

the same, with our lives and properties, against all attacks, whether from foreign or intestine enemies.

With heartfelt satisfaction we humbly beg to express to your Majesty our firm persuasion that in this portion of your Majesty's Dominions, there exists neither disloyalty, disregard of the established laws, nor irreligion, the seeds of which, however, we lament to observe, have been attempted to be sown, by the prostitution, in the hands of a few unprincipled men, of that palladium of British liberty, a free press.

We fervently pray that your Majesty's reign may be long and glorious, and we trust that by early attention of the Legislature the distress and embarrassments experienced by all classes at this momentous crisis, may be removed or relieved, and the happiness and prosperity of this great Empire placed on a secure and permanent basis.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment, by the Preses of our Meeting, at Wigtown, the 15th day of January 1821.

*Will. Maxwell, Bart. Preses.*

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Galloway.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The loyal Address of the Rectors, the Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants of the Parishes of Berkhamstead, St. Peter's, and Northchurch, in the County of Hertford.

SIRE,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Rectors, the Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants of the ancient Town and Parish of Berkhamstead and Northchurch, respectfully beg leave, at this important period, to lay before your Majesty, the most cordial assurances of our unshaken fidelity and attachment. Zealously devoted to that pure form of religious worship and Christian doctrine, which have the revealed Word of God for their foundation and support. Faithfully attached to that admirable Constitution, in Church and State, which has been sanctioned by the wisdom of ages, and which extends the blessings of civil freedom and religious toleration to every class of your Majesty's subjects. We have beheld, with the strongest feelings of grief and indignation, the baneful influence of blasphemous and seditious publications, in exciting the wild and wicked attempts of desperate and designing men, to rob us of all that is dear and valuable to us—to destroy our excellent and venerable institutions—and to overwhelm the altar and the Throne, our national glory and prosperity, and our domestic peace and happiness, in one common ruin.

Impressed, Sire, with a deep and painful conviction of these hostile and avowed designs, we are anxious, in this awful crisis of our country, to bear a firm and faithful testimony to our own inviolable allegiance to your Majesty's Person and Authority, to declare our steadfast adherence to our religion and the laws, and our determination to oppose, by every means in our power, the dangers by which they are menaced.

Sire, by the blessing of God, may your Majesty's reign be long and prosperous, over a loyal and united people! and may the Almighty, by his all-

directing Providence, enable us to preserve inviolate, the envied and glorious inheritance, we have derived from our ancestors, and transmit it unimpaired to our posterity.

[Here follow the Signatures.]

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Bridgewater.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble, dutiful, and loyal Address of the principal Gentry, Clergy, Freeholders, and Inhabitants of the Hundred of Stratton, in the County of Cornwall.

WE, your Majesty's ever loyal and faithful subjects, beg leave to stand forward with the assurance of our true allegiance to your Majesty, and of our firm attachment to our excellent Constitution in church and state.

Deeply impressed with the high value of the blessings we enjoy under your Majesty's Government, we feel it our duty to express our determination of exerting our best energies in supporting the constituted Authorities of our country, and in discountenancing all blasphemy and sedition.

Our earnest prayer to the Disposer of all events will be for the protection of your Majesty and your dominions from every calamity, and that your Majesty may long continue to reign over a free, bold, and loyal people, for the welfare and happiness of the United Kingdom, and with the admiration of the whole world.

[Here follow the Signatures.]

[*Transmitted by Viscount Exmouth, G. C. B.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

SIRE,

WE, your Majesty's faithful and dutiful subjects, the Freeholders, Commissioners of Supply, and Justices, of the Peace of the County of Argyll, in General Meeting assembled, beg leave to assure your Majesty of our warm attachment to your Majesty's sacred Person and Government, our veneration for the Laws, and our affectionate regard for the Constitution of our country.

We had hoped that the demonstrations of loyalty, which so lately resounded from all parts of your Majesty's dominions, would have put to silence the wicked attempts of infidelity and sedition, to extirpate those salutary restraints which religion imposes on the depraved inclinations of man, to inculcate contempt for the laws, and to infuse among the unthinking and unwary a spirit of insubordination, equally dangerous to the lives, the property, and the liberty of your Majesty's subjects.

These hopes have been disappointed.

We observe with regret and indignation, but without dismay, that the same wicked and desperate faction rendered even more daring by the lenity which has been extended towards them, and aided by a licentious abuse of the liberty of the press, still seeks to sap the foundations of religion and genuine patriotism, to excite the populace to a disregard for the constituted Authorities of the State, and to wean them from their allegiance to their Sovereign,