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Minutes of Examination of the King's Physicians before the House of Commons

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Mr. Sheridan

Friday

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Dr Reynolds.

progress 1st

The same Questions as before Council.

old much as before with ations noted in his former examination. ence between now & when last

his present disorder - to anxiety for his Daughter

Whitbread - by whom Dr. Reynolds call'd in.

Percival - objects - question withdrawn for the present.

who in attendance when Dr. R. was call'd in.

Dr R. Willis since

He was call'd in 6th november.

other Assistants - Briant & 4 Persons provided by him - no. two by Briant & two by Willis. expunged.

Thinks his past temperance
conducive to his recovery.

His memory entire his acuteness
entire his Discretion attest
& his judgement perverted.

— never saw a case parallel to the Kings
— his peculiar constitution & Habits
— Vestiges might remain as He
understood had been the case
on his former recoveries.
—

not a Party to the declaration
of the Kings recovery in all
his former cases
was a party — in 89 —
thought him quite well.
not 1801. he withdrew when
the Bulletins ceased — understands
the King had a relapse at Kew
but did not see him

Dr Gisborne Dr J. L. Pr Willis
attended him in that relapse.
— was a Party to the declaration of frequency
in 1804.

never heard of any relapse —
at that time

If flurried — any Business
proposed composed him directly
so he was told by Heberden &c.

Two Questions of Whitbreads negatived

Ponsonby — Question of the Kg age.
It must have some effect
tho' he does not present
appear to have suffer'd from age

in 1804 — His Majesty had no
Defect of sight. has now
His being blind in some cases beneficial
in others detrimental.

The Eye sight necessary
to controul.

Journey

His relapse distressed them & made them less sanguine of speedy recovery but not of ultimate recovery.

advanced age would be dis-advantageous in any other case.

No particular cause for his malady in 1788.

1801 he was informed that He lost his sleep in consequence of the secession of his Ministers He afterwards caught cold

no ascertainable cause for his malady in 1804.

The Royal Family have not seen him.

The Lord Chancellor saw him the Day before yesterday

The Chancellor had the Physicians consent.

Tho' some of them doubted whether it would do good. but the King wish'd it - and they fear'd to irritate him by refusing -

Sir H. H. was the Person who told the King the C. was at Windsor He got alone with the King - not, however, of his discretion till afterwards.

Thinks his seeing the C. gave him more self Possession.

was not consulted by Sr H. H. as to telling the King of the Chancellors being there

He advised the C. to avoid discussion.

one Reason for the C. E seeing the K. that Parl. might have other authority than the Physicians. —

in 88 beneficial consequences arose from His Majesty's seeing the Chancellor & Mr Pitt.

His bodily health — He has at times had considerable accession of Fever. —

He attaches considerable importance to all accession of Fever. —

When He uses the word Fever he means not mental disease — but actual bodily Fever tho it might also be accompanied by encrease of mental disorder

Perceval. It was not at the suggestion of the C. that He saw the King but at the Physicians.

Adam. No Person was present. He was introduced by Dr H. H.

When Dr Thurlow saw him in 88 Dr R. was himself present. & when we Pitt saw him

He is now left sanguine of his Majesty's speedy recovery

Can state no probable time for his ultimate Recovery.

The Chancellor was with the King about 18 minutes.

~~The King violent &c~~

When they say the K. is better they combine both his mental & bodily disorder —

Dr Bailey

The preliminary questions have been answered without much variation as before

He does not think that of late there has been much appearance of improvement. —

Whitbread

never visited the King as a Patient before this illness.

The Lord C. saw the K. the Day before yesterday

it was at the suggestion of the Physicians. that He might satisfy Parl.

Dr Aberdeen first suggested it
Ld H. H. told the K. the Day
before that the C. was to be at Windsor
it was thought better afterwards
that He should not have been
told so. - -

The things are certainly render his
recovery less probable
at the Large age, in a relative
Term - the Thing is as many
People at 6.

Conceives that Blindness at the
commencement might be an advantage
afterwards otherwise.

can form no satisfactory conjecture
as to the duration of his illness

He never knew but one
Person of his Majesty's age affected
with that Person disease - & He did
not recover -

His last language was
of his speedy recovery than
He was