

the conscientious discharge of every domestic and social duty, and by that dignified example and deport which, during the period of almost sixty years, has upheld the purity of our national morals, and shed a lustre round the Throne which she shared.

To your Royal Highness belongs the consciousness and praise of alleviating the suffering of the best of Parents, by the tenderest attentions of filial love. But in the character of the deceased, the survivor seeks his highest consolation: soon may the emotions of sorrow yield to the consolatory assurance, that the righteous is gone to her reward.

*J. Wynne Eyton, High Sheriff.*

[*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 and dutiful Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of Banbury.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of Banbury, in Common Hall assembled, humbly beg permission to express to your Royal Highness our deep concern and dutiful condolence on the severe affliction of your Royal Highness and the Royal Family; and to assure your Royal Highness how deeply we deplore, as a public calamity, the heavy loss the nation has sustained in the death of our late Most Gracious Queen, whose example and influence had been rendered so effectually subservient to the interests of morality, and to the happiness of every class of His Majesty's subjects.

We pray your Royal Highness to accept our assurances of duty, loyalty, and attachment to His Majesty, your Royal Highness, and every branch of the Royal Family.

Done at a Common Hall held this 18th day of December 1818.

[*Transmitted by the Honourable Frederick J. N. Douglas, M. P. for the Borough, 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 States of His Majesty's Island of Alderney.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, the Governor, the Court, the King's Officers, and Dozeniers of His Majesty's Island of Alderney, in the States assembled, humbly approach your Royal Highness to offer our sincere and heartfelt condolence on the death of Her late gracious Majesty the Queen.

Rather than add to the poignancy of your affliction by dwelling too deeply on that melancholy event, deign to permit us to lay at the feet of your Royal Highness our profound veneration for the memory of the beloved Consort of our highly revered Monarch, whose exemplary virtues will

leave to posterity an unrivalled pattern of excellence, not only in her exalted situation, but also, as a Wife and a Mother.

Whilst we sincerely join in the national grief, we at the same time are bound to remember the gratitude so justly due to the Almighty, for having vouchsafed to preserve to this kingdom for so long a period a Queen endowed with every virtue that could adorn a Throne, and render her worthy of an immortal Crown.

That it may please Almighty God to comfort and support your Royal Highness, and the Royal Family under this severe visitation, and that your Royal Highness by submitting thereto with pious resignation, may not endanger a life so valuable to the British nation, is the fervent prayer of the faithful and loyal Inhabitants of this Island.

*John Le Mesurier, Governor Commanding.*

Alderney, 30th December 1818.

[*Transmitted by John Le Mesurier, Esq. Governor, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

The humble Address of the States of the Island of Jersey.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, the States of His Majesty's Island of Jersey, cherishing, with unabated fidelity, those sentiments of attachment to the persons of our Sovereigns, which we have inherited from our forefathers, ever behold with feelings of unfeigned sympathy, every afflictive event which befalls the Royal Family.

Under these impressions, and sensible as we are, of the truly filial reverence, affection, and tenderness, which your Royal Highness has always evinced towards your illustrious Parents, we crave leave to approach your Royal Highness with our sincere condolence on the loss you have recently sustained of your august Mother, our most gracious and beloved Queen,

But, whilst we lament it, as productive of sorrow to your Royal Highness, we have to lament it also in a public point of view.—By her departure from this mortal scene of existence, we are deprived of a bright example of all the christian virtues, which, seated on a Throne, shone with distinguished and conspicuous lustre, and diffused its salutary influence throughout the British empire.

Yet, with these expressions of our deep regret we feel it our duty to mix our thankful acknowledgements to the all-wise Disposer of events, for having vouchsafed to the people of these realms the continuance among them of this amiable pattern of piety and goodness for a long series of years; and we are persuaded that this reflection will minister much consolation to your Royal Highness.

That the Almighty may shower his choicest blessings on the head of your Royal Highness, and long, very long, preserve a life so necessary to the welfare of the kingdom, is the constant and ardent prayer of the States of the Island of Jersey. By order of the States,

*Francis Godfray, Greff.*

Jersey, 28th December 1818.

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Chatham, K. G. the Governor, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]