

THE following Addresses have been presented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent, which Addresses His Royal Highness was pleased to receive very graciously:

To His Royal Highness George Prince of Wales, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Deputies from the several Congregations of Protestant Dissenters of the Three Denominations, residing in and about the Cities of London and Westminster, humbly beg leave to approach the throne to offer to your Royal Highness our warmest congratulations on the successful and glorious termination of the late tremendous contest; protracted by the gigantic efforts of a mad and unprincipled ambition, till Europe has been convulsed to its centre, and millions involved in misery and ruin.

In contemplating this grand event, while we admire the fortitude and bravery of our illustrious Allies, we cannot but exult in the accession of glory which Britain has obtained from the part she has taken in the conflict; nor do we less applaud that spirit of magnanimity and moderation which ruled the allied councils in the hour of triumph, and contributed so largely to the accomplishment of a pacification on which we trust that we may safely build the hope of permanent peace and happiness. Above all, we desire to bow in grateful adoration before that over-ruling Providence whose wise and beneficent hand has conducted us through so many perils, to a state of quiet and security.

But, feeling on all these topics only in common with our fellow subjects, we cannot as Protestant Dissenters approach your Royal Highness's presence to express our sentiments of the just and equitable spirit of your Royal Highness's government as conspicuous of these most important and wide spreading concerns, without at the same time taking occasion to acknowledge the advantage we have derived from the extension of its influence to ourselves. During the century which has elapsed since the illustrious family of Brunswick has swayed the sceptre of these realms, we have participated in the general weal; but it was reserved for the latter period of His Majesty's reign, to extend religious toleration beyond all example of former times, in a manner which, as we humbly conceive, is no less honourable to the grantors than gratifying to the objects of it, and beneficial to the whole state.

In the midst of a scene at once so consoling and so splendid, we deeply regret that any shade should exist, but we cannot without pain reflect on the situation of Africa, in which it would appear that increased desolation was about to prevail, and our concern is only alleviated by the assurances of your Royal Highness that the influence of your government, corroborated as it is by the loud and universal voice of the nation, shall be exerted to the utmost to avert the impending evil from that unfortunate quarter of the globe.

We flatter ourselves that your Royal Highness will be pleased to accept with kindness these expressions of our congratulations, our gratitude, and our hopes; and we have only further to offer our

humble prayers to the Almighty Disposer of all Things for his blessing on our revered Sovereign, and on your Royal Highness's family, person, and government, earnestly wishing that your Royal Highness may long enjoy the affection and share the happiness of a brave, a loyal, and a united people.

*Wm. Smith, Chairman.
[Transmitted by the Reverend William Smith, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]*

WE, the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, Freeholders, and Inhabitants of the County of Leicester, beg leave unanimously to lay before your Royal Highness our unfeigned congratulations on the successful and glorious issue of the arduous contest in which we have been so long engaged against the late aggressive Government of France; and in retracing the various and complicated evils to which this country and the world have been unremittingly exposed in the late sanguinary war, we cannot fail to express the honest satisfaction with which we contemplate the loyal and unceasing fortitude manifested by every description of His Majesty's faithful subjects; and humbly to assure your Royal Highness, that had not the greatest dispensations of Providence removed from us the sad necessity, we should still have cheerfully continued our great exertions, in the full conviction, that as early as possible the care of your Royal Highness would procure for us the restoration of those blessings attendant upon a permanent and honourable peace.

We further beg leave at this auspicious moment to assure your Royal Highness, that under that Power which disposes of the fate of nations, we cannot but attribute our present proud pre-eminence amongst mighty empires, to the vigorous and decisive measures wisely adopted and persevered in by your Royal Highness, in concert with our august Allies; and after the many sacrifices occasioned by this long and arduous warfare, we are happy in reflecting, that the splendour of our arms by sea and by land has only been equalled by our moderation in the hour of victory; that our efforts and example have mainly tended to strengthen and cement that grand alliance, which, springing from the insufferable miseries of conquered and afflicted nations, was brought into successful action by the fostering aid of our national character and resources, and has at length procured the only legitimate objects of war, security and peace.

That in this dignified and successful assertion of national honour and the general interests of mankind, we further beg leave to congratulate your Royal Highness on the partial success of that benevolent interference which has procured from the governments of Holland and of Sweden, the immediate and total abolition of the African slave trade; but with a most painful sincerity lament that a just recognition of these suffering rights of humanity could not be at once obtained from the government of France to the same extent. We confidently hope, however, that every measure will be adopted in the renewed negotiation with France, and in the general Congress about to be held at Vienna, to prevail upon all the Powers there assembled, to concur as early as possible in the total