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Dawson Street
Nov 18 1819

Sir

Altho His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent may have communicated to your Royal Highness the sincere grief which the Prince of Orange has manifested on receiving the melancholy intelligence from Claremont, your Royal Highness will I trust pardon me, if I am only repeating what your Royal Highness may have already heard.

They who had an opportunity of seeing his Royal Highness soon after he had heard of the Duke, represent him as not being able to refrain from tears in speaking of it, expressing himself in the kindest way of her, of their country and of the Royal family. The Prince of Orange on sharing his grief, directed her Ladies to put on Mourning, & appeared in Mourning herself at dinner three
H. R. of the Prince Regent

days after; & the Prince was so overcome with this Instance
of Attention that he was twice oblig'd to leave the Room

It is also much to the credit of his feelings, that a few
days before the Account had arriv'd, in speaking of the
Event, he express'd his anxiety that she should do well &
have a Son; adding that he intended to write her a kind
Letter of congratulation. Your Royal Highness will I am
sure be glad to be inform'd of this circumstance, as it is
a proof that all unpleasant feelings were at an end.

The satisfaction which your Royal Highness must have, in
reflecting on the singular Instance of Indulgence which your
Royal Highness, ^{she'd} in allowing the Princess Charlotte to have her
own choice in the person to whom she was to be married, will
not make it peculiar to your Royal Highness to have
brought before you the arrival of the Person,
whom your Royal Highness had originally selected for her
Royal Highness.

I should have propos'd paying my duty in your Royal
Highness in person, instead of troubling your Royal Highness
with a letter, if the dirt of the Roads had not made

me too
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me too unseasonably a figure to present myself to your
Royal Highness.

I have the honor of subscribe myself
with every sentiment of duty & obedience

to
Your Royal Highness & am Sir
Collyer's
Belmont

From

Lord Northwick

10 Nov. 1817