

of our sincerest condolences on the late much lamented death of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen.

The very many years during which Her Majesty so well filled the high station of Queen of England—the unexceptionable manner in which she discharged every duty to our beloved and revered Monarch, in the most trying seasons, in sickness and in health:—Her pious attendance on Divine Worship—the encouragement which she ever gave to the good—the discountenance which she shewed to the immoral—the bright pattern, in short, which she exhibited from a Throne to every wife and mother in the kingdom—these and her other Christian virtues, will long render the memory of Queen Charlotte dear to the British nation; under such circumstances much as we grieve yet do we not sorrow as those without hope.

We should however but imperfectly express our feelings on this melancholy occasion, did we not at the same time offer to your Royal Highness our just tribute of admiration for that unremitting anxiety, that filial tenderness with which your Royal Highness watched over, and alleviated the sufferings of your Royal Mother. The recollection of such conduct will, we trust, with the consolations of Christianity, support your Royal Highness under that loss with which it has pleased Almighty God to afflict yourself, and this nation.

That your Royal Highness may long be preserved to a loyal people, that you may continue to witness the prosperity of this empire—a prosperity to which your own counsels and firmness have, under Divine Providence, so very materially contributed, is the heartfelt wish, and will be the constant prayer of the Bishop and Clergy of the Cathedral and City of Chester. *Geo. H. Chester.*

[Transmitted by the Lord Bishop, and presented by Viscount Sidmouth.]

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

*May it please your Royal Highness.*

WE, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Scotland, most humbly beg leave to approach the Throne, and in the name of all the Clergy and Laity of our Communion, to express our deep condolence with your Royal Highness, with every branch of the Royal Family, and with our fellow-subjects at large, on the recent affliction with which it hath pleased the Supreme Disposer of all Events to visit this nation, by the ever-to-be-lamented death of our late Most Excellent Queen.

Of Her Majesty's domestic virtues, her unostentatious piety, her exemplary discharge of all the duties of a Wife and Mother, her extensive charities performed as the Divine Author of our Holy Religion hath enjoined the charities of His Disciples to be performed, with such secrecy that "the left hand may not know what the right hand doeth," it would be presumptuous in us to speak to your Royal Highness.

But we may be permitted to express our deep sense of the rectitude of Her late Majesty's public conduct, which, amidst all the violence of party,

by which the present reign has been distinguished, was uniformly directed, for upwards of fifty years, to no other object than the preservation of our glorious Constitution. To that dignified and impartial conduct, so becoming the Consort of our revered Sovereign, and to the inflexible steadiness with which Her Majesty maintained the purity of the British Court in an age, when in some other Courts the pure principles of Christianity seem to be lost sight of, we are inclined to attribute, under God, the internal peace and public prosperity of this mighty Empire, almost as much as to the success of His Majesty's and your Royal Highness's arms, unparalleled as that success hath been.

These great and exemplary virtues, while they make us deeply feel the loss which we have sustained by the death of such a Queen, must, however, afford to your Royal Highness, to all the branches of the Royal Family, and to the Nation at large, abundant consolation in the sure and certain hope derived from them, that Her late Majesty hath now "entered into the joy of her Lord."

That Almighty God, by whom Kings reign and Princes decree justice, may long preserve your Royal Highness to rule over a great, free and a happy people; and at last, when you have faithfully discharged the duties of your high station, that He may receive your Royal Highness unto Himself, that where your august Parent is, there your Royal Highness may be also, is the earnest prayer of, may it please your Royal Highness, His Majesty's and your Royal Highness's most dutiful subjects and servants,

*George Gleig, Premier Bishop; Andrew Macfarlane, Reg.; Alexander Jolly, Bishop; Daniel Sandford, Bishop; Patrick Torry, Bishop; W. Skinner, Bishop.*

[Transmitted by Dr. Gleig, Premier Bishop, 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, the Chancellor, Rector, Principals, and Professors of the University of St. Andrew, deeply interested in every event which brings joy or sorrow to the illustrious Family on the Throne, beg leave to offer to your Royal Highness the expressions of our condolence upon the death of Her late Majesty, Queen Charlotte.

With feelings the most loyal and respectful, we entered into that anxiety with which your Royal Highness watched the progressive sufferings of your amiable Parent; and now that the termination of those sufferings has dissolved one of the tenderest and earliest ties which attach us to earth, we sympathize in the grief of her affectionate Son.

We lament the melancholy blank which the death of Her Majesty has left in a family, where, with unassuming faithfulness, she performed the sacred duties of a Wife and Mother. Never can we forget, that during the long eventful period of her conjugal life, amidst the profligacy and convulsions of the times, she invariably held forth an example of piety and domestic virtue, which might soothe and cheer the mind of her august Consort,