

sensible that the loss sustained by the nation is great indeed.

We most unfeignedly sympathise in the distress of your Royal Highness on this melancholly occasion, and most sincerely offer to your Royal Highness the humble assurance of our heartfelt and dutiful condolence.

That the administration of your Royal Highness's Government may continue to establish the Throne in the hearts of His Majesty's subjects, and that the descendants of your illustrious House, forming themselves upon your example, may sway the sceptre of these realms with justice and renown to the latest posterity, are the earnest prayers of, may it please your Royal Highness, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Queensferry.

Signed, in our name and by our appointment, at Queensferry, the 16th day of December 1818 years, and the common seal of the Burgh hereto affixed.

*Campbell Innes, Chief-Magistrate.*

[*Transmitted by John Campbell, Esq. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

The humble Address of the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Norfolk.

WE, the Nobility, Gentry, Clergy, and Freeholders of the County of Norfolk, beg leave to express to your Royal Highness our sentiments of sincere condolence on the demise of Her late Majesty.

We feel assured that we speak the sentiments of this great body of the people of these kingdoms, when we declare to your Royal Highness our conviction that the example of Her late Majesty during a long reign, has had a very important influence upon the morals and society of this country. The pre-eminent situation in which she was placed by Providence, rendered her actions and deportment a matter of universal attention, but the power and authority of that station were never abused to the encouragement of vice or irreligion. Distinguished herself for integrity and rectitude of conduct, she uniformly wished that the Court over which she presided should be conspicuous amongst those of Europe for propriety and decorum.

In confirmation of the general opinion which attributes to Her late Majesty a faithful discharge of the practical duties of life, we may be permitted here to advert to various acts of unostentatious charity and benevolence. Those who were partakers of them, and those whose duties placed them near Her Royal Person, bear ample testimony of this most amiable part of her character. Other parts of her conduct has been, from the situation which Her Majesty filled, more open to the observation of the country. The warmth of connubial affection has never been diminished during the long period of more than fifty years; the same personal attention was exhibited towards a venerable con-

sort in the hour of affliction, which was shewn to him in the day of youth, prosperity, and health. It must have been a source of great satisfaction to your revered Parent to witness, during her protracted sufferings, the various proofs of regard and affection on the part of your Royal Highness and your illustrious relatives: with the sorrows of filial piety we deeply sympathize; at the same time we venture to suggest to your Royal Highness that some consolation may be derived from reflecting that the influence, conduct, and example of Her late Majesty will be long remembered, and continue to command the respect and esteem of a grateful country.

[*Transmitted by Lord Suffield, Lord Lieutenant of the County, 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.

**W**HEREAS William Earl of Errol was duly elected and returned to be one of the sixteen Peers of Scotland, to sit in the House of Peers in the present Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and is since deceased; in order to the electing another Peer of Scotland to sit in his room, We do, in the name and on the behalf of His Majesty, and by and with the advice of His Majesty's Privy Council, issue forth this Proclamation, strictly charging and commanding all the Peers of Scotland to assemble and meet at Holyrood-House, in Edinburgh, on Thursday the eighteenth day of March next, between the hours of twelve and two in the afternoon, to nominate and choose another Peer of Scotland, to sit and vote in the House of Peers of this present Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the room of the said William Earl of Errol, deceased, by open election and plurality of voices of the Peers that shall then be present, and of the proxies of such as shall be absent (such proxies being Peers, and producing a mandate in writing, duly signed before witnesses, and both constituent and proxy being qualified according to law), and the Lord Clerk Register, or such two of the Principal Clerks of the Session as shall be appointed by him to officiate in his name, are hereby respectively required to attend such meeting, and to administer the oaths required by law to be taken there by the said Peers, and to take their votes; and immediately after such election made and duly examined, to certify the name of the Peer so-elected, and sign and attest the same in the presence of the said Peers the electors, and return such certificate into the High Court of Chancery of Great Britain. And We strictly charge and command that this Proclamation be duly published at the Market-Cross at Edinburgh, and in all the county towns in Scotland; twenty-five days, at least, before the time hereby ap-