

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

The humble Address of His Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Lord Provost, Magistrates and other Members of the Town Council of the City of Perth, in Scotland, in Council assembled.

AS it is only in the time of public danger or of private distress, that assurances of attachment and the voice of sympathy are truly appreciated, and afford their soothing and healing influences to the wounded feelings of the heart, we, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, humbly solicit permission to offer to your Majesty at this time, our sincere and heartfelt assurances how deeply we sympathize in the irreparable loss which your Majesty and the country at large have sustained, in the death of your august Brother, the Duke of York and Albany.

His loss, as a brother endeared to your Majesty by the strongest ties of fraternal affection, we feel can never be supplied, and our most sanguine anticipations can hardly lead us to expect that abilities will be easily found to fill the distinguished public situation he held, not only with so eminent advantage to the State, but so as to secure the reverence and esteem of the whole army, and the sincere affection of every loyal subject, an affection founded not more on his zeal and ability as Commander-in-Chief of the land forces of these realms, than on his firm and upright conduct as a statesman, his steady adherence to the principles of the British Constitution, and the fostering patronage which he bestowed upon so many of those charitable institutions, which shed a lustre on the character of our country and on human nature; virtues which will make his loss long and deeply regretted.

It would justly be deemed presumptuous in us, were we to attempt to enlarge upon the invaluable benefits which His late Royal Highness, by his long, unremitting and unwearied services, bestowed upon his country; but on one point, we trust, your Majesty will graciously permit us to express our feelings, and we are confident the united feelings of your subjects: when Britain, in one of the most momentous contests in which this nation was ever engaged, had justified her well-earned renown as invincible on the ocean, and found no foe to withstand her on its wide bosom; it was then that the talents and labours of His Royal Highness, coming in aid of the wisdom of your Majesty's councils, enabled this country to prove to the world, that British valour is equally matchless on either element; that in a just cause a free and loyal people must ultimately prove victorious; and, under Providence, insured that success to your Majesty's arms which restored peace once more to Europe. But those who best know the able and conscientious manner in which His late Royal Highness performed the arduous duties of his situation as Commander-in-Chief, can alone justly appreciate the value of his services to his king, to his country, and to mankind at large.

While humbly soliciting permission to express our sincere sympathy with your Majesty on this melancholy occasion, be pleased to permit us also to

renew our assurances of our devoted and inviolable attachment to your Majesty's Person, Family and Government, and our most ardent wishes and prayers to Divine Providence, that you may be long spared to meet the increasing affection of your subjects, and be enabled by Him to continue to dispense those numerous and invaluable blessings, which they have so unceasingly enjoyed under your truly paternal reign.

Signed in name, in presence and by appointment of the Town Council of the City of Perth, in Special Council assembled, by

*Patrick G. Stewart*, Lord Provost and Chief Magistrate of the City of Perth, N. B.

[Transmitted by the Honourable Hugh Lindsay, M.P.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Dean of Guild and Merchants' House of the City of Glasgow, embrace the earliest opportunity humbly to approach your Majesty, with sentiments of the most heartfelt condolence on the mournful event of the decease of His Royal Highness Frederick Duke of York and Albany.

We join in the universal feeling of profound sympathy with the grief of your Majesty for the loss of a beloved brother, endeared to your Majesty by his strong and uniformly affectionate attachment; to the British people, by the manly simplicity, sincerity, and benevolence of his character; to the British army, by his unexampled impartiality, by his steady, yet humane, system of discipline, and unremitting and exact attention to the arduous duties of the chief command of your Majesty's forces; and, above all, by his kind, considerate, and prompt attention to the rights, the comforts, and just requests of the humblest soldier.

The unparalleled efficiency to which the land forces of the empire have been raised, by the improved organization introduced by His Royal Highness during his military administration, which prepared the means of success to your Majesty's arms, will form a monument of his eminent merit, enduring as the history of British victories.

With every sentiment of zeal and dutiful attachment, we offer up our earnest prayers for a long duration of your Majesty's mild and paternal reign over a free, a loyal, and a happy people.

Signed in name, in presence, and by appointment of the Merchants' House, the Corporation seal of the said house being hereto affixed, at Glasgow, the 19th day of January 1827.

*Alexander Gurden*, Dean of Guild.

[Transmitted by *Alex. Gurden, Esq., Dean of Guild.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most affectionate and loyal subjects, the Convener, Trades' Bailies, Deacons, and Visitor of the Fourteen Incorporated Trades, and other ordinary and extraordinary Members of the Trades' House of the City of Glasgow, beg leave to approach the Throne with sentiments of profound respect and most tender sympathy.

Alive to the duty of submission to the sovereign will of the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, still we