enjoy a long period of future happiness and prosperity.

Signed in name, in presence, and by appointment of the Meeting, held at Dingwall, 10th Dec. 1817.

Hector Mackenzie, His Majesty's Lieutenant for the County of Ross.

[*Transmitted by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.*]

To His Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg.

WE, the Bailiff, Aldermen, Clergy, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of Kidderminster, beg leave to offer our sincerest condolence with your Serene Highness, for the bereavement which your Serene Highness has experienced by the death of your late Royal and beloved Consort, the Princess Charlotte.

Though aware that nothing but the consolation of Heaven can bring effectual relief to the wounded heart of your Serene Highness, yet we cannot but express our admiration of your uniformly tender solicitude to promote the happiness of her Royal Highness, and our hope that the consciousness of having so done your duty, and thereby won the gratitude of the British nation, together with a well-grounded hope of enjoying an eternity of blessedness with her whose loss you now deplore, may afford you support in these hours of trial, and reconcile you in some measure to the mournful and afflicting event.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

William Boycot, High Bailiff.

[*Transmitted by the High Bailiff, and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.*]

To his Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg.

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Bedford, assembled, presume, though not without hesitation, in moments consecrated to private sorrow, respectfully to offer our sincere condolence to your Serene Highness, and to express that profound grief which we experience in common with the rest of this nation, upon the premature and lamentable death of your late beloved Consort, the Princess Charlotte Augusta.

Deeply as we deplore our national, our incalculable loss, we feel no less acutely for that sustained by your Serene Highness, whose union with our lamented Princess was hailed by the general voice of the United Kingdoms with unfeigned satisfaction—a satisfaction progressively augmented and confirmed by the gratifying display of all those amiable and endearing virtues which adorned the domestic life of your illustrious Consort and your Serene Highness, affording at once a bright example, and an earnest of future hopes.

Humbly trusting that the cordial manifestation of a whole people's regard and sympathy will not be unwelcome to the afflicted feelings of your Serene Highness, we earnestly pray, that the same Almighty hand which, guided by unerring wisdom, has thought fit to inflict so painful a wound, may vouchsafe a degree of comfort and support commensurate to your sufferings under this most calamitous and awful visitation.

Signed in behalf of the Meeting,

Samuel Crawley, Sheriff.

[*Transmitted by the High Sheriff, and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.*]

To His Serene Highness Leopold Prince of Saxe Cobourg.

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Inhabitants of the Town of Wakefield and its vicinity, beg leave to approach your Serene Highness with the humble tribute of our sincere condolence on your great, your irreparable loss.

It has pleased the Supreme Being to take from you a Princess whose virtues and accomplishments were the Admiration of all, but whose transcendent worth none like your Serene Highness could really appreciate. It has pleased the Supreme, and this consideration, we are sensible, will afford you strength to support an affliction which our feeble language would in vain attempt to describe.

Impressed with a feeling of this severe affliction, with hearts overwhelmed with sorrow, we present to your Serene Highness these expressions of our sympathy and affection, though sensible how unable we are to administer to you that consolation we should rejoice to impart.

May that Power, which has dispensed the affliction, dispense also balm to heal the painful wound—May the Lord of Heaven and Earth long preserve your Serene Highness, and extend his Almighty protection to those virtues which have made you dear to Britons, and made your sorrows sacred in the eyes of a great, a generous, and an affectionate people.

On behalf of the Meeting at which this Address was unanimously adopted, I have the honour to subscribe myself your Serene Highness's most faithful, most obedient, and very humble servant,

Jeremiah Todd Naylor, Chairman of the Meeting, and Constable of the Town of Wakefield.

[*Transmitted by the Constable, and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.*]

To His Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg.

SIR,

WE, His Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Mayor, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Borough and Parish of Barnstaple and its Neighbourhood, request permission to approach your Serene Highness with expressions of the most lively concern, and most sincere condolence on the late melancholy event, which has overwhelmed you with the bitterest affliction, and laid prostrate the fairest hopes and expectations of the whole British Empire.

In adverting to this dark and dreadful visitation, we are fearful of intruding upon your sacred sorrows, and of reviving, if not of aggravating, the distressed pressure of those feelings, with which