

Scotland, humbly beg leave to express our condolence on the heart-rending domestic and public calamity which has bereaved your Serene Highness of the dearest treasure, linked with the fondest hope, that can bless the soul of man, and deprived His Royal Highness the Prince Regent and the nation, of the fairest expectations that were ever cherished by a sympathizing, loyal, and patriotic people.

While we fondly muse on the amiable life of our beloved Princess, our admiration is as unbounded as our regret is poignant; and while we contemplate her angelic disposition, dignified affability, and praiseworthy benevolence, calling for the tear of joy from the gratitude of the poor, and shedding a ray of glory round their hallowed habitations, there is no feature in her memorable life more pleasing, than the discernment that bestowed on you the fairest hand of beauty, and the purest heart of royalty.

To dwell on the virtues of departed worth, may be soothing to the anguished heart of affection; but conscious that any praise of ours can add nothing to her excellence, and fearing we might wound where we would apply balm, we shall pray the Almighty Disposer of events to afford that consolation which is most grateful to the melancholy mind of affliction; and that He may long spare your Serene Highness in the bosom of a devoted people, to reflect the many virtues of your beloved, incomparable, and universally-lamented consort.

[*Transmitted by the Secretary, Malcolm Currie, Esq. and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.*]

To His Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg.

The affectionate Address of the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the Lodge of Freemasons at Inveraray, in the Shire of Argyll.

May it please your Serene Highness,

WE, the Master, Wardens, and Brethren of the St. John's Lodge of Freemasons at Inveraray, in the Shire of Argyll, No. 45 on the Registry of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, humbly beg leave to approach your Serene Highness with assurances of our deepest sympathy and sincerest condolence on the recent loss of the amiable and ever-to-be-lamented object of your dearest affections, the Princess Charlotte of Wales.

And we offer this humble tribute, not in the spirit of mere form or of common courtesy, but because we deeply feel and lament that melancholy event, which, while it has blasted your fondest hopes, has blighted the fairest prospect of the British nation. Yet, yielding with devout resignation to the inscrutable decrees of Heaven, we feel ourselves called upon by the voice of duty, as well as by the dictates of inclination, fervently to pray, that your Serene Highness may be effectually solaced and supported under your present most trying affliction; and that you may long live among the British people, enjoying that respect and felicity which your distinguished qualities and acknowledged virtues so eminently deserve.

Done in our Lodge, this 29th day of December

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1817; and signed in our name, and at our appointment, by

Argyll, R. W. M. St. John's Lodge of Freemasons, Inveraray.

[*Transmitted by the Duke of Argyll, and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.*]

To His Serene Highness Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg.

WE, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Provost, Magistrates, and Town Councillors of the Royal Burgh of Inverkeithing, beg leave to offer to your Serene Highness our unfeigned sympathy and condolence on that late severe dispensation of Providence, which has deprived the nation of the illustrious object of their future hopes, and your Serene Highness of a most amiable wife.

We are anxious to assure your Serene Highness, that we deeply participate in the general sorrow which the melancholy event has excited; and it is our most fervent prayer, that time may alleviate the grief of your Serene Highness.

Signed in name, and by appointment of the Magistrates and Town Council, convened at Inverkeithing, the 6th day of January 1818,
Robert Walker, Provost.

[*Transmitted by the Provost, and presented by Sir Robert Gardiner.*]

AT the Court at Brighton, the 30th day of December 1817,

PRESENT,

His Royal Highness the PRINCE REGENT in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the twenty-eighth year of the reign of His present Majesty, intituled "An Act for regulating the trade between the subjects of His Majesty's colonies and plantations in North America and in the West India Islands and the countries belonging to the United States of America, and between His Majesty's said subjects and the Foreign Islands in the West Indies," it is, amongst other things, enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty in Council, by Order or Orders to be issued and published from time to time, to authorise, or by Warrant or Warrants under His sign manual, to empower the Governor of Newfoundland for the time being, to authorise, in case of necessity, the importation into Newfoundland of bread, flour, Indian corn, and live stock, from any of the territories belonging to the said United States, for the supply of the inhabitants and fishermen of the Island of Newfoundland, for the then ensuing season only; provided always, that such bread, flour, Indian corn, and live stock, so authorised to be imported into the Island of Newfoundland, shall not be imported except in conformity to such rules, regulations, and restrictions as shall be specified in such Order or Orders, Warrant or Warrants respectively, and except by British subjects, and in British-built