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My Lords and Gentlemen.

The Address from the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons of Ireland which you have presented to me demands my Warmest and Earliest Thanks

If any Thing could add to the esteem and affection I have for the people of Ireland it would be the Loyal and Affectionate Attachment to the Person and Government of the King my Father manifested in the Address of the Two Houses. — What they have done, and their manner of doing it, is a New Proof of their undiminished Duty to His Majesty, of their uniform Attachment to the House of Brunswick, and of their constant Care and Attention to maintain inviolate the Concord and Connection between the Kingdoms of Great-Britain and Ireland, so indispensably necessary to the Prosperity

The Happiness and the Liberties of both. -

~~These Marks of Veneration and Respect
for the King and the Personal Confidence they
have placed in me at such a time of Family dis-
tress and Public embarrassment give Solid Con-
solations to my Mind. -~~

If in conveying my grateful Sentiments on their Conduct in relation to the King my Father and to the inseparable Interests of the two Kingdoms, I find it impossible to express adequately my feelings on what relates to myself.

self; I trust you will not be less disposed to believe that I have an Understanding to comprehend the value of what they have done, an Heart that must remember, and Principles that will not suffer me to abuse their Confidence.

But the fortunate change which has taken place in the Circumstances which gave occasion to the Address agreed to by the Lords and Commons of Ireland, induces me to delay, for a few Days, giving a final Answer; trusting

that the Joyful Event of his Majesty's resuming
the Personal Exercise of his Royal Authority may
then render it only necessary for me to repeat those
Sentiments of Gratitude and Affection to the Loyal
and generous People of Ireland which I feel inde-
libly imprinted on my Heart. -

Armour delivered by
the Prince of Wales
to the Senate from
the Irish Parliament

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