

ledge of your Royal Highness's dutiful behaviour, and of the wisdom and vigour with which your Royal Highness has conducted the government during his indisposition.

We beg leave to return your Royal Highness our best thanks for the readiness with which you undertook the government, under the temporary restrictions which Parliament judged necessary, on grounds not connected with your Royal Highness's character, and from the success which attended your Royal Highness's measures, under the disadvantage of those restrictions, we form the most favourable hopes of your future government.

In your Royal Highness's anxiety to avail yourself of the services of the friends of your youth, we have a proof of the sincerity and warmth of your affections as a man; in your gracious declaration, that, as Regent of these realms, you have no predilections to indulge, no resentments to gratify, no objects to obtain, but such as are common to the whole empire;—we have a proof that your Royal Highness is deeply impressed with the true principles of the British constitution, and with the motives which ought to direct the Sovereign of these realms in the choice of his Ministers.

Convinced that your Royal Highness, whether as Regent, or, in due time, as our future Sovereign, will steadily adhere to such generous and constitutional sentiments, we cannot doubt that your Royal Highness will continue to receive the most cordial and loyal support from all ranks of His Majesty's subjects.

We beg leave most cordially to congratulate your Royal Highness on the brilliant success which has lately so conspicuously distinguished His Majesty's fleets and armies. We reflect with feelings of pride and exultation on the splendid achievements accomplished by His Majesty's arms in Spain and Portugal. We look forward with the most lively interest to the great struggle which is there maintained against the common enemy of independence and social order: we rely upon the protection of Divine Providence in so just a cause, and feel confident that, by a continued display of the same skill and irresistible bravery on the part of His Majesty's arms, and by a perseverance in the same wisdom and vigour in the councils of your Royal Highness, you will ultimately be enabled to bring the arduous contest in which we are now engaged to a successful and honourable issue, not less favourable to the interests of Europe, than from its commencement it has been glorious to the British name.

We cannot separate without also condoling with your Royal Highness on the loss you have lately sustained by the atrocious assassination of an able and upright Minister; and we sincerely sympathize in the distress and embarrassment which that detestable event must have occasioned to your Royal Highness. But we put our trust in Almighty God, that his goodness will enable your Royal Highness, with such Ministers as you may appoint, to continue to conduct the administration of our affairs with equal comfort to yourself, and advantage to the country.

We also take this opportunity of expressing to your Royal Highness our concern for the tumultuous proceedings in some of the midland counties, which appear to us to mark a sanguinary and revo-

lutionary spirit, which we trust that your Royal Highness will take the most prompt and vigorous measures to put down; and we assure your Royal Highness of our determination, at the utmost hazard of our lives and fortunes, to stand by your Royal Highness in the support of our glorious constitution, of which we consider the royal prerogative to be a most essential part.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment, by Alexander Marjoribanks, Esq. of Marjoribanks, Preses of the Meeting, at Linlithgow, the 25th. day of May, 1812 years.

*Alexander Marjoribanks, Preses.*

[Presented by Major-General Alex. Hope.]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

The humble Address of the Inhabitants of the Borough of Tewkesbury, in the County of Gloucester.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the inhabitants of the Borough of Tewkesbury, humbly presume to approach the throne to express to your Royal Highness our unqualified abhorrence and detestation of the atrocious assassination and murder of your Royal Highness's late Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Spencer Perceval, within the walls of Parliament.

While we sincerely lament, with the rest of His Majesty's subjects, the untimely fall of a man so eminently endowed with every public and private virtue, our grief is increased by the reflection, that it was effected by a crime so revolting to the first feelings of human nature; and though our indignation be justly raised against the perpetrator, instigated, as he was, by no other motive than the most malignant and deliberate revenge, we cannot but acknowledge a degree of consolation, that the atrocious deed was wholly unconnected with any political measure, and originated with, and was confined to himself.

Deploring, as we feelingly do, the loss which your Royal Highness and the country have sustained by the lamented fate of that eminent statesman, we deeply participate with all ranks of His Majesty's subjects in the general grief and indignation, and will earnestly unite to maintain and preserve those just and equal laws, and that happy form of government, which are the stability of the throne, and the best security to the persons and property of the people.

At the request of the meeting,

*W. G. Maxwell, Chairman.*

[Presented by Mr. Codrington and Mr. Traey, Members, and Mr. J. Dowdeswell, Recorder.]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, the Guild, or Brotherhood of Masters, and Pilots' Seamen, of the Trinity-House, of Kingston-upon-Hull, most humbly approach your Royal Highness with the sincerest sentiments of condolence on the late atrocious assassination of the Right Honourable Spencer Perceval. But whilst we deeply deplore the melancholy circumstance, yet we derive some small consolation in finding that the wretched perpetrator of the foul deed has had no associates