

The indefatigable, impartial and most able exertions of His Royal Highness, in exercising the high authority delegated to him by your Majesty as Commander-in-Chief of the forces, will not only be ever most gratefully remembered by all classes of your Majesty's subjects, but must be universally allowed to have been the means of establishing the discipline and constitution of that army, which for valour and military achievement history may be justly challenged to excel, and has raised a monument to His Royal Highness' name, which will be handed down to posterity among the patriots and statesmen of the age.

We humbly trust your Majesty will, by the Divine assistance, be enabled to sustain with fortitude and resignation this painful dispensation of Providence; and we most fervently implore the Almighty will long, very long continue your Majesty's life, rendered most precious to all your Majesty's subjects by your wise administration and paternal Government, and the undeviating solicitude your Majesty constantly displays in promoting the welfare and prosperity of the Empire.

Given under our common seal at the City of Exeter, the 3d day of February 1827.

[Transmitted by the Town Clerk.]

To His Most Excellent Majesty George the Fourth, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith:

The loyal and dutiful Address of the Merchant Company of Leith.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Incorporation of Merchants of Leith, ever actuated by the most unfeigned and ardent attachment to your Majesty, our Most Gracious Sovereign, beg leave, on the present occasion, to offer to your Majesty the tribute of our most sincere sympathy and condolence on the late melancholy affliction with which it has pleased Almighty God to visit your Majesty, your illustrious House, and the whole Nation, in the death of your Royal Brother, His Royal Highness Frederick Duke of York and Albany.

In the death of this Prince your Majesty's illustrious Family have lost a Member whose virtues and affections were of no ordinary kind; the British army a Commander-in-Chief, whose fatherly care and protecting hand were extended alike to every rank, and by whose skill and indefatigable exertions in his official station, the glory of the British arms has been rendered deservedly pre-eminent in every quarter of the world.

We sincerely trust that your Majesty may be enabled to support this dispensation of Divine Providence with fortitude, and we most earnestly pray that your Majesty may long experience how close and endearing the connection is between the feelings of the King and those of his people.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment, at a meeting of the Incorporation, specially called for the purpose, and the seal of the Incorporation is hereto affixed at Leith; the 30th day of January 1827 years. *John Macfie, Master*

[Transmitted by John Macfie, Esq. Master.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen and Capital Burgesses of the Borough of Congleton, in the County Palatine of Chester, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, beg leave most humbly to offer to your Majesty the expression of our sincere and heartfelt condolence on the decease of His late Royal Highness the Duke of York and Albany, your Majesty's illustrious Brother.

We deeply sympathize with your Majesty and the other branches of the Royal Family in your present severe affliction and irreparable loss, and participate most sincerely and unfeignedly in the national sorrow, occasioned by the lamented death of His Royal Highness, and with mingled feelings of grief and gratitude we offer this record of our respectful admiration of the virtues and charities which adorned his character, and of our lasting remembrance of his services to a country largely indebted to his unwearied exertions and unbending and strict impartiality and justice, by which the character of the British soldier has been raised pre-eminently high, and before whose valour and consummate skill the haughty conqueror of nations fell, exalting England to that enviable rank she so justly holds amongst the kingdoms of the earth.

In the midst of our grief we cannot but feel most gratefully the many blessings we enjoy under the mild and free Government of your Majesty, and we earnestly pray that your Majesty's reign may continue long and prosperous; and we beg your Majesty will be graciously pleased to accept the tender of our unalterable duty and attachment to your Majesty's most sacred Person and Government, and allow us to express our fixed determination to support and defend the honour and dignity of the Crown, and to maintain inviolate our invaluable Constitution.

By order and on the behalf of the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses,

*John Jackson, Mayor.*

[Delivered by John Woolley, Esq.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*Sire,*

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood of Denbigh, beg leave, with the most profound sentiments of veneration and respect, to offer up the sincere and heartfelt expression of our sorrow for the recent melancholy loss which your Majesty has sustained by the demise of His Royal Highness the Duke of York, your late illustrious Brother.

In common with every class of your Majesty's subjects in this kingdom, we deplore this lamented event as a great public calamity, not less afflicting to the individual happiness of your Majesty, than important to the interests of the Nation at large.

The invaluable services rendered to his country by that illustrious Prince, while discharging the arduous duties of that department at the head of which he had so long and so ably distinguished himself, have not alone embalmed his memory in the heart of every soldier, as the pride and ornament of the army; the liberal, benevolent, and upright distributor of its patronage and honours, but secured to his vigilance and judgment, in directing the energies