

most disinterested and pious proofs of filial affection, but by a firm and unshaken attachment to the genuine principles of the Constitution, and an unceasing zeal to advance the welfare and the glory of the United Kingdom.

The important period at which it has pleased Providence to summon your Royal Highness to wield the sceptre of this powerful nation, is pregnant with difficulty and danger; yet, in no former time has the national character stood higher in the opinion of the world: amidst the awful changes which have taken place in the nations around her, Britain has remained unshaken; to what then next to the favour of Divine Providence is she indebted for her safety, but to those principles which settled the Crown upon your illustrious house, and to her excellent and matchless Constitution.

Strongly and unalterably attached to those principles, and anxious to preserve the internal peace and prosperity of the country, we regret that the conduct of any portion of our fellow-subjects should give cause for alarm, or induce the painful necessity of urging our apprehensions at the foot of the throne; but we owe it to the memory of our ancestors, as well as to the character of this ancient and loyal corporation, not to remain inattentive to the claims made by the Roman Catholics of Ireland; claims, pressed by them, not only without qualification or reserve, but insisted on as a matter of right, requiring a total and unconditional repeal of those laws, which are the safeguard of our civil and religious establishments, and the bulwark of our happy Constitution. Under its blessings, administered by the Protestant house of Brunswick, England has withstood the storms which have desolated the fairest portion of Europe, and is now engaged in an arduous and mighty contest with the avowed and implacable enemy of her liberty and independence. We lament, therefore, to observe, that in this her hour of peril, claims of a tendency so dangerous and calculated to distract the councils of your Royal Highness, should be advanced by any class of His Majesty's subjects, and which, if conceded to the extent demanded, must shake the security and settlement of the Protestant succession.

We therefore implore your Royal Highness, that whatever measures may appear necessary to be adopted by the councils of your Royal Highness on the present important subject, they may be so guarded, as fully and effectually to secure the Protestant establishments, and that the throne of your ancestors may be transmitted with undiminished splendour to your remotest posterity.

Joseph Curry, Chamberlain.

[Transmitted by His Grace the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]

Foreign-Office, February 20, 1813.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to appoint William Laird, Esq. to be His Majesty's Consul at Malaga.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has also been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to appoint Bernard Athy, Esq. to be His Majesty's Consul at Alicante.

Whitehall, January 22, 1813.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to declare and ordain, that Henrietta Charlotte, wife of George Harry Grey, commonly called Lord Grey (son and heir apparent of George Harry Earl of Stamford and Warrington); Susan, wife of Major-General Henry Clinton; Katherine, wife of the Honourable Edward Stewart (son of John late Earl of Galloway; and Augusta Charteris, daughters of Francis Charteris, commonly called Lord Elcho, deceased, and sisters of Francis now Earl of Wemyss in Scotland, shall from henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same titles, place, preheminance, and precedence, as if their said late father had survived his father, Francis late Earl of Wemyss, deceased, and had been actually possessed of the honour and title of Earl of Wemyss:

And also to command, that the said order be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.

Whitehall, January 22, 1813.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent hath been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to declare and ordain, that Alicia Gordon, the daughter of George Gordon, (commonly called Lord Haddo) deceased, and sister of George, now Earl of Aberdeen, &c. in Scotland, Knight of the most ancient and most noble Order of the Thistle, shall from henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same title, place, preheminance, and precedence, as if her said late father, had survived his father, George, late Earl of Aberdeen, &c. deceased, and had actually been possessed of the honour and title of Earl of Aberdeen:

And also to command, that the said order be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.

Whitehall, August 20, 1810.

The King has been graciously pleased to grant unto Joseph Martyr, of Greenwich, in the county of Kent, Esq. on behalf of his youngest son Alexander Cobham Martyr, an infant, His Majesty's royal licence and authority, that his youngest son the said Alexander Cobham Martyr, and his issue, may take and use the surname and bear the arms of Cobham only, out of grateful and affectionate respect to the memory of Alexander Cobham, late of Shinfield-Place, in the county of Berks, Esq. deceased, and in compliance with an injunction contained in his will; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the Heralds'-Office, otherwise His Majesty's royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And also to order, that this His royal concession and declaration be registered in His College of Arms.

Whitehall, February 20, 1813.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed James Palmer, of Ormskirk, in the county of Lancaster, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.