

to make the necessary arrangements for her funeral, which was to be at the expense of the French government, with the respect befitting her rank and the relationship of her late consort to the king of France, but without pomp. A court mourning of six weeks for her was ordered by the regent; but the respect and affection of the people made it general, especially when her remains were removed, on the 9th of May, attended by her sorrowful ladies and officers of state. In the archives of France the official certificate of the governor of St. Germain is still preserved, stating, "that being ordered by his royal highness the regent, duke of Orleans, to do all the honours to the corpse of the high, puissant, and excellent queen, Marie Beatrix Eleanora d'Este of Modena, queen of Great Britain, who deceased at St. Germain-en-laye 7th of May, he found, by her testament, that her body was to be deposited in the convent of the Visitation of St. Marie, at Chaillot, to be there *till the bodies of the king her husband, and the princess her daughter, should be transported*; but that her heart and part of her entrails should rest in perpetuity with the nuns of the said convent, with the heart of the king her husband and that of his mother, (queen Henrietta); and that he has, in consequence, and by the express orders of the king of France, (through M. le régent,) caused the said remains of her late Britannic majesty to be conveyed to that convent, and delivered to the superior and her *religieuses* by the abbé Ingleton, grand-almoner to the defunct queen, in the presence of her ladies of honour, lord Middleton," &c.¹ There is also an attestation of the said father Ingleton, stating, "that he assisted at the convoy of the remains of the royal widow of the very high and mighty prince James II., king of Great Britain, on the 9th of May, 1718, to the convent of Chaillot, where they were received by the devout mother, Anne Charlotte Bocharé, superior of that community, and all the *religieuses* of the said

¹ The date of this paper is the 12th of May. It certifies the fact, that the remains of this unfortunate queen were conveyed with regal honours from St. Germain to Chaillot, by order of the regent Orleans, two days after her decease, but that her obsequies did not take place till the end of the following month.