

gratitude, as a pledge of your Majesty's anxiety to promote the extension of pure religion, and we shall apply it with all fidelity to the pious purpose for which it is bestowed.

That Almighty God may bless your Majesty, and all the Members of the Royal Family; that He may ever direct and prosper all the measures of your Majesty's Government, and that He may maintain, till the latest ages, the national blessings we now enjoy, are the fervent prayers of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most faithful, most obedient, and most loyal subjects, the Ministers and Elders of this National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

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

*Alex. Brunton*, Moderator.

Edinburgh, May 24, 1823.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, met in the General Assembly, beg leave to approach your Majesty with the strongest assurances of loyalty and attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government.

We regard with sentiments of peculiar joy, that paternal affection which induced your Majesty, in the course of the last year, to visit your Scottish dominions; and we cordially unite in expressing our warmest gratitude for the very gracious and auspicious countenance, which your Majesty was then pleased to give to both the civil and religious institutions, in this part of the United Kingdom.

We have been highly gratified with the gracious and condescending terms in which your Majesty, at the opening of Parliament, was pleased to express the satisfaction which your Majesty had derived from your visit to Scotland.

We gladly avail ourselves of this opportunity to assure your Majesty, that that visit has, in a high degree, strengthened and confirmed the principles of loyalty and attachment to your Majesty; and we are confident that, by the blessing of God, it will have a happy and permanent effect on all classes of your Majesty's subjects in this part of the British Empire.

That your Majesty may long reign over a pious, free, loyal, and happy people; and may at length wear a crown of glory that fadeth not away, are the sincere and fervent prayers of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most loyal, dutiful, and devoted subjects, the Ministers and Elders of this General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

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

*Alex. Brunton*, Moderator.

Edinburgh, May 24, 1823.

*War-Office, 31st May 1823.*

6th Regiment of Dragoons, Edward James Hickman, Gent. (Riding Master) to be Cornet, without purchase. Dated 22d May 1823.

9th Regiment of Light Dragoons, Captain James Alexander Lord Loughborough, from the half-pay of the 20th Light Dragoons, to be Captain, vice Henry Ferguson, who exchanges, receiving the difference. Dated 22d May 1823.

13th Ditto, Alexander Thomas Cockburn, Gent. to be Cornet, without purchase, vice Ellis, promoted. Dated 22d May 1823.

17th Ditto, Major George Luard, from the half-pay of the 18th Light Dragoons, to be Major, vice Norcliffe Norcliffe, who exchanges, receiving the difference between Infantry and Cavalry only. Dated 22d May 1823.

18th Regiment of Foot, Captain John Huddleston, from half-pay of the 34th Foot, to be Captain, without purchase, vice Churchill, appointed to the 1st Ceylon Regiment. Dated 22d May 1823.

Ensign John Alexander Forbes to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Senior, promoted. Dated 22d May 1823.

27th Ditto, Lieutenant Thomas Pakenham Vandeleur, from the half-pay of the 85th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Joseph Everett, who exchanges, receiving the difference. Dated 22d May 1823.

31st Ditto, Brevet Major Thomas Samuel Nicolls to be Major, by purchase, vice Fearon, promoted. Dated 24th April 1823.

Lieutenant Charles Henry Farrington to be Captain, by purchase, vice Nicolls. Dated 24th April 1823.

Ensign Francis Ward to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Farrington. Dated 24th April 1823. Joseph Fuskett, Gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Ward. Dated 24th April 1823.

59th Ditto, Captain David Graham to be Major, without purchase, vice Halford, deceased. Dated 22d May 1823.

Lieutenant Richard Manners to be Captain, vice Graham. Dated 22d May 1823.

Ensign Allan Macdonald to be Lieutenant, vice Manners. Dated 22d May 1823.

68th Ditto, Ensign John Douglas Cogan, from the half-pay of the 19th Foot, to be Ensign, vice Thomas Black, who exchanges, receiving the difference. Dated 22d May 1823.

81st Ditto, Captain John Montagu, from the half-pay of the 64th Foot, to be Captain, vice Thomas Cradock, who exchanges. Dated 22d May 1823.

86th Ditto, Assistant-Surgeon John Hendrick, from the half-pay of the 12th Foot, to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Andrew Thompson, who exchanges. Dated 22d May 1823.

1st West India Regiment, Major Henry Capadose, from the half-pay 56th Foot, to be Major, vice James Allan, who exchanges. Dated 22d May 1823.

Brevet Major Horatio George Broke, from the half-pay of the 58th Foot, to be Captain, vice John Macnamara, who exchanges. Dated 22d May 1823.

1st Ceylon Regiment, Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Chatham Horace Churchill, from the 18th Foot, to be Captain, without purchase, vice Bolton.