

Royal Burgh of Inverkeithing, impressed with the deepest sorrow, beg leave to offer to your Royal Highness our unanimous condolence upon the late very melancholy event, and great national calamity sustained by the premature death of her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta.

We must long continue to lament this severe dispensation of Providence, so afflicting to your Royal Highness, and which has deprived the nation of the illustrious object of their future hopes, the presumptive heiress to the Crown, endeared to all by the virtues which she so conspicuously manifested in the relations of private life, as well as by her known attachment to that excellent constitution of Government, by which this nation has been distinguished above all the other nations in the world.

Signed in name and by appointment of the Magistrates and Town Council convened at Inverkeithing, the 6th day of January 1818.

*Robert Walker, Provost.*

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

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

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Presbytery of Edinburgh, beg leave to offer to your Royal Highness our heartfelt condolence, on the deep and unlooked for affliction with which it has pleased Almighty God to visit your Royal house, and the British empire, in the death of her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta, and in the consequent disappointment of those bright and interesting hopes, with which her character and situation had animated every rank of the people.

We sympathize with unfeigned respect and affection in the severity of that dispensation which has fallen so heavily on your Royal Highness's domestic comfort. In doing so, we participate in the feelings of every order of men in His Majesty's dominions; and we heartily join them in deploring this most melancholy and unexpected event as a great national calamity.

It is with every sentiment of loyalty and gratitude, that we recollect the long series of public and private blessings which this favoured country has enjoyed under the protection of your Royal Highness's illustrious House, and under the parental reign of our venerable Sovereign.

And, while we bow with humility and resignation before the decree of Heaven, which has so suddenly deprived a loyal people of that estimable Princess, to whom they looked up with so much delight and expectation, we trust that the God of all Grace will vouchsafe to your Royal Highness, every personal consolation of which your aggravated affliction can admit; and that his Almighty Providence will continue to uphold the strength and splendour of his Majesty's Throne, and his august family, through many generations.

Signed in name, presence, and by appointment of the Presbytery of Edinburgh, at Edinburgh,

the 31st day of December, in the year 1817,  
by *David Ritchie, Moderator.*

[*Transmitted by the Rev. David Ritchie, 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, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Antrim, assembled, most humbly offer to your Royal Highness the assurance of our most sincere and heartfelt condolence on the lamentable death of your august daughter the Princess Charlotte Augusta; a death which has blighted the fairest and fondest hopes of the nation, and plunged it into universal woe.

To participate in the grief of the Crown on the death of a Princess, is the natural effusion of sentiment in a loyal people; on this occasion we bewail the loss of a Princess who has been taken from the world amidst all the enjoyments that earthly happiness could give, future prospects promise, or virtue attain.

The hearts of the nation were anxiously fixed on an event which would have secured to your illustrious House and the empire (by another tie), the blessings of a succession to the Throne, in a descendant from our lamented Princess, whose early, though matured virtues and genius, had given to her the proudest promise of her future greatness.

The Almighty God has ordained it otherwise. He has chastened us in our vain hope; and only to the consolation of Religion can your Royal Highness and the people flee for resignation to His Divine will.

On this calamitous event we again pour out our most humble but unfeigned condolence, and sincerely pray that the gracious God may be pleased to grant to your Royal Highness and your august House comfort and consolation under this heavy affliction.

*Donegall, Chirman.*

[*Transmitted by His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness George PRINCE REGENT, &c. &c. &c.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Freeholders of the ancient and Royal Manor of Carlow, beg leave most humbly to approach you, to sympathize in that affliction which is occasioned by the death of Her Royal Highness Princess Charlotte Augusta.

We wish not to intrude too long upon these moments sacred to grief; but in the hope that you will regard, as some alleviation of your Royal Highness's sorrow, this expression of our heartfelt condolence, we offer it in unison with the rest of His Majesty's subjects.

*Benedict Hamilton, Chairman.*

[*Transmitted by His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]