

of her august family; and retiring in a great measure from that world of which, by her virtues and accomplishments, she was formed to be one of the greatest ornaments, she devoted herself to the milder duties of domestic life. The enlightened companion in happiness, the soothing comforter in affliction of our beloved and venerable King, she fixed herself in the hearts of his people,—where her memory will be cherished, and her virtues recorded, from generation to generation.

The pleasing consciousness that, during a painful and protracted illness, every act of filial duty and love was administered by the person most dear to her on earth, is wholly your Royal Highness's; and that consciousness, with the support of that high and gracious power who alone can administer consolation to the afflicted heart, will, we humbly trust, support your Royal Highness, and restore you to peace and happiness.

We earnestly entreat your Royal Highness graciously to accept of this our latest tribute of veneration to the memory of our gracious and revered Queen,—and the assurances of our steady and unalterable attachment to your Royal Highness and your Illustrious Family.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment,
at Renfrew, this 14th day of December 1818.

Glasgow, Preses

[Transmitted by the Earl of Glasgow, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]

By His Royal Highness the PRINCE of WALES,
REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Ireland, in the Name and on the
Behalf of His Majesty,

A PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE, P. R.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Royal Authority, and for the care of His Majesty's Royal Person during the continuance of His Majesty's illness, and for the resumption of the exercise of the Royal Authority by His Majesty;" it was amongst other things enacted, that if Her Majesty the Queen should depart this life during the time that the care of His Majesty's Royal Person should be committed to Her Majesty, according to the provisions of the said Act, the Regent should forthwith order and direct a Proclamation, under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to be issued and published declaring the same: and whereas by another Act, passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to alter and amend certain of the provisions of an Act, passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to provide for the administration of the Royal Authority, and for the care of His Majesty's Royal Person during the continuance of His Majesty's illness, and for the resumption of the exercise of the Royal

"Authority by His Majesty;" it was amongst other things enacted, that if the case should happen in which it was enacted by the said Act, passed in the fifty-first year of His Majesty, that the Regent should forthwith order and direct such Proclamation to be issued and published as aforesaid, and the same should happen upon or after the day appointed by any Writ of Summons then issued, for calling and assembling a new Parliament, and before such new Parliament should have met and sat as a Parliament, then, and in such case, the Regent should forthwith cause such a Proclamation as aforesaid to be issued and published, declaring that such case had happened, and requiring the new Parliament either to convene and sit at Westminster immediately after such Proclamation should have been published, or upon some day to be mentioned in such Proclamation, and being within sixty days to be computed from the date of the said Proclamation; and in such case the Parliament so convening and sitting should be, and be deemed a Parliament to all intents and purposes, under the provisions of the said last mentioned Acts: and whereas the Parliament which was summoned to meet at Westminster on the fourth day of August last, hath not yet met and sat as a Parliament, but stands prorogued to the twenty-ninth day of December now next ensuing: and whereas Her Majesty the Queen departed this life on the seventeenth day of November instant, during the time that the care of His Majesty's Royal Person was committed to Her Majesty: now we do hereby by this Proclamation (ordered and directed to be issued and published, and issued and published under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland), declare, that Her Majesty the Queen departed this life on the seventeenth day of November instant, and We do, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, publish, declare, and require, that the new Parliament shall be held, convene, and sit, at Westminster, on the fourteenth day of January now next ensuing, for the dispatch of divers urgent and important affairs, and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses of the House of Commons, are hereby required and commanded to give their attendance accordingly on the said fourteenth day of January now next ensuing; and We do hereby further publish and declare, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, that the said Parliament shall on the twenty-ninth day of December now next ensuing, be further prorogued to the said fourteenth day of January now next ensuing; and We have, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, given Order to the Chancellor of that part of the United Kingdom called Great Britain, to prepare a Writ Patent, under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, for proroguing the same accordingly.

Given at the Court at Carlton-House, this nineteenth day of November one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, in the fifty-ninth year of His Majesty's reign.

GOD save the KING.