

Law and Inheritance, than He reigns in the Hearts of a free, grateful and happy People, by unlimited Confidence and Affection.

May the King's Magnanimity, Wisdom and true Goodness ever endear Him to His faithful Subjects, and visibly interest the Almighty in His Behalf.

May the Queen preserve and improve those amiable Qualities, which first attracted the Regard, and now so justly engage the Affections, of a great King; and give the most pleasing Prospects to a mighty People.

May the domestic Happiness of the Royal Pair (united by sacred Rites, distinguished Virtues, and divine Goodness, and whom we have presumed to unite in this humble Address) long continue uninterrupted and undiminished. May it be cemented by Pledges of mutual Love, who shall inherit the princely Virtues of their Illustrious Parents. May it be the Measures of the fondest Wish, and their Example the Pattern of the most emulous Imitation, of their Contemporaries and Posterity: And may a numerous Series of succeeding Generations record and celebrate the conjugal Felicity, and the glorious happy Age of George the Third, the beloved King of Great Britain, and Charlotte his amiable and most accomplished Queen.

These our genuine Sentiments, and ardent Wishes, having the Seal of the Burgh affixed, are subscribed in our Presence, at Fortrose, this Fourteenth Day of December, in the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty one.

Alex. Houstoun, Præses.

The following Address of the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Norfolk, has been presented to the Queen by the Right Hon. the Earl of Orford, Lord Lieutenant of the said County: Which Address Her Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the Queen's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders, of the County of Norfolk.

Most Gracious Queen,

WE His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders, of the County of Norfolk, beg Leave to offer our most cordial Congratulations, on your Majesty's safe Arrival in these Kingdoms, and your Royal and Auspicious Marriage; deeply affected by what so nearly concerns the Happiness of our gracious Sovereign, and the Welfare of these Nations, and impressed with the truest Sentiments of Duty and Affection, permit us to express how much we participate in the general Joy on this particular Accession of Glory and Happiness to us. The very rare Endowments, and excellent Disposition, by which your Majesty's Character is so eminently distinguished, have not only created, but must justify our most sanguine Expectations from them. May these Kingdoms derive from this propitious Union, an illustrious Line of Princes, emulous of their Parents Virtues, inheriting to the latest Posterity, not only the Dominions of their Ancestors, but the Hearts and Affections of a grateful and loyal People.

Whitehall, December 26.

On Thursday Night arrived one of His Majesty's Messengers, with Letters of the 11th Instant, from the Earl of Bristol, His Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary at the Court of Madrid, by which it appears, That his Excellency having, by His Majesty's Orders, asked a Categorical Answer, with regard to certain Engage-

ments, offensive to Great Britain, supposed to have been contracted between the Courts of Madrid and Versailles; and Monsieur Wall having, by his Catholick Majesty's Order, refused giving any Satisfaction on that Head, the Earl of Bristol was preparing, in Obedience to His Majesty's Commands, to come away from that Court.

Berlin, Dec. 12. Prince Henry still continues at Barnitz; but as the Season is become extremely rigorous, he has put Part of his Army into Quarters of Cantonment in the Villages behind his Line, and it is said he has sent for the Shops or Booths, used by the Merchants of Leipzig in the Time of their Fairs, which are to serve as Guard Rooms for the Shelter of the Troops whilst on Duty.

The Elbe is now quite frozen over; and it is thought that if the Frost continues, it may produce new Operations between the Armies, as the free Passages of the River will greatly facilitate them.

Letters of the 9th from Stettin, just come in, inform us, that the Fortress of Colberg still continued to make a brave Defence; that the Russians lately made a new Attempt to take the Place by Storm, but were repulsed with Loss; and that the Duke of Wurtemberg had entrenched himself near Treptow, with an Intention to throw Provisions, &c. into Colberg.

Berlin, Dec. 15. It is said the King of Prussia entered Breslaw the 9th, and that his Majesty had put his Troops into Winter Quarters.

The Season being extremely rigorous, Prince Henry has put his Army into Quarters of Cantonment, the Left at Meissen, and the Right at Katzenhausen, in such a Manner, that they can quickly be assembled in Case of Need; and that his Highness continues still his Quarters at Barnitz.

The Army of the Empire, which is reckoned to be about Eight or Ten Thousand strong, is likewise gone into Quarters of Cantonment; their Left at Naumburg upon the Saal, the Right at Zwickau; and Marshal Serbelloni has his Quarter in the Center at Weida near Gerä.

Hamburg, Dec. 15. Colberg continues to defend itself with great Vigour; and, according to Letters from Stettin of the 9th Instant, the Russians have been repulsed at a second Assault which they lately made upon that Place.

The Prince of Wurtemberg marched on the 8th from Greiffenberg to Treptow, where he arrived the 10th; and there there were now some Hopes, as the Prince was reinforced by Generals Platen and Schenkendorff, that he would be able to succour the Town in Provisions.

The Diet in Sweden has been prorogued to the 22d of January next.

Cologne, Dec. 19. Orders arrived here the 14th in the Morning, for three thousand Men of this Garrison to hold themselves in Readiness to march on the first Notice. It is supposed the Allied Troops are in Motion.

Liege, Dec. 19. The Regiment of Lockman arrived, the 16th, on the Territories of this State, in their Way to the Lower Rhine. They march by the Campine, instead of coming to take their Quarters here. They are to be followed by the Regiments of Arbonniere and Anhalt.

Maastricht, Dec. 21. This Morning, about five Minutes past Two, the Magazine of Powder near the Brussel's Gate blew up with a most terrible Noise: The Guard of the Magazine, consisting of Eleven Soldiers, were all killed. The House of the Princess of Hesse Philistal was very much shattered; and her Highness buried under the Ruins. The House of Baron Salis, that was nearer the Magazine, was quite destroyed, and not one of the Family escaped except the Coachman. About Eighteen Persons perished by this Disaster, which was occasioned by a Cannonier plundering the Magazine in the Night.

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