

That when, amidst so many perils, we look around for the benefits by which they are to be compensated, we can find nothing but promised forbearance and conditional loyalty.

We beg leave further to represent to your Royal Highness, that concessions to the Roman Catholics, instead of producing the promised satisfaction and unexpected gratitude, appear to have been uniformly considered by them as beneficial only so far as they might afford more powerful means of aggrandizement, and have served only to excite new demands, urged by louder clamours and bolder efforts for disturbance.

That it is therefore vain to expect at their hands, whatever be the concession, even from the unconditional surrender of all they now demand, such a change, either in opinion or feeling, as would lead to the future tranquillity of Ireland; on the contrary, the powers thereby conceded would open more extended views to individual ambition, and, by affording more effectual means, excite the more ardent pursuit of ulterior objects, already suggested by some of their leaders—the aggrandizement of their hierarchy, the ascendancy of their religion, the subversion of the Protestant Church, the possession of its revenues and of the forfeited estates, with others possibly of more remote contemplation.

Already have those leaders moulded their followers into an instrument of party, assuming the exclusive and arbitrary direction of the elective franchise of the whole Catholic population of Ireland, denouncing all candidates who do not support the principles and the men they are pleased to approve.

An usurpation so monstrous and so tyrannical may well teach the Catholics themselves how little liberty would be permitted, even to them, under the domination of their own religion, and furnishes to all other men such a warning as must appal their most enthusiastic advocates.

That under the Constitution, framed and administered as it has been, and under the auspices of your Royal Highness's most august Father, the inhabitants of the British Islands have enjoyed an extent of regulated liberty unknown to any other portion of the human race in any age or country; and the empire has risen to a degree of power and renown beyond all former times, secure in its own greatness, amidst the wreck of nations, the refuge of the oppressed, the avenger of the wrongs and assertor of the independence of Europe.

While we thus deduce the glories of the British Empire, and the happiness of millions, from the Constitution as it stands, we cannot suppress our humble, but most anxious hopes, that it may long remain unchanged, to dispense to future ages, under the protection of your Royal Highness and your illustrious family, the inestimable blessings of liberty.

Under these impressions, therefore, we beg leave with all humility to implore your Royal Highness to preserve the Constitution as established at the Revolution, Protestant in Church and State, and that the laws by which the Roman Catholics are excluded from power may not be repealed.

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

Navy-Office, March 3, 1813.

**T**HE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give notice, that on Friday the 26th instant, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Commissioner Fanshawe will put up to sale, in His Majesty's Dock-Yard at Plymouth, several lots of Old Stores, consisting of

Old Rope, Shakings, Junk, Hammocks, Bolt-rope, Canvas, Flock Beds, Iron, Casks, &c. &c. all lying in the said Yard.

Persons wishing to view the lots, must apply to the Commissioner of the Yard for a note of admission for that purpose.

Catalogues and conditions of sale may be had here, and at the Yard.

R. A. Nelson, Secretary.

#### CONTRACT FOR CANVAS HAMMOCKS.

Navy-Office, February 20, 1813.

**T**HE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy do hereby give notice, that on Thursday the 11th of March next, at one o'clock, they will be ready to treat with such persons as may be willing to contract for supplying His Majesty's Yards at Deptford and Woolwich with

Canvas Hammocks.

A pattern of the hammocks, and a form of the tender, may be seen at this Office.

No tender will be received after one o'clock on the day of treaty, nor any noticed, unless the party, or an agent for him, attends.

Every tender must be accompanied by a letter addressed to the Navy Board, and signed by two responsible persons, engaging to become bound with the person tendering, in the sum of 3000l. for the due performance of the contract.

R. A. Nelson, Secretary.

#### OFFICE FOR TAXES, SOMERSET-PLACE.

March 9, 1813.

**P**ursuant to an Act, passed in the forty-second year of His present Majesty's reign, notice is hereby given, that the price of the Three per Centum Consolidated Bank Annuities, sold at the Bank of England this day, was £59 and under £60 per Centum.

By order of the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, Matt. Winter, Secretary.

Guildhall, London, March 5, 1813.

**N**otice is hereby given by the Committee for carrying into execution the Acts of Parliament for rendering more commodious and for better regulating the port of London, that from and after the 25th day of March 1813, the Harbour Master's-Office will be removed to the house at the corner of Saint Catharine's-Stairs, by the Tower. Woodthorpe.

Union Fire-Office, Cornhill,

March 8, 1813.

**T**HE Directors of this Office give notice, that the half-yearly General Meeting of the Members will be holden at their Office in Cornhill, on Monday the 29th instant, at twelve o'clock at noon, to receive the report of the state of the Office.

By order of the Board,

Thomas Lewis, Secretary.