

must, at any time, have been the subject of our deepest sorrow and regret; but when the peculiar circumstances of the case are taken into consideration, we feel ourselves incapable of expressing the extent of the feelings by which our hearts are affected; nor can we offer any consolation to your Royal Highness, but that which patient acquiescence in the unsearchable decrees of Providence and a dependance upon the will of the Almighty, suggest. In that Divine Providence we repose our trust, and the hope that the protection hitherto afforded to the illustrious House of Brunswick may be still continued for the preservation of those blessings which the nation has enjoyed under its paternal sway.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

*John Fleming, Sheriff.*

Dated at the Castle of Winchester, the 11th day of December, 1817.

[*Transmitted by the Sheriff, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council of the Corporation of Appleby, in the County of Westmorland.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the Corporation of Appleby, humbly offer to your Royal Highness our most sincere tribute of condolence on the premature and ever-to-be-lamented death of Her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta.

With the deepest sorrow we lament and bewail that fatal event—an event which has bereaved your Royal Highness of an only child, deprived the kingdom of a most splendid and impressive example of benevolence and virtue, and plunged the British Nation in one universal gloom.

We most earnestly pray that it may please the Almighty Disposer of all events to soothe the sorrows of an afflicted nation by prolonging the life of your Royal Highness, and continuing to us that high pre-eminence and prosperity to which the British Empire has arrived under the reign of our virtuous and venerated Sovereign, and which, we trust, will long continue to be enjoyed under the auspicious government of successive generations of His Majesty's illustrious Family.

Given unanimously by the Corporation of Appleby, in their Town Hall assembled, and under their common seal, this 9th day of December, in the 58th Year of His Majesty's reign. *Matthew Atkinson, Mayor.*

[*Transmitted by Matthew Atkinson, Esq. Mayor of Appleby, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

The affectionate and dutiful Address of the Town Council of St. Andrews.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE the Lord Provost, Dean of Guild, Magis-

trates, and Council of your Ancient City of St. Andrews, in Common Council assembled, beg leave to approach the Throne, and with all becoming duty to present to your Royal Highness, the most sincere and heartfelt expression of our grief at the irreparable loss which your Royal Highness and the nation at large have so recently sustained, by the death of your Illustrious daughter, our beloved Princess.

Whilst we humbly trust that the Almighty may be graciously disposed to support your Royal Highness under this trying dispensation of His Divine Providence, we would venture to offer this consolatory reflection to your Royal Highness, that never before did Sovereign receive such genuine and unequivocal proofs of the real participation of a whole people, in his parental feelings, as have been so spontaneously elicited on the present melancholy occasion.

Signed in our name and presence, this 6th day of December 1817, by

*Robert Meldrum, Provost.*

[*Transmitted by the Lord Provost, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

Unto His Royal Highness the Prince REGENT.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

AT a period when the greatest of national calamities overwhelms the British Empire with profound grief, we, the Freeholders, Justices of the Peace, Commissioners of the Land-Tax, and other Heritors of the Sewartry of Kirkcudbright, mingling our tears with the flood of universal sorrow, most respectfully approach your Royal Highness with sentiments of sincere condolence and heartfelt sympathy.

We contemplate with painful feelings that awful dispensation of Divine Providence, which bereft your Royal Highness of your most amiable daughter and her infant son, and we revolve with deep lamentation on that accumulated distress which you must feel as a Parent and as a Prince.

Soothing would it be to our feelings, could we cherish the hope that by our participation in your sorrow we could alleviate the burthen of your grief; but alas! such affliction cannot be consoled by any effort of human power.

We, therefore, offer up our prayers to God, imploring Him to send from Heaven those Divine consolations which alone can mitigate the poignancy of your sorrow—restore tranquillity to your troubled heart—and strengthen your Royal Highness to discharge the important duties of your exalted situation.

Signed in our name and by our appointment, in our presence, at Kirkcudbright the 9th day of December 1817. *David Lamont, Preses.*

[*Transmitted by David Lamont, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

The loyal and dutiful Address of the Town of East Loos.

WE, the Mayor, Recorder, Capital Burgesses,