

Pretext they may be grounded, are not only contrary to Law, but dangerous to the most important Interests of this Kingdom: And We do further require and command all and every Our Magistrates aforesaid, that they do, from Time to Time, transmit to One of Our Principal Secretaries of State, due and full Information of such Persons as shall be found offending as aforesaid, or in any Degree aiding or abetting therein; it being Our Determination, for the Preservation of the Peace and Happiness of Our faithful and loving Subjects, to carry the Laws vigorously into Execution against such Offenders as aforesaid.

Given at Our Court at the Queen's House, the Twenty-first Day of May, One thousand seven hundred and ninety-two, in the Thirty-second Year of Our Reign.

G O D save the KING.

*Whitehall, June 5.*

The following Addresses, transmitted to the Right Hon. Henry Dundas, His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, have been by him presented to the King: Which Addresses His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Right Honorable the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the City of Edinburgh, in Common Council assembled.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of this your ancient City of Edinburgh, think themselves called upon, at this Time, to express in the strongest Manner their Zeal and Attachment to the Constitution of their Country, their Loyalty to their Sovereign, and their Gratitude for that warm Manifestation of his fatherly Affection to his People, which is displayed in his late Royal Proclamation:

We should hold ourselves most unworthy to live under that Constitution which secures to us the highest Measure of Civil Liberty, and under the Protection of those Laws which guard our Lives, and defend us in the peaceable Enjoyment of our Properties, if we could behold, with supine Indifference, the insidious but alarming Attempts of those Enemies to their Country, who seek to poison the Minds of the People of these Realms, by instilling into their Breasts a Jealousy of that Government, which has no other End but their Happiness; by raising up the Shadows of Grievances which were never felt but in Imagination; and by holding forth to their Eyes the Expediency of Innovations and Amendments of that System, which, once unhinged, the same Spirit of Faction and of Anarchy may, for aught that human Wisdom can foresee, proceed utterly to Annihilation.

Inconsiderable as may be the Number of those evil-minded Men who disseminate or adopt such Principles, and impotent, as we trust in God, all such Attempts shall be, to undermine the Civil Happiness

of these Nations, and to destroy that unexampled Political Prosperity which we at this Time enjoy, we beg Leave, Sir, to testify our most sincere and hearty Approbation of those Measures which your Majesty's Wisdom has thought proper to recommend in your Royal Proclamation, with a View to the Suppression of all seditious Writings arraigning the Constitution and Government of these Realms, as established at the Glorious Revolution, or inculcating Doctrines subversive of all Civil Order and Subordination: And with that dutiful Obedience which we owe to the Commands of our Sovereign, when he speaks, as he ever does, the Language of Affection to his Subjects, and of Regard for their Rights and Liberties; and acting under the Authority of those Laws, which, if well understood and properly enforced, are completely effectual for the Maintenance of the Public Peace, it shall be our earnest Endeavour, in our Capacity of Magistrates, to exercise those Powers with which we are entrusted for the Safety of the Community, and the good Order of all who are within the Limits of our Jurisdiction.

Signed and sealed, in our Presence and by our Appointment, this 30th Day of May, 1792.

*James Stirling, Provost.*

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Provost, Magistrates and Council of the Burgh of Stirling.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, beg Leave to express our Gratitude to your Majesty for the Publication of your late Royal Proclamation against seditious and inflammatory Writings, in order to preserve the Peace and Tranquillity of these Kingdoms from the Attempts of wicked and designing Men.

Highly sensible of the Happiness which we enjoy under the best of Sovereigns, and blessed with a Constitution which is deservedly the Admiration of the Universe, by which the Prince and the Peasant are equally protected from Danger and Oppression, we bend in grateful Homage to Him by whom Kings reign and Princes decree Justice, that we are so highly favoured among the Nations, while many around us are groaning under Anarchy, Confusion, and Despotism.

May your Majesty long reign over a free and a happy People, and may you be enabled to hand down our Constitution in Church and State unimpaired to latest Posterity.

Signed in our Names, and by our Appointment, at the Town-House of Stirling, this 31st Day of May, 1792 Years,

*Henry Jaffray, Provost.*

*St. James', June 5.*

Yesterday being the Anniversary of the King's Birth-Day, the same was observed at Court, where there was a very numerous and splendid Appearance of the Nobility, Foreign Ministers, and other Persons of Distinction, to compliment His Majesty on the Occasion. The Guns in the Park and at the Tower were fired at One o'Clock; and in the Evening there was a Ball at Court, and Illuminations and other public Demonstrations of Joy throughout London and Westminster.