

most lively interest in every event which affects the welfare and happiness of your Illustrious Family, we deeply lament the loss of a Princess endeared to you by her affection and by her virtues; and we sincerely condole with your Royal Highness in the sufferings which a parent's heart must endure, under a calamity so severe and unexpected.

We fervently implore the Great Disposer of All, that He will bestow on your Royal Highness that strong consolation which is to be derived only from firm confidence in the righteousness and wisdom of His Sovereignty—that He will pour His choicest blessings on your Royal Highness, and continue to prosper your Government, which has hitherto been administered with so much prudence, equity, and firmness; and that he will maintain till the latest posterity the mild and paternal government of your Illustrious House, under which we have enjoyed so much prosperity and happiness.

Signed in name, presence, and by appointment of the Guildry,

*James Inglis, Dean of Guild.*

[*Transmitted by James Inglis, Esq. Dean of Guild, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's faithful subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the Borough of King's Lynn, in the County of Norfolk, in Council Assembled, humbly beg leave to express our most respectful, but cordial sympathy, on the sudden and calamitous event, so deeply afflictive to the paternal feelings of your Royal Highness, and which has spread universal heartfelt sorrow throughout His Majesty's realms.

Without daring to recur to the promise of so much blessing to our country, from a character already distinguished by the highest virtues—without any irreverent murmurs in contemplating this awful dispensation of Divine Providence, we are anxious to dwell on the excellencies of a mind trained up and prepared for utility and for happiness, by the wise and parental care of your Royal Highness; and while we gratefully acknowledge this essential discharge of private and public duty, we are furnished with the best and most assured ground of consolation.

These recollections, we humbly trust, will impart the purest comfort to your Royal Highness; to the Illustrious and exemplary Consort, his Serene Highness the Prince Leopold, and to every individual of the Royal Family; and we beg, on this melancholy approach to your Royal Highness, to repeat the warmest assurances of our unceasing loyalty—of our dutiful and affectionate attachment.

Given under our Common Seal, at our Guildhall, the 27th day of November, in the year of our Lord 1817.

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Orford, High Steward of King's Lynn, and Lord Walpole, and Sir M. B. Folkes, Bart. M. P. for that Borough, and presented by Lord Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE of WALES, REGENT of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

WE, the Mayor, High Steward, Recorder, Corporation, and other Inhabitants of the ancient and loyal Town of Guildford, in the County of Surrey, most humbly beg leave to offer to your Royal Highness our condolence on the great and irreparable loss which your Royal Highness and the British Empire have recently sustained in the death of her late Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta.

It is impossible for us to call to remembrance those bright hopes which were excited in the breasts of this nation, by the many virtues of our beloved Princess, and to consider her as the person who was apparently destined to perpetuate the illustrious House of Brunswick, (which is identified with every thing that is dear to us as Britons), without the most heartfelt sorrow at this great public calamity. And we cannot forget, that, while your Royal Highness participates in the general affliction, to you the loss is especially severe, having been thus deprived of a justly endeared and only child.

And we feel called upon to offer up our prayers to Almighty God, whom it has pleased to visit your Royal Highness and the Empire with so great an affliction, that he will enable us all to bow with submission to his inscrutable providence, and so to improve the late awful event, that we may obtain the continuance of those many blessings which are still attendant on the reign of your Royal Highness's Family, and on the preservation of our excellent constitution.

Signed,

By Order, and on behalf of the Mayor, &c.

*Joseph Hockley, Town Clerk.*

[*Transmitted by Mr. Serjeant Best, and presented by Lord Viscount Sidmouth.*]

Unto His Royal Highness the Prince REGENT.

The affectionate and dutiful Address of the Presbytery of Lanark.

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Presbytery of Lanark, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with the unfeigned expression of our heartfelt sympathy and deep regret, on account of the melancholy loss which your Royal Highness and the Nation at large have sustained, by the death of your much loved, and ever to be lamented daughter, the Princess Charlotte. The sincere and universal sorrow felt by all ranks and conditions of men on this occasion, bears ample testimony to the high place, which she held in the hearts and affections of the people, and is a sure proof of the grievous calamity which they conceive themselves to have sustained by her untimely removal. Distinguished not more by her exalted rank, than by the attainment of the highest accomplishments, and the exercise of the most amiable virtues, she gave fair promise of being an eminent pattern to those of her own sex, and a great blessing to the British nation. While we bow with reverence and resignation to the will of