

which raised it to its present height in the estimation of Europe, and was the means, under Providence, of restoring to this country the blessings of a secure and honourable peace.

The sentiments expressed by His Royal Highness on a late occasion, which proved him the firm and uncompromising champion of the Protestant Constitution, must endear his memory to your Majesty's loyal subjects; and though his loss is rendered more severe by the recollection, yet we sorrow not as men without hope, for we feel assured, that in your Majesty, and the other Members of the Royal Family, we may confidently look for the same steady support of the present glorious and happy Constitution.

Your Majesty will find some consolation for the loss of a beloved brother, in the sincere regret of all classes of your Majesty's loyal subjects; and we beg leave to assure you, that we yield to none in sincerely deploring this great national loss.

In testimony whereof we have hereunto caused our common seal to be affixed this 19th day of January 1827.

W. B. Fairtlough, Town Clerk.

[*Transmitted by the Lord Lieutenant.*]

Unto His Most Gracious and Most Excellent Majesty the KING.

The humble Address of the Provost, Magistrates, Council, and Burgesses of the Royal Burgh of Inveraray, in the Shire of Argyll.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's most loyal, faithful, and dutiful subjects, the Provost, Magistrates, Councillors and Burgesses of the Royal Burgh of Inveraray, beg most humbly to offer our sincere condolence on the severe dispensation with which it has pleased God to afflict your Majesty and the Nation, in the death of your late Royal Brother, His Royal Highness the Duke of York.

We sincerely deplore the calamitous event, as depriving the Crown of a highly distinguished and meritorious servant; your Majesty of a brother, who was justly endeared to you by the tenderest feelings of love and affection; and the army of a Commander-in-Chief, by whose zeal and energy, guided by prudence and wisdom, it had attained that high efficiency, to which its glorious victories, unequalled in history, may be ascribed.

That it may please God to bless your Majesty with Christian fortitude and resignation under the afflicting dispensation, and with a long and prosperous reign over a free and a happy people, is the fervent prayer of, may it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most loyal, most faithful, and most devoted subjects, the Provost, Magistrates, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Royal Burgh of Inveraray.

Signed in our name, in our presence, and at our appointment, by *Arch. Campbell, P.*
Inveraray, 2nd February 1827.

[*Transmitted by the Duke of Argyll.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Noblemen, Freeholders, Justices of the Peace,

and Commissioners of Supply of the County of Forfar, beg to approach your Majesty with the expression of the feelings of sorrow and regret deeply impressed on our minds by the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of York.

This mournful event, the source of severe affliction to your Majesty, has deprived us and the Nation at large of a Prince esteemed and beloved by all.

His Royal Highness was eminently distinguished for his condescension, urbanity of manners, and kindness of heart, which endeared him to every class of your Majesty's subjects, while his firmness of mind, sound judgment, and the strictest justice, tempered by moderation, and the unremitting zeal with which he discharged the great and important duties entrusted to his care, have led to the victorious career of your Majesty's arms, and to the glorious eminence this country has gained among other nations.

We beg to assure your Majesty, that we lament most unfeignedly a Prince so beloved, whose memory will remain embalmed in the recollection of a grateful nation, and, in conveying to your Majesty our sincere feelings of condolence on this most melancholy occasion we pray that the Almighty Disposer of Events may support and protect your Majesty under the pressure of this calamity.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment, by the Right Honourable the Earl of Airlie, your Preses, at Forfar, this 5th day of February 1827. *Airlie, Preses.*

[*Transmitted by the Earl of Airlie.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Chief Citizens of the City of Hereford, in Common Council assembled, in unison with the feelings of every loyal subject in your Majesty's dominions, beg leave to offer to your Majesty our unfeigned condolence on the late mournful event, which has deprived your Majesty in particular, and the Nation in general, of an illustrious individual, in the highest degree entitled to the respect and veneration of his countrymen.

At a time when your Majesty must be absorbed in the deepest affliction at the loss of a beloved brother, we would not presume to intrude upon the sacred privacies of domestic sorrow, with unavailing expressions of grief, or unmeaning efforts of consolation, but the public and private worth of the deceased, his warm-hearted and active benevolence, his eminent military services, above all, his well-founded and zealous attachment to our Protestant Church and Constitution, imperiously call for the grateful acknowledgment of every man who is attached to those principles, which placed your Majesty's Ancestors on the Throne of these Realms, and the only human consolation your Majesty can at this time receive, must be, the firm assurance of that sincere esteem with which His Royal Highness was regarded while living, the heartfelt sorrow with which his death is regretted, and the affectionate remembrance with which his memory will ever be cherished.

That your Majesty may speedily recover from this great affliction, and long continue to reign in the