

THE following Addresses have been presented to His Serene Highness the Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg; which Addresses His Serene Highness was pleased to receive very graciously:

From the Inhabitants of the Town of Dudley and its Neighbourhood, to His Serene Highness Leopold, Prince of Saxe Cobourg.

May it please your Serene Highness,

HUMBLED, as we are, by the event which has so affectingly proclaimed to us the uncertainty of human happiness, an event which has overwhelmed us with the deepest sorrow, and left a mournful vacancy in a nation's hopes, it is not without some degree of reluctance that we venture to break in upon your grief, and yet, we trust, we may be permitted to assure you, that in these hours of gloom, when we feel so much the need of comfort for ourselves, your Serene Highness is intimately present to our thoughts.

Though to your Serene Highness the great charm of life is gone, you have the melancholy satisfaction to know that the whole British people tenderly sympathise in your distress; and that the virtues by which your character is adorned, and especially your domestic worth and kindness, have endeared you to them as a brother, and left an imperishable record in their hearts.

It is our fervent prayer, that your Serene Highness may largely partake in the blessedness which belongs to them that mourn—that the spirit which cometh from on high, may pour the sweetest consolations into your bosom—that while you cannot but dwell with a sadly-pleasing remembrance on the past, you may lift up your head, and be cheered by the prospect of a world, where all the kind affections of social love will be restored, and where nothing can invade our peace or interrupt our joy.

Signed, by desire of the Meeting,

Luke Booker, Chairman.

Town-Hall, Dudley, November 22, 1817.

To which Address His Serene Highness was pleased to return the following Answer:

“ To Luke Booker, Esq. Town-Hall, Dudley, Worcestershire.

“ SIR,

“ I HAVE this day had the honour of presenting to the Prince Leopold, the Address of the inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Dudley, on the afflicting occurrence so deeply deplored throughout this country.

“ The Prince Leopold commands me to request you will convey to and assure the inhabitants of the town of Dudley and its neighbourhood, of His sense of their grief, and their participation in His own and in the country's sorrow.

“ Though suffering under an affliction that admits of no relief, the Prince Leopold is still most sensible of their warm and affectionate interest in His welfare: His Serene Highness commands me to express on this occasion, His warmest and most unfeigned thanks for condolence so sincere and heartfelt.

“ I have the honour, &c.

Robert Gardiner.

“ Claremont, November 26, 1817.”

To His Serene Highness the Prince Leopold of Saxe Coburg.

The respectful and affectionate Address of the County of Wigton.

May it please your Serene Highness,

WE, the Freeholders, Landholders, and Magistrates of the County of Wigton, have assembled together in the anxious wish to mitigate, if possible, the sorrow which your Serene Highness must sustain, by assuring your Serene Highness that we deeply partake it: we had beheld with heartfelt approbation and pleasure, the amiable sentiments and good principles which produced the union between our beloved Princess and your Serene Highness, but we fear to aggravate your Highness's affliction by dwelling upon the affecting loss you have sustained; we must therefore be content again to assure your Serene Highness, that as we shared the joy of your marriage, so we do now, with augmented esteem for your Serene Highness's character, more deeply share your grief; and we offer to your Serene Highness, that tribute of lasting attachment and regard which is due to your own exalted merits, and to your Serene Highness's late alliance with a Princess so dear to the British people.

Signed in name, in presence, and by appointment of the meeting, held at Wigton the 13th day of November 1817. *John Hathorn, Preses.*

To which Address His Serene Highness was pleased to return the following Answer:

“ To John Hathorn, Esq. Wigton, Cumberland.

“ SIR,

“ I HAVE this day had the honour of presenting to the Prince Leopold, the Address of the Freeholders, the Landholders, and the Magistrates of the County of Wigton, on the late deplored events at Claremont; the Prince Leopold commands me to request you will convey to the Freeholders, the Landholders, and Magistrates of the County of Wigton, his warmest acknowledgments for so sincere a participation in his distress, and express His assurances, that in this dispensation of general and irremediable sorrow, their sincere and affectionate condolence has afforded him a high and lasting source of consolation.

“ I have the honour, &c.

Robert Gardiner.

“ Claremont, November 25, 1817.”

In the Gazette of Saturday last, containing an account of the private interment of Her late Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta, in the procession in St. George's Chapel, after the Solicitor to Her late Royal Highness, the following should have been inserted:

Comptroller of the Household of Her late Royal Highness,

Henry Norton Willis, Esq.