

Deign to accept our thankful acknowledgments for the munificent sacrifice of so large a portion of your Royal Highness's income to the necessities of the State, and permit us to express our full confidence, that, with this noble example before them, His Majesty's Ministers will perfect, as far as is consistent with real economy and a due regard to the honour and safety of the Empire, those plans of retrenchment, which they have commenced so much to their own credit and to the public advantage.

[Transmitted by *W. Egerton and D. Davenport, Esqrs.*, and presented by *Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Members of the ancient fraternity of free and accepted Masons, residing in the County of Monmouth, humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, with sentiments of the greatest veneration, to offer our sincere congratulations on the providential escape of your Royal Highness from the desperate and traitorous attempt of a factious and misguided people, against your Royal Person.

We deprecate, in the strongest terms, an attack so diabolical, more especially as it took place at a time when your Royal Highness was fulfilling one of the most sacred duties of Government.

We beg to assure your Royal Highness of the firm attachment of our ancient fraternity, and that our individual exertions shall always be directed to uphold the Constitution in Church and State, and to sustain the honour and ascendancy of the illustrious House of Brunswick.

[Transmitted by *the Rev. James Ashe Gabb*, and presented by *Viscount Sidmouth.*]

Unto His Royal Highness George Prince of Wales,
REGENT of the British Empire.

The dutiful and loyal Address of the Magistrates, Counsellors, Minister, and other respectable Inhabitants of the Town and Burgh of Forres, North Britain.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Magistrates, Counsellors, the Minister, and other Inhabitants of the Town of Forres, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness at this time, with the most unfeigned sentiments of attachment to your Royal Highness's Person, and of entire approbation of your Counsels, by which the most imminent danger that ever threatened our country had been averted, and peace and good order established in our land. At the same time that we reprobate the insidious designs of evil-minded men, by which your sacred Person had lately been insulted, and our happiness and liberties endangered, we highly approve of the measures which, under your Royal Highness's sanction, His Majesty's Ministers have adopted, for the preservation of our invaluable Constitution.

Living at a distance from the seat of Government, whilst we deeply lament the infatuation of a misguided multitude, who are taught by the innovating doctrines of profane and designing men, under the mask of reform, to counsel together for

the overthrow of our liberties, we congratulate your Royal Highness, and every lover of his country, upon the quiet and orderly deportment which has hitherto marked every class of the community to which we belong.

As we cannot see how the present distresses and privations, under which the country labours, can be removed, either by annual or triennial Parliaments, we look up with the utmost confidence to the wisdom of our rulers, for the adoption of such measures as will check the progress of dangerous innovations, in religion and Government, and will effectually secure to us the exercise of that rational piety, on which alone human happiness can be established, and that reform of heart and manners accomplished, which will procure the Divine protection to a people exercised in righteousness.

That your Royal Highness may (under the Divine favour,) be long spared as a guardian to watch over the interests, the prosperity and happiness of these kingdoms, is our earnest prayer.

Signed by our appointment, and in our presence,
at Forres, this 18th day of March 1817,

By *George Grant.*

[Transmitted by *Colonel W. Grant*, and presented by *Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The loyal and dutiful Address of the Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, Commissioners of Supply, and other Heritors of the County of Moray, assembled at Elgin.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, humbly and sincerely to congratulate your Royal Highness, on your providential escape from the late traitorous and atrocious attack on your sacred Person, in the execution of one of the most important functions of your exalted station, and at the same time to express our utmost detestation of attempts, so subversive of private safety and of public decency and decorum. We rejoice however in being enabled to assure your Royal Highness, that the utmost regularity, quiet, and obedience to the laws continue to distinguish this country, and that the conduct of the inhabitants is marked with affection and loyalty to the best of Kings and his august House. Permit us humbly to add, that no exertion on our part shall be wanting, to cherish a due sense of the blessings that Britons so eminently enjoy under the influence of your Royal Highness's auspicious Government.

Signed in our name, and by our authority, at Elgin, the 14th of March 1817.

Archibald Dunbar, P.

[Transmitted by *Colonel William Grant, M. P.* 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 loyal and dutiful subjects, the undersigned Provost, Free Burgesses, Common