

els, and give Success to the Measures of Government for restoring Peace and bringing the rebellious Part of your American Subjects to a just Sense of the invaluable and peculiar Blessings that accrue to them from the happy Constitution of the British Empire, is our most earnest Prayer.

Signed in Name, Presence, and by Appointment of the Presbytery of Irvine, this Twenty-eighth Day of November, Seventeen hundred and seventy-five, by
Henry Graham, Moderator.

The following Address of the Justices of the Peace, Commissioners of Supply, and Freeholders of the County of Orkney, has been presented to His Majesty by Thomas Dundas, Esq; Representative in Parliament for the County of Stirling, 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.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Justices of the Peace, Commissioners of Supply, and Freeholders of the County of Orkney, think it our indispensable Duty at this Time to approach your Throne, and to testify our Regard and Reverence for your Majesty's Person and Government, and for the established Constitution of the British Empire.

Deeply impressed with these Sentiments, we view with Abhorrence the unnatural Rebellion which has broke forth among your Subjects in America, and the Anarchy and Confusion into which these once happy People have been so rashly hurried by the artful Designs of factious and desperate Men.—We earnestly hope that the Parliament, the Great Council of this Nation, will give your Majesty such Advice and Assistance, as will enable You not only effectually to crush this Civil War, but also to restore and establish in every Part of the British Dominions that Obedience and Regard to the Supreme Power of King and Parliament, which every good Subject must clearly perceive can alone continue and insure to them the innumerable Blessings they enjoy from our happy Constitution, and your Majesty's most lenient Government.

With unfeigned Zeal we assure your Majesty, that we will at all Times concur, with others of your faithful Subjects, in every Step which your Majesty's paternal Care and the Wisdom of Parliament shall deem necessary to be taken, for repressing the unlawful Violence and Confusion now existing in America, which is so contrary to the Spirit of true Liberty, and destructive and dangerous to the Peace and Happiness of this Empire.

Signed, in our Name and at our Appointment, by our Prefes;

Patrick Graeme, Prefes.

Orkney, November 30, 1775.

The following Address of the Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the Burgh of Rutherglen, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable Lord Frederick Campbell, 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.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

YOUR Majesty's loyal and dutiful Subjects the Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the Burgh of Rutherglen, deeply impress'd with a Sense of the many Blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's mild Government, beg Leave most humbly to approach your Throne, and to declare our Disapprobation and Abhorrence of the Rebellion now supported by some of your Majesty's deluded Subjects in North America, against their lawful Sovereign and the Constitution of the British Empire.

We sincerely wish, that the Measures adopted by your Majesty and Parliament may be vigorously prosecuted, for reducing your rebellious Subjects under a due Obedience to the Laws, and for establishing the Dependence of the Colonies on their Mother Country.

Permit us to assure your Majesty of our firm Attachment to your Royal Person and Family, and of our sincere and hearty Resolution to support the Administration of your Majesty's Government.

Signed in Presence, and by Appointment of the Magistrates and Town-Council, this Twenty-ninth Day of November, Seventeen hundred and seventy-five Years.

James Fleming, Provost.

The following Address of the Gentlemen, Heretors, Freeholders, and Clergy, of the Counties of Ross and

Cromarty, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable James Stuart Mackenzie, 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 Gentlemen, Heretors, Freeholders, and Clergy of the Counties of Ross and Cromarty, assembled at Dingwall, this 23d Day of November, 1775 Years.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

Uninfluenced by the artful Chicane of Party, unacquainted with the venal Prostitution of Faction, but firmly attached to your Majesty's Person and Government, we, your Majesty's most faithful and loyal Subjects, the Gentlemen, Heretors; Freeholders, and Clergy of the Counties of Ross and Cromarty, though locally distant, presume to approach the Throne, at this most important and critical Period.

The impartial Administration of Justice, tempered with Mildness and Mercy, the equitable Measures pursued for the Good of the whole Empire, and the Protection we are blessed with in the Enjoyment of our Liberties, both Sacred and Civil, under your Majesty's Government, must distinguish your Majesty's Reign in the Annals of the British Constitution.

Free and happy as we are, it is therefore with an inexpressible Concern we behold many of our Fellow-Subjects in America, incited and supported by factious and designing Men at Home, violating all the sacred Ties of Cordiality and Commerce, which should subsist between the Mother Country and her Colonies, taking up the Arms of unnatural Rebellion, and actually engaged in Hostilities with the Parent who tenderly fostered and supported them with her Treasure and Blood.

We place the justest Reliance upon the Wisdom and Steadiness of your Majesty's Councils, whereby we soon hope to see re-established the supreme Authority of the British Legislature over every Part and Dependency of its extensive Empire.

Since the lenient Measures and Moderation hitherto shewn have not brought back the deluded Sons of America to a Sense of their Duty, but call for stronger and coercive Measures, we therefore beg Leave, in the most respectful and dutiful Manner, to assure your Majesty, that we will at all Times, to the utmost of our Power, be ready to support your Majesty, and the Honour and Dignity of your Crown, as well as the Legislative Authority of these Realms, in Defence of our inestimable Constitution; and that, for these Ends, we shall have no Hesitation in convincing your rebellious and deluded Subjects in America, that with the same Cheerfulness we so profusely spill'd our Blood in the last War, in defending them against their and our natural Enemies, we are now ready to shed it, if necessary, in bringing them back to a just Sense of their Duty and Allegiance to your Majesty, and their Subordination to the Mother Country: And we can assure your Majesty, that these are the Sentiments which prevail among all Ranks of People in these Northern Parts of your Majesty's Dominions.

Signed in our Presence, and by our Appointment, by
Harry Munro, Praeles.

The following Address of the Magistrates and Town-Council of the Burgh of Inverury, has been presented to His Majesty by Colonel Staates Long Morris, 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.

Council-Hous of Inverury, November 23, 1775.

To the KING's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Magistrates and Town-Council of the Burgh of Inverury.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Magistrates and Town-Council of Inverury, think it our Duty at this Time to approach the Throne, and humbly speak our Sentiments, on the present most alarming Crisis of Publick Affairs.

While under your Majesty we enjoyed all the Blessings of the best Government the Wisdom of Man ever devised, we have seen with Indignation the malignant Breath of disappointed Faction, by prostituting the sacred Sounds of Liberty, too successful in blowing the Sparks of a temporary Discontent into the Flames of a Rebellion in your Majesty's Colonies, that we from our Souls abhor.

This is now grown to such a daring and dangerous Height, that we doubt not the same paternal Tenderness that directed the lenient Measures, with which the first Swellings