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WINDSOR-CASTLE, October 24, 1855.

THIS day the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, the Aldermen, Town-Clerk, Mr Sheriff Kennedy, the Common Council, and Officers of the City of London, waited upon Her Majesty with the following Address, which was read by Henry Alworth Merewether, the Town-Clerk; which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to receive upon the Throne:—

To The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London, in Common Council assembled, desire humbly to approach your Majesty to offer our earnest and sincere congratulations upon the successes which it has pleased Divine Providence to grant to the fleets and armies of your Majesty and of your Majesty's illustrious Allies, during the conduct of the present war.

We feel most grateful to the Almighty Disposer of Events, that, under peculiarly trying and difficult circumstances, your Majesty's fleets and armies have been endowed with such enduring patience and such heroic courage as to uphold the honour and sustain the reputation of our beloved Country, and to chastise and humble the arrogant pretensions of the Emperor of Russia, who seeks to controul the destinies of Europe, to impede the progress of civilization, and to diminish the independence of Nations.

We rejoice in the firm and steadfast alliance which your Majesty has made with your illustrious Ally the Emperor of the French, and in the valour of those brave men sent by him to the Crimea, who, side by side with your Majesty's subjects, have so nobly withstood the advance of the enemy, and, amidst unexampled difficulties and privations, have advanced from one conquest to another, until the proud fleet of the enemy has been destroyed, and his stronghold has fallen before the victorious arms of your Majesty and of your Majesty's illustrious Allies.

Engaged as your Majesty is in conducting a just and necessary war, we pledge ourselves to maintain your Majesty in its vigorous prosecution, until, by the valour of those engaged in it, it shall be brought to an end, and, by the wisdom of your Majesty's Councils, a lasting and honourable peace shall be concluded.

Deign, therefore, most gracious Sovereign, to accept our dutiful and hearty congratulations on the successes which have continued to crown your Majesty's armies and fleets, and those of your Allies. We offer up our humble prayer that your Majesty's life may long be spared to guide us in war, to govern us in peace, and to reign over a people distinguished for its love of freedom, its enterprising commerce, its ardent pursuit of science, and its possession of a pure Christianity, giving it an unexampled power, which we know your Majesty will only wield to advance whatever is good and great amongst your subjects, and to further the liberty, the happiness, and the prosperity of Nations.

Signed by order of Court,
HENRY ALWORTH MEREWETHER.

To which Address Her Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer:—

"I have received with great satisfaction your loyal and dutiful Address.

"I rejoice to know that while you share my conviction of the justice and necessity of the war in which we are engaged, you also fully participate in my admiration for the enduring patience and heroic courage of my brave soldiers and sailors, and of those of my Allies, and in my thankfulness to the Almighty Disposer of Events for the successes which have attended the distinguished gallantry and devotion of the combined forces in the Crimea.

"I sincerely thank you for your assurance of a determination, in which I am confident the great body of my people concur, to support me in the vigorous prosecution of the war, until, by the blessing of God on our own efforts, and on those of our brave Allies, it can be concluded by a lasting and honourable peace."

[They were all received very graciously, and had the honour of kissing Her Majesty's hand.]

FOREIGN-OFFICE, October 25, 1855

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr Isaac Notter as Consul at Crookhaven and Skibbereen for the King of the Belgians.

