

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Bailiff, Justices, and Capital Burgeſſes of your ancient Borough of Leominſter, beg Leave to condole with your ſacred Maſteſty on the mournful Occaſion of the Death of your Royal Father, and to congratulate your Maſteſty's happy Acceſſion to the Throne of your Anceſtors.

We cannot but indulge a great Abatement to our Sorrows, when we conſider that the Loſs we have ſuſtained in the Deceſſe of his late Maſteſty, great and heavy as it was, has been greatly repaired by the Succeſſion of a Prince, to whom his Father's Virtues have deſcended with his Crown.

How is it poſſible that our Grief ſhould not ſubſide, that it ſhould ſubſiſt under that abundant Conſolation your Maſteſty has been pleaſed to vouchſafe us, That the Preſervation of our moſt excellent Conſtitution ſhall be your firſt and always your chief Care? and that it ſhall be eſteem'd by your Maſteſty your Glory and your Safety to rule in the Hearts of your People.

The Emotions of Gladneſs rais'd in every loyal Breaſt by theſe gracious Aſſurances, are inexpressibly great. What Felicities may we not promiſe ourſelves under the auſpicious Government of a King, ſo affectionate a Lover of his Subjects, and ſo entirely beloved by his People.

If we look among the Nations around us, where ſhall we find a People ſo bleſ'd in the Perſon of their King, and in that alſo of a moſt gracious Queen? a Princeſs endear'd to us by the Character of every Vertue, eminently illuſtrious for her unſhaken Conſtancy in the Proteſtant Faith, for her prizing it above the Glories of a Crown, when the glittering Temptation was offered to allure her to renounce it, This Proof of her firm Attachment to the Intereſts of pure and undefiled Religion, as it never can be forgotten, ſo can it never be remember'd by us but with wondrous Joy. Happy Omen; that the good and virtuous will be the Objects of your Maſteſty's and the Queen's Royal Favour; that Truth and Righteouſneſs ſhall flouriſh in our Days, and that lateſt Poſterity ſhall enjoy in your Royal Iſſue thoſe very Bleſſings of which we are happily conſcious.

In a moſt grateful Senſe whereof, we beg Leave to aſſure your Maſteſty of our moſt ſincere conſtant and inviolable Fidelity to your Maſteſty's Perſon and Government, and of our moſt devout Prayers for the Welfare and Proſperity of your Maſteſty, your Royal Conſort our moſt gracious Queen, and the whole Royal Family.

*In Teſtimony whereof, we have hereunto cauſed the common Seal of our Borough to be affixed the 6th Day of July, 1727.*

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Aſſiſtants, and of the Gentlemen, Clergy, Merchants, and principal Inhabitants of the ancient Borough of Leeds, in the County of York, has been preſented to His Maſteſty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Burlington, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Paget Lord of the Bedchamber to His Maſteſty in waiting. Which Addreſs His Maſteſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

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THE Death of our late King, your Maſteſty's Royal Father, which we beg Leave to condole with your Maſteſty, had render'd us inconſolable, if a kind Providence, ever propitious to theſe Realms, had not given us your Maſteſty a Succeſſour: A Prince, in whom we have long with Pleaſure obſerved not only the neceſſary Qualities of Government, but all the Graces and Virtues which are the proper Ornaments of a King of Great Britain: A Prince, who whiſt a Subject was an eminent Pattern of Loyalty and Obedience; and now called to rule, ſhines in this Orb with the greateſt Luſtre.

We your Maſteſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, heartily congratulate your Maſteſty's Acceſſion to the Imperial Crown of theſe Realms, and with the greateſt Gratitude acknowledge your Maſteſty's moſt gracious Condeſcenſion in declaring from the Throne, that the ſecuring to your Subjects the full Enjoyment of their Religious and Civil Rights, and the preſerving the Conſtitution of this Kingdom, as it is now happily eſtabliſhed in Church and State, inviolable in all its Parts, ſhall be your Maſteſty's conſtant Care: This neceſſarily endears your Maſteſty to all your Subjects, and commands their utmoſt Love and Affection, which your Maſteſty is pleaſed to eſteem as the beſt Support and Security of your Crown.

May the ſame good Providence that has placed your Maſteſty on the Throne of your Royal Anceſtors, grant your Maſteſty a long, long and happy Reign over us! Then ſhall we be a great and happy People; and when, for our Iniquities, your Maſteſty ſhall be taken from us, may there never fail of your Royal Iſſue a Prince to ſit upon the Throne.

The following humble Addreſs of the Mayor, Aldermen and Aſſiſtants, Clergy, Gentry, and Principal Inhabitants of the Ancient and Loyal Borough and Corporation of Ripon, in the County of York, has been preſented to His Maſteſty by William Aiſlabie, Eſq, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Albemarle Lord of the Bedchamber to His Maſteſty in waiting. Which Addreſs His Maſteſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

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