

hearts and affections of a loyal people, is the ardent wish of your Majesty's most dutiful and most devoted servants.

[Transmitted by Earl Somers, Lord Lieutenant of the County.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most devoted and loyal subjects, the Mayor, High Steward, Aldermen, Recorder, Commonalty, and Inhabitants of the Borough of Hertford, beg leave most humbly to approach your Majesty, with feelings of the deepest regret and condolence on the melancholy loss which your Majesty and the Nation have sustained in the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of York; long may his memory be revered and cherished with the utmost respect by all your Majesty's loyal and faithful subjects.

We seek, however, for consolation on this melancholy occasion, in the reflection that there yet remain many illustrious branches of your Majesty's family in whom we anxiously hope that the inheritance of the British Crown may be continued to the latest posterity; and we beg leave to take this opportunity of renewing our assurances of the most faithful attachment to your Majesty's Person and Family.

J. M. Carter, Mayor.

[Transmitted by the Marquess of Salisbury.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the States of the Island of Jersey.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, the States of His Majesty's Island of Jersey, beg leave humbly to present our unfeigned condolence on the severe loss which the British Empire has experienced, by the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of York and Albany.

On this melancholy event, which must have powerfully affected the best feelings of your Majesty's heart, we hasten to lay before your Majesty our correspondent sentiments of deep concern and regret. We hope, at the same time, that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to permit us thankfully to acknowledge the many essential services of your Majesty's illustrious Brother, whose undeviating line of rectitude throughout the long period of his public life, has the strongest claims on the gratitude of his native country: the high state of discipline to which the British army has been brought by his ability, zeal, and strenuous exertions, is a proper theme of proud and grateful exultation, and his warm attachment, so conspicuously evinced on a recent occasion, to the King and Constitution, as established in Church and State, is a bright example of loyalty and adherence to the principles of our ecclesiastical polity.

We, the States of your Majesty's Island of Jersey, who have received so many signal proofs of your Majesty's parental care and protecting hand, shall always be found ready to yield obedience to your Majesty's supreme authority, not less from a motive of love than from a principle of duty.

That Divine Providence may long preserve your

Majesty's life, is the fervent prayer of these your Majesty's faithful and loyal subjects.

By order of the States, *Francis Godfray.*  
Jersey, February 3, 1827.

[Transmitted by the Lieutenant-Governor.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Master, Wardens, and Court of Assistants of the Merchant Taylors' Company, take the earliest opportunity, since the lamented death of His Royal Highness the Duke of York and Albany, Commander-in-Chief of your Majesty's forces, to express our sincere and unaffected condolence at a loss so great and irreparable to your Majesty.

We have witnessed with much pride and satisfaction, during the many years in which His late Royal Highness permitted his name to be enrolled among the Members of our Company, the high fame which the British army attained at home and throughout the world, under the able administration of His Royal Highness, whose wise and provident regulations had not only attached the heart of every soldier to the service, but had organized the means of victory.

We can never forget the condescending affability, the personal kindness, and the great urbanity which always characterized the conduct of His late Royal Highness upon the many occasions when he honoured us with his presence, and we feel the most perfect confidence, that, to the latest period of time, the name of His Royal Highness will be marked in the page of history as a warm and invariable supporter of those principles in Church and State, which the illustrious House of Brunswick were called upon to maintain and defend when first seated upon the British Throne; principles which have been upheld by each succeeding Monarch, and which have been ever found entirely compatible with the fullest enjoyment of civil and religious liberty.

Signed in our name, and by our appointment, the seal of the Company being hereto affixed, at Merchant Taylors' Hall, London, the 8th day of February 1827. *John Dixon, Master.*

[Transmitted by the Master.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Burgesses, and Commonalty of the Borough of Thetford, in the Counties of Norfolk and Suffolk.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the ancient Borough of Thetford, in Common Council assembled, humbly beg leave to offer the expression of our sincere condolence on the much lamented death of your Majesty's illustrious Brother the Duke of York, whose unremitting exertions in the high station which His Royal Highness so eminently filled, for the glory and prosperity of this great country, together with his many other distinguished princely virtues, have so justly endeared his memory to all your Majesty's loyal subjects as to render the private loss with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict your Majesty, a calamity of serious importance to the Nation. And we further beg to add