

British people have sustained in the unexpected and untimely death of your daughter, the Princess Charlotte Augusta.

While we bow in humble acquiescence to the unsearchable decrees of Him who ruleth over all, we must long continue to feel and to deplore that calamitous event which has converted every dwelling in the land into an house of mourning, which has crushed to the dust all a father's hope, and all a nation's pride.

But a ray of divine comfort breaks in upon the depth of our distress; we call to mind the wisdom and the mercy of our God, and we trust that He, who in times past did so many wonderful things for our fathers and for our country, will still raise out of your illustrious House a line of distinguished Princes to sway the sceptre of our land to the latest posterity over a free and a loyal people.

That Almighty God would encompass your Royal Highness and every member of your Family with His choicest blessings, that he would soothe your sorrows with those consolations of religion which this world, with all its wisdom and with all its grandeur, cannot supply, and that He would guide you in those paths which lead to true glory on earth and to endless felicity in Heaven, is the prayer of, may it please your Royal Highness, His Majesty's most loyal and most faithful subjects, the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the Lodge of Free Masons at Inveraray, in the Shire of Argyll.

Done in our Lodge this 29th day of December 1817, and signed in our name and at our appointment, by  
Argyll, R. W. M. St. John's Lodge of Freemasons, Inveraray.

[Transmitted by the Duke of Argyll, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]

**T**HE 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:

To His Serene Highness Leopold Prince of Saxe Cobourg.

*May it please your Serene Highness,*

WE, the Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Cardigan, assembled at a Meeting held at the Town-Hall in the Town of Aberystwith, in the said County, this 14th day of January 1818, impressed with sentiments of heartfelt grief which has filled the breasts of every individual on the recent national calamity, humbly beg to assure your Serene Highness we participate in your sorrow for the loss of her, who was at once the nation's pride and hope, and all the consolation our sincere sympathy can convey we humbly offer.

Allow us also to express the sentiments of admiration and regard your many virtues in public as well as private life call forth, particularly for the unremitting attention and kindness to our lamented and beloved Princess, which will ever endear you to this nation.

That the same Omnipotent Power which inflicted the severe blow, may soften and alleviate the affliction

it has occasioned, and restore your Serene Highness to health and a comparative state of happiness, is our ardent prayer.

Signed at the request and on the behalf of the Meeting,  
W. E. Powell, Chairman.

[Transmitted by W. E. Powell, Esq. M. P. and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.]

To His Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe-Cobourg.

WE, the Nobility, Gentlemen, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Rutland, beg leave to express to your Serene Highness our sentiments of sincere condolence and unfeigned sorrow, on the irreparable loss your Serene Highness has experienced by the death of your amiable and ever-to-be-lamented consort.

We had cherished the hope of your enjoyment of a long series of domestic happiness, and we had fondly looked to a succession of virtuous and patriotic Sovereigns; the inscrutable wisdom of Providence has disappointed these hopes, and it is our duty to submit, humbly praying the Almighty to support you under this severe affliction.

We beg to assure your Serene Highness, that we shall ever feel the most sincere interest in your future happiness.

Signed at the request of a County Meeting, this 17th day of January 1818,

Thomas Falkner Baines, High Sheriff.

[Transmitted by the Earl of Winchelsea, G. K. and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.]

To His Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe-Cobourg.

*May it please your Serene Highness,*

THE Highland Society of Scotland, incorporated by Royal Charter, assembled in a General Meeting, beg leave to lay before your Serene Highness their sincere sympathy and condolence on the late most severe and heart-rending affliction with which your Serene Highness has been visited. They would not intrude on the sacredness of your sorrow with common place topics of consolation, but they cannot fail to contemplate with satisfaction that best source of comfort which your Serene Highness possesses, in the piety and virtue which eminently distinguish your character, and in the assurance of that esteem, respect, and attachment, which those excellent qualities have impressed on the nation ever since your Serene Highness has resided among us.

Sealed with the seal of the Society, and signed in its name by

Buccleuch, &c. President H. S. S.

Edinburgh, January 13, 1818.

[Transmitted by the Duke of Buccleuch, and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.]

To His Serene Highness Leopold Prince of Saxe-Cobourg Saalfeld, &c. &c. &c.

WE, the London Society of the Sons of Morven, instituted for the preservation of the Celtic or Gaelic Language, as spoken in the Highlands of