Family.

With most lively Gratitude to Heaven, we now behold your Majesty raised, in the Prime of Life, to the Throne of these Realms; and, under your happy Administration, we have the greatest Reason to promise ourselves the Continuance and Increase of all publick Felicity. Trained up from your earliest Youth to every Princely Virtue: conspicuous for a Steadiness and Greatness of Mind superior to the Snarers of Royalt; endowed with a Heart and Affections truly British, and formed to know, and to love, that Constitution of which you are the Guardian; distinguished, in particular, for that sincere Regard to Religion, which adds so much Lustre to your exalted Character: Your Majesty became, from the Moment of your Accession to the Crown, the Object of the highest Hopes to all your Subjects. Every Step of your Administration, since that Time, has confirmed and enlarged these Hopes.

Nor can we omit to join in the general Admiration and Applause due to that Virtue, which disposed your Majesty to relinquish Power and Revenues, which, though most safely lodged in Hands so pure as your's, might have been employed, in some future Period, to the Prejudice of that Liberty which you love and cherish. With Hearts full of Affection, we repose an entire Confidence in your Majesty, as the great Defender of our Faith and Liberties, and, in particular, as the Protector of the Rights and Privileges of the Church of Scotland, which you have given us the most gracious Assurances of your Intention to maintain.

Permit us to assure your Majesty, that amongst all your Subjects, none are more distinguished for their Fidelity and Loyalty to your Person and Government, than the Members of the Church of Scotland. A Church, which dates the Era of its secure Establishment, from that happy Period of the Revolution, which introduced your Royal House to the Throne of Great Britain, must have the strongest Motive to a most sincere and faithful Attachment to your Majesty. Animated, as we are, with the deepest Sense of the inestimable Happiness we derive from our Sacred and Civil Constitution, it ever has been, it ever

shall be our zealous Endeavour to inspire with like Sentiments, all who are within our Influence, or under our Care. The Blessings of a wife and merciful Government, now so universally felt in every Part of your Dominions, give us the best Reason to hope, that your Majesty will reign in the Hearts, and may command the united Strength of all your People.

That the Great God of Heaven, by whom Kings reign, may crown all your Undertakings with Success; That He may inspire you with the Spirit both of Counsel and of Might; That He may scatter all your Foes; and, That after having long made you the Instrument of blessing a free and happy People, He may raise you to an High Place in His Glory Above, are the sincere and fervent Prayers of,

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The two following Addresses having been transmitted to the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary Pitt, have been presented to His Majesty: Which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,
The Humble Address of the Governour, Council, and Assembly of Barbados.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects in the Island of Barbados, the Governour, the Members of your Majesty's Council, and the Representatives of the People, humbly presume to crave your Majesty's most gracious Attention to the united and unfeigned Sentiments of our Hearts.

Penetrated with a just and lively Sense of the melancholy Event, we beg leave to condole your Majesty on the Decease of our late dread Sovereign your Majesty's Royal Grandfather.

The Monarch thus departing to a better Life, full of Days, and crowned with Glory, is not indeed to be lamented: But we cannot but deeply regret the Prince distinguished for Virtues, which become the Throne. Virtues, which give a Lustre to Dignity, and diffuse, throughout the most extensive Dominion, the Means of Tranquillity and Happiness.

But while we mourn our Misfortune, we will remember the Remoteness of our Situation. We will rather restrain the Emotions of our own Grief, than renew your Majesty's pious Sorrows.

Permit us then, most gracious Sovereign, to turn our Eyes to the fair Prospects that are opening before us. We joyfully congratulate your Majesty's Accession to the Crown. May the Days of your Reign be many; and may every Day be marked with Felicity and glory! Nor is a generous Mind less happy in succeeding to the Love and Affections of an united People, than to the splendid Rights of great Progenitors.

That the Counsels which were planned with the Wisdom and Experience of Age, will be carried into Execution with the Vigour and Vivacity of Youth, our Enemies will do your Majesty the Justice to believe. The declared Firmness of your Majesty's Purposes will augment the Impression.

But what Bounds can be set to the Hopes and Expectations of your Majesty's faithful Subjects! They know the personal Abilities of their Sovereign, the Gift of Providence improved by Culture: They see the frequent Examples in his own illustrious Family exciting him to a noble emulation; and they are conscious of the mighty Powers of a King of Great-Britain, zealously and unanimously supported by the Nation. A Nation that glories in being the Place of your Majesty's Nativity, and which is charmed with

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