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My Lords and Gentlemen,

We are commanded by
His Royal Highness The Prince
Regent to express to you the
deep sorrow which He feels in
announcing to you the
continuance of His Majesty's
lamented indisposition, and
the unhappy disappointments of
those hopes of His Majesty's
early recovery which had been
cherished by the dutiful affection
of His Family and by the

loyal

loyal attachments of His
People.

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The Prince Regent has
directed copies of the last
Reports of His Majesty The
Queen's Council to be laid
before you; and He is satisfied
that you will adopt such
measures as the present
melancholy exigency may
appear to require.

In securing a suitable
and ample provision for the
support of His Majesty's Royal
Dignity, and for the Attendance
upon His Majesty's sacred
Person, during His illness,
The Prince Regent rests assured

that

that you will also bear in
mind the indispensable
duty of continuing to preserve
for His Majesty the facility
of resuming the personal exercise
of His Royal Authority, in the
happy event of His recovery,
so earnestly desired by the
Wishes and Prayers of His
Family and His Subjects.

The Prince Regent directs
us to signify to you the
satisfaction with which His
Royal Highness has observed
that the measures which
have been pursued for the
defence and security of the

Kingdom

Kingdom of Portugal have
proved completely effectual;
~~in the~~ and that on
the several occasions in which
the British or Portuguese Troops
have been engaged with the
Enemy, the reputation already
acquired by them has been
fully maintained. — The
successful and brilliant enter=
prize which terminated in the
surprise, ~~in~~ in Spanish
Extremadura, of a French Corps
by a Detachment of the
allied Army under Lieutenant
General Hill, is highly creditable
to the reputation of the
distinguished Officer, and of
the

the Troops under his Command;
and has contributed materially
to obstruct the designs of the
Enemy in that part of the
Peninsula, in which the
important Services are being performed.

The Prince Regent is assured
that, whilst you reflect with
pride and satisfaction on the
conduct of His Majesty's Troops,
and of the Allies, in these
various and important Services,
you will render justice to the
consummate judgment and
skill displayed by General
Lord Viscount Wellington, in
the direction of the Campaign.

In Spain the spirit of
the

the People remains unsubdued,
and the System of Warfare
so peculiarly adapted to the
actual condition of the
Spanish Nation has been
recently extended and improved
under the advantages which
result from the operations of
the allied Armies on the
Frontier, and from the
Countenance and Assistance
of His Majesty's Navy on the
Coast.

Although the great exertions
of the Enemy have, in some
quarters, been attended with
success, His Royal Highness has
observed with satisfaction the
gallant and persevering

Resistance

resistance of the Spanish
Armies.. Even in the Provinces
in which the French Armies
have been most successful,
the increase of Difficulty and
Danger has only served to
rouse the energy of the People,
and to lead them to the adoption
of measures from which greater
and more concerted efforts
may be expected.

The Prince Regent, in the
name and on the behalf of
His Majesty, commands us to
express his confident hope
that you will enable him to
continue to afford the most
effectual aid and Assistance
in support of the Contest which

The

the brave Nations of the
Peninsula still maintain
with such unabated spirit
and perseverance.

His Royal Highness
commands us to express His
congratulations on the success
of the British Arms in the
Island of Java.

The Prince Regent trusts
that you will concur with
His Royal Highness in approving
the wisdom and ability with
which this enterprise, as well
as the capture of the Islands
of Bourbon and Mauritius, has
been conducted, under the
immediate direction of the

Governor

Governor General of India;
and that you will applaud
the decision, gallantry and
spirit so peculiarly manifested
in the late operations, in
Java, by the brave Army
under the command of that
distinguished Officer Lieutenant
General Sir Samuel Auchmuty,
so powerfully and ably supported
by His Majesty's Naval Forces.
- By the completion of this
system of operations great
additional security will be
given to the British Commerce
and possessions in the East
Indies, and the Colonial Power
of France will ^{have} been extinguished
in every quarter of the World.

This

His Royal Highness thinks
it expedient to recommend to
your attention the propriety of
providing such measures for
the future Government of the
British Possessions in India, as
shall appear, from experience,
and upon mature deliberation,
to be calculated to secure their
internal prosperity, and to
derive from those flourishing
Dominions the utmost degree of
advantage to the Commerce and
Revenue of the United Kingdom.

We are commanded by
The Prince Regent to acquaint
you that, whilst His Royal
Highness regrets that various important
subjects of difference with the

Government

Government of the United States
of America still remain unad-
justed, ~~and it is a matter of~~
~~the difficulties which~~
the affair of the Chesapeake
Frigate had occasioned, have
been finally removed; - and
We are directed to assure you
that, in the further progress of
the discussions still depending
with the United States, The
Prince Regent will continue to
employ all the means of
conciliation which may be
with the Honour & Dignity of His Majesty's Crown, &
consistent, with the due maintenance
of the Maritime and Commercial
Rights and Interests of
the British Empire.

Gentlemen

Gentlemen of the House
of Commons,

His Royal Highness has
directed the Estimates for the
Service of the ensuing year
to be laid before you. - He
trusts that you will furnish
Him with such Supplies as
may be necessary to enable
Him to continue the Contest
in which We are engaged,
with that Spirit and exertion
which will afford the best
prospect of its successful
termination.

His Royal Highness
commands us to recommend that
you should resume the Consideration
of the State of the Irish Finances,
which

which you had commenced in
the last Session of Parliament.
— He has the satisfaction to
inform you that the improved
receipts of the Revenue of
Ireland, in the last, as compared
with the preceding, year, confirms
the belief that the depression
which that Revenue had
experienced, is to be attributed
to accidental and temporary
causes.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The Prince Regent is satisfied
that you ~~will~~ entertain a
just sense of the arduous Duties
which His Royal Highness has
been called upon to fulfil,
in consequence of His Majesty's

continued

continued Indisposition.

Under this severe Calamity,
His Royal Highness derives the
greatest Consolation from His
reliance on your experienced
Wisdom, Loyalty, and Public
Spirit; to which, in every
difficulty, he will resort, with
a firm confidence that, through
your assistance and support,
He shall be enabled, under the
blessing of Divine Providence,
successfully to discharge the
important functions of the High
Trust which has been reposed
in him; and, in the Name,
and on the behalf of His beloved
Father and revered Sovereign,
to maintain, unimpaired,

the

the Prosperity and Honour
of the Nation. —

