

Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most faithful and loyal Subjects, the Provost and Bailies of your Burgh Inverness, in common Council assembled, do with Joy; equal; if possible, to our Duty and the illustrious Occasion, sincerely congratulate your Majesty upon the glorious Event of concluding an honourable, safe, and advantageous Peace. A Peace that secures the Honour and Commercial Interests of Great Britain in Europe, Asia, and Africa, and that gives, in America, a great Empire, bounded by the best Barriers that sound Policy could chuse, or Nature herself could give. By which Acquisition, not only the primary Cause of the late War; but likewise all future Occasions of any such Wars are there totally annihilated. While we reflect with Pleasure upon the unparalleled Success of your Majesty's Arms, we cannot but admire the Firmness, Steadiness, and Perseverance of your Majesty; the Wisdom and Conduct of your Councils, in bringing about a just and honourable Peace, when Matters Abroad became more and more embroiled; and when it was the important Question at Home, How it could be effected? or who would venture upon this arduous Business, and, in this Conjuncture, seemingly, an inexplicable Task? Experience and History irrefragably prove, that Great Britain has arrived at her present Pitch of Opulence, Power, and Respect, more by cultivating the Arts of Peace and Traffick, than by any other Pursuits. We cannot therefore sufficiently applaud your Majesty's good Dispositions and Paternal Attention to the Welfare and Prosperity of your People, in listening to, and accepting of, equitable Terms of Peace. Nor ought we here to omit the Regard which your Majesty showed to your Allies in this salutary Work: For by your Majesty's wise Conduct and Councils all Europe now enjoy the happy Fruits of Peace. No Burgh in your Majesty's Dominions showed more Zeal and

Ardour in procuring and promoting Levies for your Majesty in the late War; for, during the Course of it, we, as your Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in Conjunction with the Justices of the County, attested several thousand Men, who signalised themselves in the different Parts of the Globe, where they were employed. This great Drain of Men from one County and Town, must make us highly sensible of that Heaven-born Blessing, Peace. And it is now with unspeakable Satisfaction we learn, that the Survivors of these brave Fellows are to partake of your Majesty's Bounty, in Three grand and material Objects; viz. Agriculture, Fishing, and Manufactures: Objects worthy of the Royal Care and Cognizance; and which want so much to be encouraged and extended in this Part of your Majesty's Dominions, that scarce can they have any considerable Commencement, far less make any great Progress, without the Royal Aid.

Now permit us, most Gracious Sovereign, Father of your People, to assure your Majesty of our Duty to your Sacred Person; of our firm Adherence to your undoubted, legal, and native Title; of our Affection and Fidelity to your Family; and of our inviolable Attachment to your Government.

That the God of Peace may bless your Majesty, your Royal Consort the Queen, his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and your Royal Descendants, with all the Blessings of Peace, is the hearty Prayer of

May it please your Majesty,

Your Majesty's most faithful, most dutiful, and loyal Subjects, the Provost and Bailies of Inverness. Given at our Town-hall, the 16th of April, 1763, and ordered to be transmitted to our Representative in Parliament, Sir Alexander Grant.

The following Address of the Magistrates and Town Council of the Burgh of Fortrose, has been presented to His Majesty by Sir Alexander Grant, Bart. their Representative in Parliament, being introduced by the Lord of His Majesty's Bed-chamber in Waiting: Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Magistrates and Town Council of the Burgh of Fortrose, in Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most faithful and most loyal Subjects, the Magistrates and Town Council of Fortrose, humbly beg Leave to present to your Majesty (by the Hands of Sir Alexander Grant, Bart. Provost of this Burgh) our most sincere and most dutiful Congratulations upon your having, with so much Wisdom and Propriety, seized the favourable Opportunity of renewing the Negotiations for putting a Period to a bloody and expensive War; and upon these Negotiations happily ending in the safe and honourable Peace now proclaimed.—A Peace which, we humbly presume, has contributed not a little to the restoring Tranquility to Mankind.—A Peace, which brings a considerable Extent of additional Dominion to your Majesty; new Advantages and Security to the Trade of your Subjects; and, as far as human Caution and Foresight can be depended upon, promises Stability and Permanence.—A Peace, which gives the agreeable Prospect of returning many useful Hands to this, and other Corners of our Country, so much drained by the Numbers drawn out of them for composing and recruiting your Majesty's Sea and Land Forces: And a Peace, the Preliminary Articles whereof met with the just Approbation of both Houses of Parliament, and which cannot fail to give the truest Satisfaction to the unprejudiced and dispassionate (we humbly hope by far the greatest as well as the best) Part of our Fellow-Subjects.

May every Thing concur to strengthen your Majesty's Hands, and encourage your Royal Heart in pursuing the Advantages of this Peace, with the same Success, Magnanimity, and tender Regard to your People, with which you prosecuted the late War, in a Manner that does so much Honour to your Majesty, your Councils and Arms; and which will make such a shining Figure in the Annals of Great Britain.

We rejoice in the Privilege of approaching the Royal Presence, by our repeated Congratulations, upon the many glorious and important Events which have been crowded into the short Space past of your Majesty's most auspicious Reign, and in this new Opportunity of professing ourselves to be, as in Truth we are, with the most steady, zealous and affectionate Attachment to your Person, Family and Government,

Your Majesty's most dutiful
and most loyal Subjects,

The Magistrates and Town Council of Fortrose;

Subscribed in our Presence and by our Appointment, at Fortrose, this Nineteenth Day of April, in the Year One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty-three, by

Alex. Houston, Pteses.

Whitehall, April 18.

THIS Day their Excellencies M. Querini and M. Morosini, Ambassadors Extraordinary from the most Serene Republick of Venice, made their Publick Entry. They were received at Greenwich by the Right Honourable the Earl of Guildford, and Sir Charles Cottrell Dormer, Knt, Master of the Ceremonies accompanied