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At $\frac{1}{2}$ past 11 o'clock on Friday night June 25th

His late Majesty not finding himself worse than he had been for some days, did mislead Sir Henry Hallford who had been in attendance from 7 o'clock in the morning and sent him to bed.

His Majesty then composed himself for the night. The Pages retired to the outer room and the King soon fell asleep in the same position to which he had hitherto accustomed himself, leaning on a table prepared for that express purpose and placed before him, with his Forehead on one hand and the hand of Sir Wether Waller who was sitting up with him on the other. His Majesty thus slept very quietly till $\frac{1}{4}$ before 2 o'clock on Saturday morning when he awoke and asked for his medicines.

This he took and drank after it a little Clove tea.

The King then resumed his former posture and again slept quietly till $\frac{1}{4}$ before 3 o'clock when he desired the bell to be rung for the Pages as he required the night table.

His Majesty had a purgative motion and for some moments after seemed unwilling to move but returned to his arm chair and ordered the windows to be thrown open as had been his custom for some time past during both day and night.

The King then expressed himself a little faint and desired some sal volatile & water: this he endeavored several times to drink but could not; and Sir Henry Hallford was immediately called by His

Majesty's command. His Majesty then pressed the hand of Sir Wachen Walker which still remained in his more strongly than usual and looking full at him, exclaimed distinctly "My Boy, thus is Death" and then closing his eyes reclined back in his chair.

At this instant Sir Henry Hallford entered the room.

His Majesty gave him his hand but never spoke afterwards and with a very few short breathings expired exactly as the clock struck the $\frac{1}{4}$ after 3. - June 26. - Before this however, Sir Lorne Knighton, Sir Matthew Parnley and Mr Brodie who had also been summoned but whose apartment was much more distant from the Chamber of the King than that of Sir Henry Hallford, entered the room and were also present during the last moments of His Majesty's life. The Pages in waiting that night were Rachela Skennell, but Whiting who had only retired from duty at 12 of on Friday night was in immediate attendance.

Sir Lorne Knighton had set up all Thursday night

W Walker

His Majesty had not been in a Bed for a month previous to his Death. W Walker June 27. 1830.