

approaching to despondence, was exchanged for splendour and glory, because we would testify that our expressions of loyalty and devotion to your Majesty, are the faithful dictates of hearts not insensible to mercies of which the dispensation was committed to your Royal Person, by the Almighty Ruler of the World.

We have hitherto cherished in silence, the cordial impression of these mercies, and we should not now give it utterance, had not the clamours of an unprincipled faction, by usurping the title of the public voice, left the faithful adherents of the Throne and Constitution, no other alternative than that of openly avowing their sentiments. We will not, Sire, suffer our loyalty to be compromised by too great an averseness from obtruding ourselves upon your Majesty's notice.

We view, Sire, with mingled horror and indignation, the efforts of that faction to subvert the Throne and dissolve the Constitution. We have seen them, with an usholy zeal, heaping contempt on the Constituted Authorities, and vilifying all that in this empire is illustrious, great and noble. The most venerable tribunals have not been spared: loathsome calumny and disgusting aspersions have been poured upon them. Malignant in the object of their cruel attempts, they are remorseless in the means. Blasphemy itself, has been published, and they have abetted the blasphemers. But though we are not ignorant of the pernicious power of these poisoned weapons, we regard the virulent discharge of them without dismay. These assaults are impotent, because our august institutions are secure in the stability derived from their purity and their independence. Every fresh attempt to depreciate, has only served to endear them to the thinking part of your people; every effort to debase, has only entwined them more closely round their affections. Your loyal people cling, Sire, with a refreshing consciousness of their excellence; to institutions of which the world does not possess a parallel, and of which the tried integrity in the administration is a subject of admiration to the present, of imitation to future ages.

We have only farther to pray, that He by whom Kings reign and Princes decree justice, will continue to your Majesty his Providential protection, and that he will not remove you hence, until he will have seen you ripe for a Crown of endless glory.

[Transmitted by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Bailiff and Burgesses of the Borough of Bewdley, in Common Council assembled, deeply impressed with a conviction that the present moment calls upon us to stand forward in support of our King and country, humbly beg to approach your Majesty with assurances of our loyalty and attachment.

We view with sorrow and indignation the base and wicked attempts lately made by factious persons to alienate the affections of your Majesty's subjects, by the most unwarrantable attacks upon the proceedings of your Majesty's Government.

Whilst we firmly rely upon your Majesty's paternal care, and the wisdom of your councils, for the adoption of such measures as may tend to check that spirit of licentiousness and disorder at present so prevalent in this country, we assure your Majesty that no exertions shall be wanting on our part, to support your Majesty in the exercise of your just prerogatives and the due execution of the laws, convinced that in so doing, we shall best contribute (under the blessings of Providence), to the security of our invaluable Constitution.

Given under our common seal, at the Guildhall, in the said Borough, the 18th day of December 1820.

*Slade Baker, Deputy Recorder.*

[Transmitted by *W. A. Roberts, Esq. M. P.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, the Master, Assistants and Members of the Trinity House of Leith, intreat permission to approach the Throne, with the expression of our sincere attachment and loyalty to your Majesty's Person and Government.

Deeply sensible of the numerous blessings arising from our excellent Constitution in Church and State, we are firmly resolved, both as individuals and as a Corporation, to resist every attempt that may be made by the ignorant or the wicked to undermine the foundation on which it rests.

Appreciating as we do, the wise and parental spirit which has characterized the administration of public authority, under your Majesty's auspices, and venerating the constitutional exercise of the high power belonging to the Sovereign of these realms, we will not fail to obviate and counteract, to the utmost of our ability, the insidious arts practised by the malignant and disaffected to detract from the reverence which ought to be entertained for the Royal Person and prerogative.

That your Majesty may long reign over a great, a free, and prosperous people, disposed to fear God and honour the King, is our heartfelt and constant prayer.

Signed and sealed by order of the House.

*John Hay, Master.*

Leith, December 23, 1820.

[Transmitted by the Master.]

Unto the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble and loyal Address of the Magistrates and Town Council of the City of Brechin, North Britain.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Magistrates and Town Council of the City of Brechin, in Council assembled, beg leave humbly to approach the Throne with expressions of our unvaried love and attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government.

We are anxious at this moment to address your Majesty, when many of your people, misled by the intrigues of wicked and factious men, are attempting to poison the public mind with opinions subversive of all Government, and highly prejudicial to the best interests of this free and happy Kingdom.