

Free Burgesses, and Inhabitants of the Borough of East Looe, participating in the general feeling, excited by the recent demise of Her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte Augusta of Wales, beg leave to express to your Royal Highness our sentiments of unfeigned sorrow and regret at this afflicting event; we earnestly hope and trust, that resignation to the Divine Will, aided by the sincere and universal expressions of affliction at your great loss, and attachment to your august Person, which this melancholy event has produced in this United Kingdom, will in time alleviate the intense sorrow which overwhelms your Royal Highness on this sudden and severe visitation; and whilst presenting our humble condolence on this melancholy occasion, we beg to assure your Royal Highness of our firm attachment to your sacred person, and offer up our sincere prayers to the Throne of Grace for averting every future evil, and for the continuance of every blessing to your Royal Highness, and to the august and Illustrious House of Brunswick.

Agreed at the Meeting that this Address be signed by the Worshipful the Mayor, and that Vice Admiral Sir Edward Buller, Baronet, be requested to have it presented to His Royal Highness the Prince Regent.

*Thomas Campbell, Mayor.*

[*Transmitted by Sir Edward Buller, Bart. M. P. and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

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

*May it please your Royal Highness,*

WE, His Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Mayor, Sheriffs, Citizens, and Commonalty of the Ancient City of Lincoln, beg leave in all humility and respect to approach your Royal Highness with the expression of our unfeigned condolence, on the death of your Illustrious Daughter, Her Royal Highness the Princess Charlotte of Wales.

We could indeed dwell with melancholy regret on the many virtues which endear Her Royal Highness to our remembrance—on the moral and religious excellence of her private character, and on the shining qualities which gave lustre to her public station.—But we see the delicacy of intruding our sorrows upon your Royal Highness in this hour of your own great personal distress, and therefore, whilst we owe it to our duty not to remain entirely silent, we are cautious in giving utterance to that grief which we most sincerely feel.

We rely on the Divine Mercy to afford your Royal Highness that consolation which affliction such as yours is, so necessarily requires, and, with our fervent prayers to this effect, we request permission to unite those sentiments of duty and attachment to your Royal Highness's person and government, which, as good citizens and loyal subjects, are indelibly engraven on our hearts.

The common seal of the Corporation of the City of Lincoln was hereunto affixed, by an order

of Common Council, the 11th day of December, in the Year of our Lord 1817.

*Bell, Town Clerk.*

[*Transmitted by the Mayor, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Archbishop, the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church, the Archdeacon and Clergy of the Diocese of Canterbury, humbly submit to your Royal Highness our sincere condolence with your Royal Highness, on the death of your Illustrious Daughter, Princess Charlotte Augusta, at a moment when your Royal Highness's mind, and that of an affectionate people, were full of joyful expectation.

In this expression of deep and unfeigned grief, common to the whole empire, we trust your Royal Highness will find some consolation, as it proves not only the just estimate which the empire has taken of the many promising virtues of your late Royal Daughter, public and private; but also, the loyal, affectionate and dutiful attachment which it bears to your Royal Highness's person, and to every branch of your Royal Family.

We pray God to administer to your Royal Highness, that perfect consolation which he alone can administer.

[*Transmitted by his Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.*]

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT.

The humble Address of the Bishop of Bath and Wells, and of the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Saint Andrew, in Wells.

WE, His Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Bishop of Bath and Wells, and the Dean and Canons of the Cathedral Church of Saint Andrew, in Wells, consider ourselves bound by duty, as we are ever led by inclination to feel for the private sorrows, as well as to participate in the public joys of your Royal Highness and your august Family.

We therefore approach your Royal Highness with expressions of heartfelt condolence upon the late most grievous calamity, with which it has pleased Almighty God to afflict your Royal Highness, the community in general, and every individual in it, who is attached to his country and interested in its welfare.

The amount of the actual benefit and the prospective blessings of which this awful event has deprived us, it would be as difficult to calculate, as it would be distressing to particularize.

We would cautiously abstain from aggravating parental anguish, by probing those wounds, which we would gladly heal. But permit us, Sir, in due subordination to those far higher comforts which religious resignation and religious hope can alone communicate, to cast in our humble share of such consolations, as the testimony of universal and, we believe, unprecedented sympathy can afford.

The object of your Royal Highness's regret is embalmed by the nation's spontaneous tears, and