

Grinton, may be a polling place for the said north riding :

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the said petition into consideration, doth, pursuant to the said Act of the seventh year of the reign of His said late Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, declare, order, and direct, that the town of Reeth, in the parish of Grinton, shall be a polling place for the said north riding; and further, that the justices of the peace for the said riding, assembled in quarter sessions or some special sessions, as mentioned in the said Act of the third year of the reign of His said late Majesty, shall, conformably to the said last-mentioned Act, divide the said north riding into convenient polling districts, and assign one of such districts to each polling place.

*Wm. L. Bathurst.*

*St. James's-Palace, July 14, 1837.*

THIS day His Grace the Duke of Wellington, and a Deputation from the University of Oxford, waited on Her Majesty, to present the following Address to Her Majesty, which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to receive on the Throne:

To the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Oxford, respectfully approach your royal presence, with the expression of our sincere condolence on the heavy affliction sustained by your Majesty, in common with the whole British Empire, by the decease of our late beloved and lamented King; at the same time humbly tendering our heartfelt congratulations upon your Majesty's accession to the Throne of your ancestors.

Bereaved of the paternal government of a Sovereign whose most anxious wish was the welfare of his people, we are cheered with the consideration that we have a well-founded assurance of the future prosperity of the nation, from the many virtues which adorn your Majesty's character.

With gratitude to the illustrious Princess, your Mother, we reflect, that, under the vigilant and enlightened superintendance of her Royal Highness, your Majesty has been assiduously trained to understand, and, in reliance on God's blessing, to fulfil, the duties of your high and most important office.

In that education it was highly provided that your Majesty, from your earliest years, should learn to know the people over whom you might be called by Divine Providence to reign. We thankfully remember, that we had the happiness of receiving our future Queen in our University, and that your Majesty

was then pleased to manifest an interest in the monuments which it contains of the learning and munificence of former ages. Our earnest desire, as we feel it to be our duty, will be to maintain and extend its renown as a seat of true religion and useful learning; and we humbly assure your Majesty, that we shall earnestly endeavour to deserve the continuance of that protection and favour, which our University has enjoyed through a succession of ages, from the reigning Sovereigns of the realm, by inculcating upon the minds of those entrusted to our care, a dutiful attachment to your Majesty's person and government, and thus preparing the rising generation to serve your Majesty in the several departments of Church and State.

Our most fervent prayers will be offered up to Almighty God, that every blessing, both spiritual and temporal, may be abundantly poured forth upon your Majesty and your Royal House—that our ecclesiastical and civil institutions, in which are involved the purity of our religious worship, the rightful supremacy of law, and the liberty and happiness of the subject, may find, under your Majesty's sway, that protection, the enjoyment of which has, for so long a period, endeared the House of Brunswick to the British Nation—that your Majesty's reign may be a conspicuous example of the stability of a Throne founded on the eternal principles of rectitude, and supported by the affection of grateful subjects—that it may be long and prosperous—and that, by the blessing of the same Almighty Being, your Majesty may reap the best earthly reward of your beneficent cares, in the loyalty and devotion of a religious, united, and happy people.

Given at our House of Convocation, under our common seal, this 28th day of June, in the year of our Lord, 1837.

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

"The solemn declaration of your attachment to my person and Government demands my warmest acknowledgments.

"I thank you for the justice which you have rendered to the memory of the late King, and the well-founded gratitude which you feel and express towards my beloved Mother.

"I recall, with lively satisfaction, to my recollection the visit which I formerly made to your famous University, the attention with which I was received, and the pleasure which I derived from the contemplation of its ancient and venerable monuments.

"I entirely rely upon your zealous exertions for the promotion of religion and the extension of learning. I have no doubt that you are fully aware of the importance of the charge committed to your care, and that you will make it your study to instil religious principles and virtuous habits.

"It will be my endeavour to secure our ecclesiastical and civil institutions, by the maintenance of their fundamental principles, and the adoption of well-considered improvements; and I join fervently in your prayers to Almighty God for those blessed results which it will be the study of my life to attain."