Oct 1. 1811

Sir

Altho' the King was almost altogether engaged throughout the early part of yesterday in his fancied intercourse with imaginary Persons about him, and manifested at Dinner time in the religious ceremony every palpable proof of his distemper - yet as his Majesty appeared to be contented and amused, we should have reported it a better day than some which have passed lately. About five o'clock, however his Majesty became irritable - and his attempts to throw off all his clothes were so obstinate and mischievous that the Restraint became necessary - and he was taken to bed at an earlier hour than usual to shorten the duration of his confinement.

The King slept about four hours and a quarter, but awoke so turbulent

and intractable as to render Restraint again indispensible. His Majesty appeared good humoured at our interview, but was entirely absorbed by fancied converse with Persons who have been long since dead, and whom he addressed and received answers from, as tho they were real and living.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's Faithful Servt

Henry Halford

Windsor Castle -
Oct: 1. 1811.

Bull.n: His Majesty continues in the same state.

H Halford
W Heberden
R. Willis.

Oct. 2. 1811

MED/16/3/2

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince Regent, that His Majesty passed yesterday in a quiet manner — He was almost constantly engaged with the fancies of His own mind, and was often addressing ideal Persons as if present — and even thought sometimes that He heard answers returned by those Persons — His Majesty was sometimes occupied, but only for a short time together, with His Harpsichord & Flute —

His Majesty had a momentary passion when the hour of Bed was announced to Him, but He went to Bed without any force for that purpose being necessary

He slept in the night four hours without interruption, but when He awoke He became turbulent as usual, so as to require restraint to be impos'd for several hours — At our visit this Morning His Majesty talked in the same irrational manner as usual I could not be brought to attend for more than half a minute to the election of the President of the College of Physicians which took place on Monday last, about which circumstance formerly He us'd to shew great curiosity and interest —

Windsor Castle
Octr 2 – 1811

Oct. 3. 1811 MED/16/3/3

Sir

I found nothing better on my return last night – but on the other hand, I think worse. His Majesty appears under rather more excitement this morning than he has done lately – and seems not to have the power of commanding his attention at all. We have stated to your Royal Highness frequently within the last three weeks that the King appeared to be holding converse with imaginary Persons about him – and that he spoke as if he had received answers to observations which he had made to them. His Majesty was almost wholly engaged in this manner at one mile-stone, to day; and the late King was appealed to frequently by His Majesty for his opinion upon points which came up, and for favours to be granted.

His Majesty slept three hours, but

became intractable soon after the awake, and was under Restraint from three o'clock in the morning until seven.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's faithful
Servant

Henry Halford.

Windsor Castle - Oct: 3. 1811.

Bull:

His Majesty continues in the same state —

H. Halford
M. Baillie
R. Willis

Sir

We thought His Majesty left well in His bodily health yesterday than He has appeared lately.– The King complained of head-ache with a sense of heat in His head – and was more excited than He had been in the last few days in His manner. Some lenitive was given at bed-day, and this was repeated at bed time – the effect of the first dose having been a nausea, which disinclined the King to His food –

The state of His mind was much the same – The King still continued to address His imaginary company – and talked incoherently – His Majesty slept between three and four hours – and we find Him alone interested this morning – much the same – not inclined to get up – and extremely impatient of the least interruption – but looking rather better than He did yesterday evening.

I am, Sir, most respectfully, your Royal Highness's faithful Servant

Henry Halford.

Bulletin

His Majesty continues in the same state.

Henry Halford
W. Heberden
R. Willis.

Windsor Castle

October 5th 1811

Sir

The King passed last night entirely without sleep - His Majesty continued to talk throughout the whole day, and has not ceased an instant in the night. It appears as if the King was approaching to that state which we have called Delirium. His Majesty's pulse has been accelerated - His eyes are in constant rapid motion, and tho' not so wholly engrossed as to be insensible to interruption, or incapable of attending for a short time to questions put to Him, yet when left alone His Majesty resumes His conversation with His imaginary company, and addresses a variety of people whom He conceives to be standing round Him.

I am, Sir, most respectfully Your Royal Highness's faithful Servant

Henry Halford.

Bulletin. The King has passed the night without sleep, and is not quite so well this morning.

signed by all the Physicians —

To His Grace The Arch Bp. of Canterbury.

MGD/16/3/6

My Lord,

Alth's we were pleased with the assurances which Your Grace gave us, that Dr. Huberdens letter had not left an impression on Your Mind injurious to us his Colleagues; yet we cannot help attributing this, rather to Your Grace's humanity & good nature, than to the sense, which that letter is capable of imparting. Uneasy therefore as we must be, so long as a document be found among Your records, which it is possible to construe to our discredit in the conduct of the King's Case, and doubly anxious as we must feel, to prevent a train of reflection in Her Majesty's Mind, so calculated to aggravate Her affliction; We presume to request Your Grace to read and to preserve a reply to it, and to lay before the Queen a faithful copy of the same.

Your Grace seemed to think that nothing more was implied in Dr. Huberdens letter in regard.

regard to his Colleagues, than that he had differed from them in opinion. – It appears to us my Lord, that a desire to record a difference of opinion upon measures which have been adopted, (and it is true with an unsuccessful issue, tho' it would be unjust to attribute the failure to their adoption) is not only a censure upon those who entertained different sentiments from himself, but is indirectly a claim to credit, which we cannot allow.

Dr Heberden assumes it as a principle that after such repeated attacks of disease, at the advanced period of His Majesty's life, a degree of permanent delusion and imbecillity was to be apprehended more particularly from a want of sight, and that the remedy for this was to supply the sources of real images precluded by blindness, from a more liberal measure of amusement, and of intercourse with His Royal Family.

We believe that it has not been found by experience that deranged persons are apt to

to the thing. We certainly did all think that in His Majesty's present state, reading to him would be attended with no advantage, but we consented without difficulty to a trial of this measure. – It could not be expected we should give it a warm concurrence, when we were convinced, that in the then state of His Majesty's mind, it was not like to be attended with any good effect.

About four months ago, in a better state of the King's mind, an ample trial was given to it by Dr Willis, with the hearty approbation of us all.

We could have wished to have been spared the necessity of making a reply to another part of Dr Heberdens Letter, in which he mentions that he was the only Physician called by His Majesty himself to attend him during his illness. – We believe this not to be quite correct; – but the Royal Family, if we dare take the liberty of appealing to Her Majesty for information on the occasion, is able to explain

explain what were the Kings intentions and sentiments on this Subject.

In the statement now submitted to your Grace, our only object has been to justify our own conduct, and we have not been actuated by any feelings of enmity to: :wards Dr Aberdeen.

Windsor Castle.
5. October
1841.

Signed
Copy

M: Mulford.
M. Baillie.
R: Willis.
David Dundas

to become imbecile from seclusion.
and the measure of amusement, and of in:
:tercourse with His Royal Family which
was granted to His Majesty, was in fact found
to be more than he could bear.
It became, not a measure of choice, but
of absolute necessity to withdraw the indul:
:gencies which were granted to him.
With these indulgencies indeed Dr Aberdeen
contended for the propriety of correcting ex:
:travagencies of conduct, as they might
arise, tho' he thought the delusions ought
not to be interfered with.
We have not opposed in a single instance
the correction of the extravagencies of His Majesty
conduct, but most of us have thought that
the delusions ought also to be corrected, when:
:ever the state of His Majesty Mind & temper
would allow this to be done with any prospect
of success — The latter we have considered to be
much more important than the former, as
marking more decidedly a diseased state
of Mind, and with which the extravagencies
of

of this conduct are intimately connected.
Dr Aberdeen has not attempted to correct these extravagancies, but has occasionally appeared to apologize for some of them, as according in a great measure with some of His Majesty's natural habits.
It should be remarked that Dr Willis in his experience has seen little advantage in cases of derangement from attempting to correct either delusions or extravagancies of conduct by argument, and in the present case he has more especially considered indulgence and correction as incompatible one with the other; — that in a general point of view it is wrong to place a patient in a situation where his errors will necessarily be called forth, and being so placed, it is wrong to attempt to correct him, because this cannot be done without the danger of increased irritation
Dr. Aberdeen has mentioned the cold acquiescence of his Colleagues in his plan of treating

to

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince-Regent, that since the Report of yesterday morning His Majesty continued to talk incessantly till Three in the morning — The talking was commonly not very rapid nor in an elevated tone of voice — In the afternoon the voice became less and less loud, till it was changed into a sort of whisper — His Majesty began to sleep about Three in the Morning and has continued to sleep since that time with very little interruption — His Majesty has not yet awoke — This sleep has been procured by Opium —

Windsor Castle
Octr 6 — 1811 9¼ — a. m.

Bulletin

The King continued nearly in the same state throughout yesterday – His Majesty has slept during the last six hours ——

Dr. Baillie
Oct. 6. 1811.

Oct 7. 1811 MED/16/3/8

Sir

The King has had abundance of sleep since the administration of the opiate – enough, indeed, to have raised an expectation of improvement in the condition of the mind as well as the body, if the state of the former had been capable of material improvement by this resource.

The influence of the laudanum expired however, to terminate about eleven o'clock – after which the King became turbulent, and obstinate in his attempts to get rid of all his bed clothes – After a patient and proper forbearance – it was at length absolutely necessary to resort to the Restraint – and his Majesty remained in confinement during the rest of the night – when the King spoke for his Majesty was

rather less attractive, he displayed all his discard notions - and received the Physicians this morning in a less satisfactory manner & then there usual -

I am, Sir, most respectfully Your
Royal Highness' faithful
Servant
Henry Halford

Bulletin:
His Majesty has had a good deal of sleep - but is not materially improved by it.

Windsor Castle
Oct: 7.

Oct 8. 1811 MCD/16/3/9

Sir

The state of excitement under which we left His Majesty when our visit in the morning yesterday made it proper to administer a small dose of the antimonial medicine by which it was expected — but the condition of the Majesty's mind appeared throughout the day just the same as we have had occasion to represent it constantly of late, notwithstanding the King's manner was more composed.

In the early part of the evening, however, the King became more irritable, and began to talk to imaginary Beings standing about him — under these circumstances the opiate was repeated, tho' in a rather less dose — but the King has not slept more than two minutes in the night — and appears to us this morning as eager in his manner, and as much confused and lost in his ideas

as we have seen his Majesty at any time.
Perhaps the opposite may have its influence
presently – and the day may perhaps better
It certainly has been very unsuspicious

The Queen received a letter from
her Majesty's Consort yesterday coming
expressing of their entire acquiescence
in her Majesty's wishes – and intimating
that they had sent messages to the
three Consulting Physicians in consequence
We do not know however, at present
when they are to be expected here.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's faithful Servant

Henry Halford.

Windsor Castle. Oct: 8. 1841.

Bart. The King continues much the same.

H. Halford
W. Heberden
R. Willis

Oct. 9. 1811

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince-Regent that His Majesty passed yesterday in a quiet half drowsy state. The opiate which He took the Evening before was enough to lessen irritation but not to procure sleep — When the hour of Bed was announced to His Majesty, He became violently enraged, and has not at any time made more resistance to His Clothes being taken off —

His Majesty slept last night about five hours and an half, and when He awoke, He became turbulent as usual, making strong efforts to throw off His Clothes, so that Restraint became necessary — In our visit this morning His Majesty was good humoured, shewed some recollection of former circumstances, but the mass of His con

versation was as irrational as ever —

Windsor Castle
Octr 9 — 1811

Bulletin

His Majesty continues much the same —

Dr. Baillie
Oct. 9. 1811.

Oct. 10 1811 MED/16/3/11

Sir/

The King passd a quieter day yesterday than any of the last fortnight - tho' in the course of it, and particularly at dinner time, His Majesty discovered and acted under the influence of all His disturbed notions. His Majesty went to bed at His usual hour in a still and gentle manner - but during His undressing referrd, as usual, to the strange arrangements which His fancy had formed in respect to Persons who have been long since dead - and whom His Majesty conceived to be still about His bed, and in His house - The King slept about four hours and a half - and was for two hours in the early part of the morning under Restraint - At our visit this morning - His Majesty was mild in His manner - but con:

-fus'd and desultory - and irrational in his detail of circumstances which had occurred to him - and of schemes which he was forming.

The Consulting Physicians arrived between seven and eight o'clock last night, and were present when his Majesty went to bed - They were in the King's room this morning also. at the usual visit of the ordinary Physicians - and certainly had abundant opportunity of deciding upon the state of his Majesty's mind - and I believe, that all his errors betrayed themselves during the time of their stay.

I am, Sir, most respectfully, your Royal Highness's faithful servant

Henry Halford.

Bulletin

The King continues much the same.

Signed H. Halford
R. Baillie
W. Heberden
R. Willis.

Oct: 10. 1811.

Oct. 11. 1811 MCO/16/3/12

Sir

His Majesty passed the day yesterday as comfortably as the day before - this only being occasionally interrupted in his severe thinking burst forth into strong expressions of indignation - these fits of passion, however, were of shorter duration than we have lately seen them -

His Majesty slept a little more than four hours last night - but soon after he awoke became so intractable as to require to be confined for some hours.

at our interview this morning the King was mild and good humoured - spake reasonably for a very short time respecting the Hanover - and his laying out a Garden for the Duke of Saxe Gotha - but soon declined into all his distempered notions. -

The consulting Physicians saw a good deal of His Majesty yesterday. at

His Majesty's dinner time, early again in the evening - and also when His Majesty went to bed - as well as this morning I do not know their opinions - but it is certain that Thinking has discovered His disorder during the time of their stay in His room -

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's
faithful Servant

Henry Halford

Windsor Castle. Oct. 11. 1811.

Bulletin

The King continues much the same.

Sign'd
H Halford
M Baillie
W. Heberden.
R. Willis -

Oct: 11th: 1811. Friday evening
Windsor Castle

Sir

I have been waiting in great anxiety to hear the Consulting Physicians declare their opinion of the King's case, that I might inform your Royal Highness upon a subject necessarily so interesting to your feelings. We had a most liberal and a most satisfactory consultation to day. When they all admitted His Majesty's state to be a state of Insanity, tho' peculiar in some circumstances - and they were ingenuous enough to declare in explicit terms, which they repeated, that they thought nothing better could be done for His Majesty's comfort and recovery than what the Physicians already in attendance had decided. Moreover, that little or

nothing was left them to propose either in regard to medicine or to management — Whatever they had to recommend was altogether for the body — their only speculation of doing good to the mind being through the constitution. With this view they advised that His Majesty should take the Smelling Salts in very small doses two or three times a day — so as to act a little upon the skin — and the occasional use of two grains of Calomel perhaps once in four or five days.

These remedies it was observed could be administered to His Majesty unperceived — for they held it inadmissible to attempt to give the thing any medicine which His Majesty could not

like without compulsion – excepting an opiate or a purgative, when the urgency of circumstances rendered these resources indispensable. The deficiency of bile in the evacuations still appears to manifest the want of some better action in the organ which secretes it – and the lancing provided it were not given in too large enough to shake and enervate the frame would cooperate with the mercurial in this intention.

As to the mind, and what we term management, it seemed to them quite out of the question at this time, tho' if the state of it should improve there might be some advantage from an occasional correction of the King's errors whenever the proper

opportunity should arise; but this occasioned considerable discussion. At this instant they did not entertain even the remotest idea of the prosperity of any of Dr Hebenden's schemes for substituting real ideas in place of the distempered notions. Their opinions did not bear them out in the suspicion of the possibility of producing any good effect by the means he suggested – Their remarks, therefore on management were confined strictly and literally to suggestions about covering and clothing which might protect the King's body against the greater probability of His Majesty's taking cold, whilst under the influence of these medicines.

I have it for granted that they will state all these their opinions to the Queen

Council tomorrow in terms of the same report which I have used to convey their sentiments to your Royal Highness - and then their future visits must, I should think, be determined by the case, and short. Perhaps it will be right to propose that we should all meet them next Friday - in order that they may give the Queen's Council their compensation view the next day.

Your Royal Highness's condescension and good nature will forgive me I know if I have troubled Your Royal Highness with this long letter unnecessarily or premature[illegible], and I hope, Sir, Your Royal Highness will always believe me to be most respectfully, Sir, Your Royal Highness' faithful Servant Henry Halford

Oct 11. 1811 MED/16/3/14

Sir

The King appeared in very good humour, and perfectly contented with himself throughout the day - and we observe that it is in this state that His Majesty discovers more fully his erroneous notions - The religious ceremony at his dinner time, ~~and~~ to which the consulting Physicians forcibly - and it must have made a deeper impression still on their minds that all the distempered ideas which fill'd His Majesty's ~~thoughts~~ were expressed by His Majesty in his usual natural manner.

About time His Majesty was seized by violent for a short time and was obliged to be carried into his chamber - The King slept four hours

and a quarter - but the Chest was not broken and left round the head - His Majesty's reception of the Physicians this morning was good humoured - but he seemed so overwhelmed with his erroneous ideas, that no impression was made on his mind by anything which passed from them.

I am, Sir, most respectfully Your Royal Highness's faithful Servant

Henry Halford

Oct: 11. 1811.

Windsor Castle

Qu. Oct 12. 1811 MED/16/3/15

Sir

Your Royal Highness is sufficiently apprised of His Majesty's state yesterday to render it unnecessary for me to report any thing which occurred to mark it before the King went to bed. On the hour for leaving his room being announced to His Majesty, he burst forth into expressions of violent indignation and conducted himself so improperly as to make it necessary to carry him to bed. His Majesty slept five hours in the night – but became turbulent and intractable soon after he awoke, and was put under Restraint in consequence. At the interview of the Physicians this morning his Majesty's spirits were high, and he seemed pleased with the fancies which were prevailing in his mind. The King began to detail

an anecdote or two – but did not finish them – and soon in fact became so lost in arrangements which he proposed in reference to some of the objects of his decaid preference that he forgot the Physicians were there – and they left His Majesty addressing various persons who had been dead for ages, as if they were then present and before Him.

I am sir most respectfully
your Royal Highness's faithful humble
Henry Halford

Bulletin

The King continues in the same state.

Sigd H Halford
W Knighton
R Willis

Oct. 13. 1811

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince-Regent that His Majesty passed yesterday very much as He has done His days lately — He has been quiet, sometimes engaged with His Harpsichord and Flute, but more frequently with His own distemper'd notions — He slept last night about four hours & an half, and also slept a good deal in the Evening before He went to Bed — When He awoke in the night He made the usual attempts to throw off His Clothes, so that confinement for several hours became necessary — This morning at our visit, His conversation entirely related to the world

fancies of his mind —

Windsor Castle
Octr 13 — 1811

Bulletin

His Majesty continues in the same state

The Bulletins in future will be exhibited on Sundays only —

Dr. Baillie
Octr. 13. 1811.

Oct. 14 1811

Sir

I need not repeat the account your Royal Highness received yesterday of His Majesty's condition – I found on my return that my Colleagues had considered yesterday as a quiet day – and His Majesty went to bed without resistance, or even reluctance soon after nine o'clock. The King slept uninterruptedly from a quarter before ten till one o'clock – soon after which His Majesty became more noisy and turbulent than usual, so as to render Restraint absolutely necessary until after six o'clock in the morning.

When the Physicians went to wait upon His Majesty at their usual hour they found the King so irritable and

angry as to make it impracticable to feel His Majesty's pulse, or to attempt to obtain any other information about His bodily health, at that moment, than what could be acquired by mere personal observation — We are inclined to believe that His Majesty in the ordinary course of His distemper would return to more suitable at this time; and perhaps the operation of His Majesty's medicine may give Him uneasy feelings which may aggravate that irritability.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's
faithful Servant
Henry Halford

Windsor Castle
Oct: 14th 1811.

Oct. 15 1811

MCD/16/3/18

Sir

The King was engaged in his imaginary scenery all day long yesterday, and amused himself by making provision for travelling to distant parts of the world with the objects of his distempered preference, and by arranging officers and appointments for a large company whom his Majesty conceived to be standing about him. All this passed, however, in perfect good humour — and we had not occasion to observe irritability and excitement oftener than once or twice in the course of the day. His Majesty went to bed quietly at his usual hour, and slept about four hours and a quarter, and when he awoke, he resumed the subjects which engage his attention so tenaciously in the same mild manner as yesterday, and it has not been necessary to have recourse to the Restraint. His Majesty was rather

more suitable, however, at our visit this morning, and we left the King without having had the satisfaction of observing His Majesty's attention to any one natural or reasonable object.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's
Faithful Servant

Henry Halford

Windsor Castle
Oct: 15. 1811.

Oct. 16 1811

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince-Regent that His Majesty passed yesterday Fore-noon much as usual - perhaps His Majesty was a little more irritable than He had been for a day or two lately — At Dinner this irritation increased and His Majesty did not finish his Dinner because He had been refused some food which He asked, & which it was thought adviseable not to grant — At Three in the Afternoon His Majesty fell asleep, and slept for three quarters of an hour — When He awoke, He became very intractable, so that

restraint became immediately ne-
-cessary – It was taken off however
at Six O'Clock — His Majesty slept
for more than half an hour in
his Chair before the usual hour
of going to Bed, and He went to
Bed willingly — He slept however
only three hours in the night
and when He awoke became soon
so turbulent as to require again
to be confined — His Majesty re-
ceived us this morning in good
humour, but He shewed His
mind to be in the same dis
temper'd state, as we have lately
so uniformly witnessed

Windsor Castle
Octr 16 – 1811

Oct. 17. 1811

MCO/16/3/20

Sir

I found on my return last night, from my Colleagues, that the King had been more irritable than usual for the last two days - so that His Majesty took His meals with less regularity than he has been accustomed to do each day - His Majesty went to bed, however, by his own desire at an early hour, and was undressed without resistance - but the King did not fall asleep till twelve o'clock - nor has the measure of His sleep in the course of the night exceeded three hours and a quarter - but no Restraint has been necessary, and His Majesty's reception of the Physicians this morning has been mild and in perfect good humour - but His fancy appeared with fullest force, and His Majesty's notions were as extravagant and unmeaning as ever.

The King has complained of

noises made by people of his imagination
standing about him, and has endeavoured
frequently to close his ears against such
seeming disturbance – He expressed moreover
great comfort this morning from the
application of Lavender water to his head.
the evaporation of it probably occasioning
an agreeable sense of coolness –
all this suggests to us a something
going on within the head with which
the mental disorder is associated –
but the nature of the wrong is not
so clear as to enable us to found
any practice upon it which to be
more effectual seems – His Majesty
has taken the second dose of Calomel
this morning, and has continued the
Antimonial, tho' in a more limited

dose. I am Sir, most respectfully
your Royal Highness's faithful Servt
Henry Halford.

Windsor Castle Oct: 17. 1811

As I had nothing new to communicate to your Royal Highness when I was in Town, and found myself extremely press'd by my engagements I prevented the pleasure of presenting myself to Your Royal Highness until Sunday.

Oct. 18. 1811

Sir

His Majesty was more silent yesterday than is usual - but betray'd never the less a good deal of irritability occasionally - The King slept the greater part of the afternoon but did not appear at all the better for it - as His Majesty's manner when he went to bed was as violent and boisterous as we have noticed it at any time - He slept for an hour and a quarter before midnight - but was obliged to be Re==strained when he awoke - and passed the remainder of the night without sleep, and under confinement. He did not appear this the whole of yesterday any interval in which, even for an instant, His Majesty was not occupied by strange unfounded conceits - and at our visit this morning the King's mind was still so filled with ~~the~~ dis=temper'd fantasies that we could not

find room for the introduction of any
natural images –

His Majesty uttered more than once
yesterday Evening after his sleep & the
disturbance which his imaginary com-
pany gave him, and called out at
one interval for the application of
the Lavender water to his head.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's faithful Servt

Henry Halford.

Windsor Castle
Oct: 18. 1811.

Oct. 19. 1811 MED/16/3/22

Sir

The King's manner after His Majesty's arrival yesterday morning made us apprehensive that the day would not pass without our witnessing such an increase of agitation and excitement as would require restraint. His Majesty spoke indeed, but little – but His countenance was full of anger, and at five o'clock in the afternoon it was absolutely necessary to confine His Majesty to prevent His getting out of every part of His dress.

The King went to bed, however, quietly, and slept above five hours after beginning after midnight. After He awoke His Majesty became extremely violent and unruly, and was not to be managed at all without the usual means of Controul.

At one interview

this morning His Majesty was well and good humoured - and with a proper sense of wrong - manifested a little more collectedness than He has done of late - and gave for the instant more attention to what was interposed by the Physicians to him. Tho' it could hardly be said that His Majesty's best consideration had not a close connection with all His disturbed operations.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's
faithful Serv.t
Henry Halford.

Windsor Castle - Dec: 19. 1811.

Bulletin for tomorrow. —
The King has continued nearly in the same state throughout the week.
Signed by all the Physicians —

Oct 20 1811 MEO/16/3/23

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince Regent, that His Majesty was more silent than usual throughout the whole of yesterday — about Three O'Clock He slept for twenty minutes, and afterwards in the Evening about an hour & an half — When the Hour of Bed was announced to Him, His Majesty went out without reluctance — His Conversation then was good humoured but was very trifling and irrational —

His Majesty slept only 25 minutes during the Night — He was either talking about his disturbed Fancies or abusing the Men, or endeavouring to throw off the Clothes, so that Restraint

for some time became necessary
– The interview this morning was
very short – His Majesty got into
a violent fit of anger at one of the
Physicians not assenting to something
which He had said, and immedi-
ately broke up the visit —

Windsor Castle
Oct 20 – 1811

Oct 21 1811 MCD/16/8/24

Dr Baillie has the Honour of informing the Prince Regent, that His Majesty remained throughout the Afternoon & Evening of Yesterday in the same irritable state which was described to His Royal Highness — His Majesty was very silent, but there was a look of settled Anger on his Countenance — In the Evening He frequently stamp'd both His Feet with violence upon the Floor when any Person either enter'd the Room or walk'd across the Floor of it — This He said He did by the order of God Almighty — When the hour of going to Bed was announced to Him He burst into a violent fit of Rage, was obliged to be carried there, and shewed as much resistance as we have seen in any part of His Illness — His Majesty did not sleep till Three O'Clock in the morning, but spoke a great deal in his usual irrational manner & with great earnestness — Since Three He has slept three hours & a half —— This morning His Majesty

received us partly in anger & partly in apparent good Humour — There was a great deal of wrong in his conversation, but he related an anecdote about Lord Tyrawly with some humour — Upon this however neither Dr Willis nor Dr Baillie place any value, as it does not indicate any more probable approach to a sane state of Mind ——

Windsor Castle
Octr 21 — 1811

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint Your Royal Highness that His Majesty passed the last day with some marks of irritability, but without any thing particular to distinguish it. In the evening His Majesty slept between four & five hours in his chair. His Majesty went to bed without difficulty; but has passed a disturbed night, during which he has had no sleep, and he appears to be in an irritable state this morning.

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your Royal Highness's
most obedient
& humble servant

W. Aberdeen

Windsor Castle
22 Oct. 1845

Sir,

His Majesty passed the whole of yesterday under a great degree of excitement and irritation, which however did not induce the necessity of restraint, as it shewed itself rather in loudness & vehemence of talking, than in any bodily exertions. His Majesty went to bed without difficulty. He slept four hours in the night, and appears to be this morning free from that excess of irritability which had distinguished the preceding day.

I have the honour to be
Sir, Your Royal Highness's
most obedient
& Humble Servant
W. Haberden

Windsor Castle
23 Oct. 1811

Oct 25 1811 MCO/16/3/27

Sir

I have watched His Majesty with great attention for the last twenty four hours having had the opportunity of sitting up last night, and I am convinced that not only is His Majesty's state of mind not improved, but the condition of the King's general health not so good as it was a fortnight ago. The bounds of passion were most frequent yesterday, and in the short intervals of peace and silence His Majesty betray'd in his countenance the most marked irritation by which his frame was agitated. At dinner time His Majesty ate but little - having thrown away with great violence at least half his food — Before eight o'clock it became again a question whether the Restraint should be imposed, or to

avoid this obstinate the King should go to bed - His Majesty went to bed - and slept about two hours and a half before midnight - Since that time the King has been under constant Restraint till past seven in the morning - and was more loud and violent throughout the night than I have ever observed His Majesty to be before when I have sat up -

Repeated attempts were made at an interview this morning to obtain information from His Majesty of his feelings, and His condition - but every question was answered by an imprecation - and we learnt nothing, in fact, but what was obvious from

the King's external appearance. His Majesty looked pale – but perhaps it was the paleness of anger more than of exhaustion – tho' it can hardly be doubted that such an unpleasant excitement must have worn the frame considerably.

I am, Sir, most respectfully, your Royal Highness's faithful servant

Henry Halford

Oct: 25. 1811.

Windsor Castle

Oct. 26. 1811 MED/16/3/28

Sir,

The consulting Physicians have been very fortunate in the time of their visit again - as the King has been more quiet within the last twenty hours than we have seen His Majesty for a fortnight. His Majesty was sleepy, indeed, throughout almost the whole afternoon and evening - and appeared quite subdued and worn down by the excessive irritation which had prevailed so long. The King went to bed quietly, and has slept six hours - but soon after His Majesty awoke, the Restraint was absolutely necessary for two hours and in that state, the same disregard to cleanliness was shewn by His Majesty which I have had occasion to notice so frequently lately. At our interview this morning the Physicians were

received with good humour - and his Majesty attended for an instant to what was said by them severally, but he took no interest in any thing they communicated, and appeared intent upon some arrangements he made in expectation of a calamity which was to befal the nation next Monday or mainda[illegible] - or something of that kind.

I am Sir, with the highest respect your Royal Highness faithful Servant

Henry Halford

Oct: 26. 1811.

Windsor Castle

Bulletin – proposed for tomorrow –

His Majesty's state continues much the same –

Aylesford
M. Bulkeley
W Uxbridge
R Willis

Aylesford

2n Oct 27. 1811 MED/16/3/29

Sir,

That peculiar irritability which has characterized the King's state for several days past continues - and we found his Majesty at our usual visit this morning, again not to be approached with a prospect of obtaining any information of his Majesty's symptoms but what was obvious from his outward appearance. This extraordinary proneness to excitement has been accompanied within the last twenty four hours with sickness - and his Majesty did not eat either his breakfast or his dinner yesterday with his usual appetite.

The King slept about two hours in the night, and that with an interruption; and manifested the same determined disregard to cleanliness which his Majesty has shewn almost every night lately.

I think I need not add to this unfa-

-orable report an opinion that the
Majesty's state of mind has not appeared
to improve in the smallest degree.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's
faithful Servant

Henry Halford.

P.S. I have received a note from the
Archbishop of Canterbury this morning
purporting that the order of the
19th respecting the visits of the
Consulting Phys.s being made separately,
is revoked - and that they are to visit
only conjointly.

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince Regent that His Majesty was in a very quiet state yesterday till six in the Evening — He then threw off His Wig and Neckcloth, and when these were replaced, He threaten'd, if He was not permitted to go to Bed, He would commit a great offence against cleanliness — He very soon put this Threat into execution and when He was attempted to be clean'd His Majesty made so much resistance that Restraint became absolutely necessary — He then wetted Himself a little after Eight which made a change of Linnen necessary and this opportunity was taken of his being put to Bed —

His Majesty slept three hours in the early part of the Night — About Three He became so unmanageable, and attempted so much to throw off the Clothes, that confinement again became necessary — This was continued till nearly seven O'clock — Our interview

this morning was short, but his Majesty shewed very strongly the distempered impressions of his Mind —

Windsor Castle
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Oct. 28. 1811 MCD/16/3/31

Dr Baillie has the honour of informing the Prince-Regent that His Majesty passed yesterday, except at the time of going to Bed, very quietly — He sometimes played upon His Harpsichord, He was often silent, and He sometimes spoke for a little while

His conversation related chiefly to an Inundation which was to drown this country and from which He was preparing to escape to Denmark —

His Majesty slept a good deal in the Evening and it was expected that He would have gone to Bed without reluctance — This however was not the case — His Majesty got into a violent passion when the hour of Bed was announced to Him, and He was obliged to be carried to His Bedroom & undressed by force —

His Majesty slept on the whole three hours & an half in the night — When He awoke He became turbulent & untractable so that

confinement became necessary for between two and three hours — His Majesty wetted His bed intentionally early in the morning — Our Interview this morning was short, as His Majesty shewed that He wished it to be over. His conversation related chiefly to the Inundation, and to the tumbling down of St George's Hall, which He thinks has taken place

Windsor Castle
Octr 20 — 1841

Windsor Castle Oct. 29

Sir,

I have the honor to inform your Royal Highness that the state of quiet, which had been observed in his Majesty since Friday last, has continued to at least as great a degree through yesterday. His Majesty talked less, and was more occupied with his harpsichord, than he had been for some time past. In the evening his Majesty asked to walk about his room, which he did in a very proper manner, though for a very short time. His Majesty slept in his chair about an hour and half. He went to bed quietly; but did not sleep more than two hours and a half in the night. His Majesty afterwards became restless, & was obliged to be con-fined. Nothing particular has distinguished this morning. His Majesty appeared more irritable than for some few days past, though less so than during the week preceding. The general character of his dis-order is little altered. I have the honor to be

Sir, Your Royal Highness's
Most obedient
Humble servant
W. Haberden

Sir,

His Majesty shewd a degree of irritability in the forenoon of yesterday; but this entirely subsided by the time of his Majesty's dinner, so that the remaining part of the day was passd very quietly. His Majesty said very little, and, so far as I know, nothing wrong. His Majesty passd a quieter night than usual, and slept nearly five hours at four different times. This morning his Majesty received us kindly, & heard what we had to say; but any attempt at conversation was presently lost & confounded in some of his preconceived erroneous ideas —

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your Royal Highness's
most obedient
and humble Servant
W. Heberden

Windsor Castle
30 Oct. 1811

Oct. 31. 1811 MED/16/3/34

Sir

The King was heavy and sleepy all day long yesterday - and in fact did sleep in the course of the afternoon almost four hours - His Majesty went to bed without reluctance, and lay composed and still enough for the two first hours - but at eleven o'clock became so violent and so determined to throw off all covering as to render the means of confinement absolutely indispensable - and this it was attempted four several times in the course of the night, to withdraw the Restraint, it was as often necessary to have recourse to it again. I am grieved to add that some circumstances which have distinguished His Majesty's very bad nights, were observable also in the last.

His Majesty rose this morning in good humour, and a part of his conversation was in itself not uncomfort, but the King soon discovered the unreasonable notions by which his Majesty's mind is occupied, and terminated our interview by a remark that one of the Princes had been executed yesterday, and that he had but one son left.

I am, Sir, most respectfully
Your Royal Highness's
Faithful Servant
Henry Halford

Windsor Castle
Oct: 31. 1811.