

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

The Address of the Presbytery of Air.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's dutiful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbytery of Air, met in Presbytery for the first time since the opening of the present Session of Parliament, take the earliest opportunity afforded us to offer our sincere congratulations on the providential escape of your Royal Highness from the violent outrage of a misguided mob on that remarkable occasion, whereby the dignity of the crown was daringly insulted.

While we deeply lament that any of His Majesty's subjects should be found capable of attempting so odious a crime, we thank God, that the valuable life of our beloved Prince has been preserved as a public blessing.

Dutifully regretting the continued indisposition of our venerable Monarch, we admire the wisdom, and rejoice in the effect, with which you, Sir, have administered the Government of our country, in name and on behalf of your Royal Father, and we fervently pray that you may be long spared to tread in his foot-steps.

Firmly attached to our unrivalled Constitution, and to your Royal House, under whose auspices the British empire has attained to unprecedented fame, and universal admiration among the nations of the earth, it shall be our business, as ambassadors of the Prince of Peace, zealously to inculcate on that portion of the people committed to our care, those important duties of allegiance, subordination, and obedience to the laws, which, under the blessing of Heaven, secure the happiness and prosperity of a State.

And that He by whom Kings reign, and Princes decree justice, may, through our Lord Jesus Christ, continue to bless, and to guide, and protect your Royal Highness in the exercise of the royal function, is the earnest prayer of, may it please your Royal Highness, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbytery of Air.

Signed, in our name, and in our presence, and at our appointment, by

*James Inglis, Moderator.*

Air March 26, 1817.

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Eglinton, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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 most faithful and loyal subjects, the Ministers of the Presbytery of Dalkeith, beg leave thus humbly to approach your Royal Highness, and to express our abhorrence and detestation of the late nefarious attack on your Royal Highness's person when returning from the opening of Parliament.

We feel a degree of sorrow and indignation beyond the power of language to convey, when we reflect that there exists in this highly favoured land

a single individual capable of such atrocity. We are persuaded that the number of such characters must be comparatively small, and that the great body of the British people are too well aware of the blessings which, under Divine Providence, they derive from our admirable Constitution both in church and state, and of the wisdom and propriety of the manner in which the executive department has been hitherto conducted by your Royal Highness and His Majesty's Ministers, to be misled by the misrepresentations of ignorant or designing men. We have seen with exultation, and with the warmest gratitude to Almighty God, since your Royal Highness has been called by his providence to assume the reins of Government, the nation attain a degree of glory, of power and of prosperity, not only beyond every example recorded in its former history, but even beyond the anticipations of its most sanguine statesmen.

And we cannot view without horror and pity the unprincipled and cruel attempts made by certain wicked persons throughout the country to delude the lower orders of His Majesty's subjects, and thereby aggravate, in an incalculable manner, the feeling of that unavoidable distress which many of them (we lament to say) at present suffer, by leading them to impute its pressure to imaginary causes, and to expect relief from impracticable means.

We pray for the blessing of God on the measures adopted by your Royal Highness's Government and the wisdom of Parliament to frustrate the designs of the enemies of our peace; and convinced as we are that the Throne and the Altar must stand or fall together, and that the spirit of disaffection and disorder, which has of late begun to shew itself, is, in almost every case, to be traced to irreligion as its source, we shall not cease to inculcate on the minds of the people committed to our charge the fear of God as the only sure foundation of due honour to the King. We only beg leave farther to express to your Royal Highness the high satisfaction we feel in being able to assure your Royal Highness, that within our immediate bounds we have observed little or none of that disorderly spirit which has unfortunately pervaded too many other parts of the Kingdom.

That Almighty God may guard and bless your Royal Highness and this great people, over which in the course of his providence he has called you to be the Ruler, is our constant and earnest prayer.

Signed in our name, in our presence, and by our appointment, at Dalkeith, this 25th day of March 1817.

*James Goldie, Moderator.*

[*Transmitted by Viscount Melville, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness George PRINCE REGENT  
of the United Kingdoms of Great Britain and  
Ireland.

The humble and dutiful Address of the Presbytery of Lorn, in the Shire of Argyll.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's most loyal and faithful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbytery of Lorn, request permission humbly to approach your Royal Highness, to express our deep abhor-