

ing forth for the imitation of your subjects, a pattern of the most devoted filial and conjugal affection, so it created for her a love, which has erected to her memory an imperishable monument in the hearts of all your faithful subjects.

That it may please God to pour the balm of consolation into the wounded spirit of your Royal Highness, to preserve your life for many years, and to perpetuate the race of the Royal House of Brunswick on the Throne of these realms to latest generations, is the sincere wish and prayer of the Magistrates, Town Council, and Community of the Royal Burgh of Selkirk.

In whose name and by whose authority this is signed, and the seal of the Burgh appended, this 8th day of December 1817.

George Roger, Town Clerk : *George Young, D. G. Thomas Anderson, Tr. ; Wm. Lamb, B. ; Andw. Lang, B.*

[*Transmitted by Lord Napier, Lord Lieutenant of Selkirkshire, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, His Majesty's faithful and dutiful subjects, the Inhabitants of the Staffordshire Potteries, humbly beg your Royal Highness will accept our respectful condolence on the calamitous event which has deprived your Royal Highness of a beloved daughter, the presumptive Heir to the Throne. We deeply lament the loss of a Princess, the hope and pride of the nation; a loss which we feel with the greater poignancy from its having fallen upon us whilst we were fondly anticipating an event which would have filled the hearts of the whole people with joy, and would have given an additional pledge for the permanent occupation of the Throne of the United Kingdom, by the descendants of His Majesty.

Heavy as is the infliction, we would still hope that the unfeigned sorrow and deep sympathy of the whole body of His Majesty's subjects may have some power to mitigate the bitterness of your Royal Highness's grief, and to hasten the period when your Royal Highness will be able to recollect the virtues, amiable qualities and accomplishments of Her late Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte with a tender regret, unmixed with the overwhelming emotions of grief, for a recent loss. And we humbly offer our earnest wishes, for this and for all other blessings on your Royal Highness, and for the prosperity of your Royal House.

At a Special Public Meeting, held the 8th day of December 1817.

*John E. Heathcote, Chairman.*

[*Transmitted by John Edensor Heathcote, Knight, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, the Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Glamorgan, His most respected, beloved, and aged Majesty's dutiful and loyal sub-

jects, in County Meeting assembled, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with sentiments of the deepest sorrow and sympathy, with expressions of condolence, humbly tendered with all reverence and affection, on the melancholy death of your Royal Daughter, the late Princess Charlotte Augusta, Consort of His Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg.

We lament that the dispensation of Divine Providence, which is inscrutable to human understanding, has so deeply afflicted your Royal Highness, and also deprived the nation of those dearly encouraged hopes, that our adored Princess, who was the possessor of every virtue, might hereafter add lustre to the highest office in the State, maintain the honour and dignity of the Crown, and the happiness of the people; but grievous has been the disappointment to the father who mourns his child, and to the nation, in the irreparable loss sustained.

We feel also, that every tribute of regard and respect is due to that amiable and exemplary Prince, her august Consort, whose severe grief we deeply deplore, who was the companion in her virtuous and charitable acts, and whose excellent conduct has obtained the esteem and sympathy of all.

To expatiate more on such topics, would only tend to increase the affliction it is our endeavour to assuage. To these sentiments of sorrow and condolence, we beg to assure your Royal Highness of our most cordial attachment to your Person and Family; and we earnestly pray that your Royal Highness, who has already added so much glory to the British name, may long and prosperously govern the happiest and freest people of the world, and a succession of Sovereigns of the Illustrious House of Brunswick, may ever reign over this great empire.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

*Thomas Bates Rous, Sheriff.*

[*Transmitted by Thomas Bates Rous, Esq. Sheriff, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Chief Burgesses of the Ancient Borough of Newport, in the Isle of Wight, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness, with sentiments of unfeigned attachment and respect, to offer to your Royal Highness our heartfelt sympathy and condolence, on the late mournful and calamitous event of the death of Her Royal Highness Princess Charlotte Augusta of Wales.— An event which has deprived your Royal Highness of a dutiful and affectionate daughter, has laid prostrate the hopes of the country, and has taken from the world one of its loveliest and brightest ornaments. That our hearts are filled with the most poignant feelings of disappointment and regret, it will not be difficult for your Royal Highness, whose afflictions are so much heavier than our own, to believe.

If it were permitted to us to open the volume of futurity, we might there find sources of consolation and comfort that are now hidden from our