

the following Address, which was read by Sir John William Rose, the Recorder.

To the QUEEN's. Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London, in Common-Council assembled.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London, in Common-Council assembled, congratulate your Majesty on the recent Marriage of Her Royal Highness Charlotte Augusta Matilda, Princess Royal of England, Lady of the Imperial Order of Russia of Saint Catherine, with His Serene Highness the Hereditary Prince of Wirtemberg.

The numerous and endearing Virtues, native in her Royal Mind, and cultivated with such exemplary Assiduity by the brilliant and eminent Conduct of her Royal Mother, form at once a Subject of Exultation and Regret, even on this joyful Occasion; of Exultation, as we are satisfied that the Dignity of her high Birth is proudly equalled by her transcendently amiable Qualities which we have long admired and revered, and of Regret, as by this promising Source of Connubial Felicity, the just Reward of those Qualities, the fair Daughters of Britain will be deprived of contemplating, in the highest Rank, One of their most conspicuous Models of maiden Excellence.

We earnestly hope, Madam, [that an Union of such exalted Promise may be crowned with every Prosperity to the Illustrious Pair that a Mother's most sanguine Wishes can form, and that the rest of your Majesty's fair Descendants may be Heiresses to Blessings commensurate to the exalted Virtues with which they are endowed.]

Signed, by Order of Court,

WILLIAM RIX.

To which Address Her Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer.

I Return you My Thanks for this very dutiful and loyal Address of Congratulation on the Marriage of the Princess Royal with the Hereditary Prince of Wirtemberg, and for those Sentiments so very favourable to Myself with which it is accompanied.

They were all received very graciously, and had the Honor to kiss Her Majesty's Hand.

St. James's, May 25, 1797.

THIS Day the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs and Common-Council of the City of London, waited upon His Serene Highness the Hereditary Prince of Wirtemberg (being introduced by Sir Stephen Cottrell, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies) with the following Compliments of Congratulation, which were read by Sir John William Rose, the Recorder.

To His Serene Highness the Hereditary PRINCE of WIRTEMBERG.

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THE Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London, in Common Council assembled, have great Joy in paying their Compliments of

Congratulation to your Serene Highness on your safe Arrival in this Kingdom, and on your auspicious Nuptials with the virtuous and amiable Princess Royal of England.

The Dignity of your Princely House, in every Respect worthy of our Esteem and Veneration, together with the noble Endowments of your Mind, afford us the happy Prefage that this illustrious Union will be productive of the most perfect Felicity of which the connubial Bond is capable.

May your Serene Highness long live to enjoy the Blessings of this Alliance, and may your accomplished Royal Consort crown your Wishes with a Race of Princes inheriting your respective Qualities, which cannot fail of transmitting your Name with Glory to the remotest Ages.

Signed, by Order of Court,

WILLIAM RIX.

To which Compliments of Congratulation His Serene Highness was pleased to return the following Answer:

My Lord, and Gentlemen,

I Thank you for this Proof of your Attention and Regard for me, which I value very much.

St. James's, May 25, 1797.

THIS Day the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Sheriffs and Common-Council of the City of London, waited upon Her Royal and Serene Highness the Princess of Wirtemberg, Lady of the Imperial Order of Russia of St. Catherine (being introduced by Sir Stephen Cottrell, Knt. Master of the Ceremonies) with the following Compliments of Congratulation, which were read by Sir John William Rose, the Recorder.

To Her Royal and Serene Highness the PRINCESS of WIRTEMBERG, Lady of the Imperial Order of Russia of St. Catherine.

Madam,

WE, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London, in Common-Council assembled, request Permission to offer our warmest Congratulatory upon the auspicious Marriage of your Royal Highness with His Serene Highness the Hereditary Prince of Wirtemberg.

This Alliance with so distinguished and accomplished a Prince, devoted to the Protestant Cause, we behold as an additional Proof of His Majesty's Paternal Care for the Interests of his People, and of his Affection for your Royal Highness.

The endearing Qualities of your Mind, and the brilliant Display of every Female Excellence, which we have been accustomed to behold with Delight and to reverence with Rapture, create Sensations of Regret which we cannot stifle, since the Ceremonials of Court Precedent require the Connubial Felicity of a British Princess in a Foreign Land; and, by a Separation from those Virtues, our Happiness will suffer an Alloy, in the Event which we hope will secure the Felicity of your Royal Highness.

The Memory of those Virtues will be ever dear to us, and we have solid Hope that they, in consequence of this joyful Alliance, will descend to adorn an Illustrious Race of Princes, proud of your Precept, and emulative of your Example.

We earnestly entreat your Royal Highness to believe