

We view with astonishment the violation of this exercise of the supreme Power in its salutary course, and in the moment of its application to the highest and most important of its functions. The reflection is most painful to us, that the chief authority of the State, so happily invested in your Royal Person, should receive this daring and flagitious interruption, by the criminal attempt of frantic and misguided men.

We cannot contemplate this event without much humiliation on our own parts. The name and honour of the nation would stand deeply tainted and affected by it, were it not most certain, that this crime, so foreign to the British character, is hateful in the eyes of all who are entitled in any manner to the privileges and distinctions of their country.

Were it possible to add to these general and well-founded motives for that concern, which on this occasion, must influence the heart and agitate the mind of every loyal subject of this empire, we could not fail to call to our remembrance the recent instance of paternal kindness, with which the poor inhabitants of this parish, together with those around us, have been favoured. We beg leave to assure your Royal Highness of the grateful sense which we entertain of that gracious token of peculiar bounty and indulgence, whilst we cherish in our hearts a common feeling with all those who value the religion, laws, and liberty of their country, which are fostered under its unrivalled Government, and of which they must ever form substantial parts.

Penetrated with these unfeigned convictions of what we owe to the protecting hand of Providence, we beg leave to assure your Royal Highness of our entire attachment to the rule established in this realm under a mild and equal sceptre, and of our inviolable respect for its constituted authorities in Church and State.

We desire more especially to embrace this opportunity of testifying our cordial and united wishes, and our joint prayers for the continued blessings of Divine Providence in the preservation of your Royal Highness, together with our earnest hope, that your own happiness may be increased with the welfare of the nation, and with the prosperity of a grateful and much favoured people.

Signed, in and at the request of the Vestry,
Joseph Holden Pott, Vicar.

[*Transmitted by the Rev. Mr. Archdeacon Potts, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness George Prince of Wales,
REGENT of the United Kingdom:

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Corporation, and Inhabitants of the Town and Parish of Tiverton, in the County of Devon, publicly assembled, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, to express our detestation of the late wicked and treasonable attack, committed by some infatuated and desperate persons, amidst the tumults and disorders of a deluded populace, upon the sacred Person of your Royal Highness, when returning from the exercise of one of the most important functions of the high authority with which you are invested, and so inseparably

connected with the welfare and happiness of every class of His Majesty's subjects.

Whilst we sincerely congratulate your Royal Highness on the providential escape which you have experienced from this flagitious attempt, we beg to renew the assurance of our unalterable attachment to your Royal House and Person, and to our excellent Constitution in Church and State, and to express our fixed determination to support the same by all the lawful means in our power.

Signed at the request and on the behalf of the meeting
John Beadell, Mayor.

[*Transmitted by W. Fitzhugh, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Chesterfield, in the County of Derby, with a grateful sense of the numerous blessings we have uniformly enjoyed under His Majesty's mild and benevolent Government, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness on this special occasion, to express our detestation and resentment of the insult and outrage recently offered to the Person of your Royal Highness on your return from Parliament, after exercising the Sovereign's constitutional powers, with the benevolent intentions of effecting the welfare and prosperity of His Majesty's people.

We very feelingly lament that there exists individuals amongst His Majesty's subjects, so abandoned as to cast off all reverence and respect for human and divine laws, and moral duties. That there can be any denomination of subjects so insensible of the inestimable blessings they daily experience from your Royal Highness's firm protection, and impartial Administration of the Laws of our most excellent Constitution, exhibits to us and to His Majesty's subjects in general, the strongest instance of their ingratitude and depravity.

At the same time we humbly beg leave to express our hearty congratulations on your Royal Highness's providential escape from the injuries offered to your sacred Person, and we sincerely hope that your Royal Highness will be enabled to bring to condign punishment the perpetrators and abettors of crimes so malignant and atrocious.

Signed by the Mayor, and given under the common seal of the Borough aforesaid, at the Common Council House within the said Borough, the 12th day of February 1817.

John Mugliston, Mayor.

[*Transmitted by Lord G. Cavendish, E. M. Muudy, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Bailiffs, Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of Tewkesbury, anxious to testify our fidelity to, and veneration for the sacred Person of our Sovereign, entreat permission to express our utter abhorrence at the recent atrocious attack