

sury, and Chancellor of the Exchequer, committed within the very walls of Parliament, humbly approach your Royal Highness to offer our sincere and heartfelt condolence on this most melancholy and unparalleled event.

Most sincerely do we sympathize with your Royal Highness, and with every British heart, in the loss which the empire has sustained by the death of so great and good a man, and so eminent a Minister; a loss doubly felt amid the difficulties and dangers which, at present, surround us; a loss, indeed, affecting the vital interests of Europe, and of the civilized world.

Looking back with the most unqualified sentiments of approbation on the high and important services of Mr. Perceval, we beg to offer the humble but sincere tribute of our applause to the wisdom and firmness manifested by your Royal Highness, in calling that lamented statesman to your councils, thus consulting at once your own dignity, and the highest interests of the empire. To the steady and inflexible virtue, the generous disinterestedness, the ardent patriotism, and the sound and liberal policy of that illustrious man, we can offer no higher applause than the expression of our most anxious hope, that the same enlightened views may guide the conduct of his successors; and that in his fall we may not have to lament the fall of those principles of domestic and foreign policy, which directed the bright career of his administration.

In this season of general alarm and mourning, we beg permission to assure your Royal Highness of the steady loyalty and warm attachment which we bear to our revered Monarch and to your royal house and person; and our resolution, under every circumstance of danger or privation, to support the crown and dignity of the realm; well assured that such conduct, on the part of every subject, can alone preserve to us that high and favoured place which it is our envied lot to hold among surrounding nations.

Signed in name and by appointment of the meeting, by *A. Fraser Lovat*, Preses.

[*Transmitted by Charles Grant, Esq. and presented by Mr. Secretary Ryder*]

To His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

The humble and dutiful Address of the Provost, Magistrates, and Common Council of the ancient Royal Borough of Inverness.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Provost, Magistrates, and Common Council of the ancient Royal Borough of Inverness, do humbly beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, to express the horror, grief, and indignation we felt at the atrocious and unexampled murder of the Right Honourable Spencer Perceval, Chancellor of the Exchequer, within the walls of the House of Commons, on his way to discharge his important public duties.

When we reflect on the immense loss your Royal Highness and the country have sustained in the death of this most able and virtuous Minister, we

would feel it a great national calamity, had it occurred in the ordinary course of human life; but the reflection that the existence of such a man has been terminated by the hand of a base and wicked assassin, while in the ardent prosecution of measures which seemed so well calculated to raise the British empire to the highest pitch of glory, and of affording to the Continent of Europe a prospect of recovering its independence, our hearts are pierced with the deepest sorrow. In the gloom and consternation which this horrid act occasions, we derive some consolation in the assurance that its vile author had no associate.

Your Royal Highness will, we humbly request, permit us to make tender of our warmest gratitude for your most gracious message to both Houses of Parliament—the numerous and afflicted family of so valuable and so lamented a Minister, are well entitled to receive a liberal provision from their sympathising country.

We beg leave to reiterate our high admiration of those principles which actuated our beloved and venerable Sovereign's government, and which have been so successfully pursued by your Royal Highness—persuaded, as we are, that they are the best calculated for securing the independence of these realms, and of maintaining their high and distinguished rank in the scale of nations.

Signed and sealed with the common seal of the said Royal Borough of Inverness, by me, Provost and Chief Magistrate, in name and by appointment of the Magistrates and Council, at Inverness, the 25th day of May 1812 years.
James Grant, Provost and Chief Magistrate.

[*Transmitted by Charles Grant, jun. Esq. and presented by Mr. Secretary Ryder.*]

Lord Chamberlain's Office, June 13, 1812.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty will hold a Drawing-Room at St. James's, on Thursday next the 18th instant.

NOTICE is hereby given, that His Royal Highness the Prince Regent will hold a Levée at Carlton-House, on Friday next the 19th instant, at Two o'clock.

Whitehall, June 9, 1812.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to constitute and appoint the Right Honourable Robert Banks Earl of Liverpool, the Right Honourable Nicholas Vansittart, Snowdon Barne, Esq. and the Honourable Berkeley Paget, to be Commissioners for executing the Office of Treasurer of His Majesty's Exchequer.

Whitehall, June 9, 1812.

His Royal Highness the Prince Regent has been pleased, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, to grant to the Right Honourable Nicholas Vansittart the Offices of Chancellor and Under Treasurer of His Majesty's Exchequer.