

persons from whom they come, to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, *before twelve o'clock* on the day but one *previous* to each Levee; and that two other cards, having on them precisely what is written upon that sent to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, are to be taken to the Levee; one of the two cards to be delivered to the Page in the Corridor, and the other to the Lord Chamberlain, who will read its contents to the Queen; and on these occasions, no other statement is to be addressed to Her Majesty.

A Deputation to present an Address is not to exceed four persons.

DE LA WARR,  
Lord Chamberlain.

WHITEHALL, June 3, 1858.

The following Addresses of Congratulation to the Queen, on the occasion of the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal with His Royal Highness Prince Frederick William of Prussia, having been transmitted to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Home Department for presentation, have accordingly been presented by him to Her Majesty, who has been pleased to receive the same very graciously:—

*May it please your Majesty,*

ON this day, the anniversary of our beloved Sovereign's birth, We, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, met in General Assembly, most gladly embrace the opportunity of recording our gratitude to Almighty God, who has hitherto spread over you the buckler of His protection, so that your peace and safety have hitherto been secured not by hosts of embattled warriors, nor by the terrors of vindictive justice, but by the perfect love which casteth out fear, and the moral admiration due to a monarch whose placid dignity and calm benevolence are conspicuous not merely in the halls of her palaces, and in the presence of the great, but in all places of her dominion, so as to be irresistibly impressed on the hearts of the most obscure and lowly, as well as the highest and mightiest in the land.

While we pray for the prolongation of a life so precious in the estimation of all the inhabitants of this great Empire, we gladly embrace this opportunity of transmitting our fervent congratulations to your Majesty, and to His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, on the late auspicious occasion of the Marriage of the eldest born of the Royal Family, the Princess Royal, to a Prince whose high character and distinguished endowments have secured for him the enthusiastic admiration and affection of the inhabitants of this United Kingdom, as well as of his native land. We cordially participate in the delight which this conjugal union must have yielded to the parental hearts of your Majesty and the Prince Consort, and we cannot for a moment doubt that in this loyal feeling the hearts of our fellow-subjects universally sympathise.

We earnestly trust that the prospects of domestic felicity arising from this matrimonial union will be amply realised, and that, along with the fulfilment of a hope so pleasing, other beneficial results may be anticipated, having a direct tendency to work out and to perpetuate many great social advantages. The example of an amiable Princess, trained up in the fear of the Lord, adorned by the meekness of wisdom, and familiar with the gentle offices of humanity, and all the choice graces of the female character residing in the heart purified by faith, can scarcely fail ultimately to diffuse a

salutary influence, especially when encouraged and aided by the co-operation of a kindred spirit, equally intent on forwarding every undertaking calculated to promote the improvement and happiness of the great family of mankind, along with the more limited interests of country and home, which every patriotic heart refuses to let go. It is our earnest prayer and hope that, through the mercy of the Most High, the Prince and Princess of Prussia may live long in peace and unity, as heirs together of the grace of life, and that, in their days, the Lord God may cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the Nations, so that they may not only witness, but efficiently advance the growth of civilization and sound policy, of legislative wisdom, social order, enlightened education, and religious liberty, with all the hallowed influences which nourish the growth of genuine piety, and insure the removal of long-cherished prejudices, and the disarming of inveterate jealousies, thus persevering in the hallowed endeavour to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, with such abundant success as to heal the wounds and abolish the enmities of alienated kingdoms, until, in the fulness of the time of the triumphant reign of the Messiah, wars shall cease, and there shall be nothing to hurt or to destroy, for the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Given at Edinburgh, this 24th day of  
May 1858.

In name of the Assembly,  
M. LEISHMAN, Moderator.

To The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Free Church of Scotland in General Assembly convened, approach your Throne with the expression of our heartfelt attachment to your Majesty's person and Government, and our warm and joyful congratulations on the return of this anniversary of your Majesty's birth.

Whilst deploring the confusion, crimes, and cruelties which have taken place in India, and which have involved so many of your Majesty's subjects in sufferings and sorrow, we are grateful to your Majesty for inviting your people to humble themselves in relation to these calamities and their procuring causes, before the Most High, who has all events in His hands. We have cordially responded to your Majesty's call, and with our people have besought the Lord to turn away His judgment, and in the midst of deserved wrath, remember mercy. We rejoice in the prospect of peace and order being established in India, and we earnestly pray that God may be graciously pleased to overrule all events that take place there for the advancement of the cause of Christ, and the promotion of the substantial happiness of the millions of that great country.

We rejoice in your Majesty's family happiness, and contemplate, with admiration and thankfulness, the illustrious example which your Majesty sets in the highest place of the land of those precious domestic virtues on which the welfare of States has its only sure foundation.

We tender our heartfelt congratulations to your Majesty on the marriage of your Majesty's eldest daughter, the Princess Royal. The alliance of your Majesty's beloved child with a young Prince of illustrious descent, of high character, and the heir-presumptive to the Throne of a powerful Protest-