

of their country, and thus render your Majesty's rule over us both easy and prosperous.

Given at our Chapter house, this 23d day of June, in the first year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, and in the year of our Lord 1837.

[Transmitted by the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol.]

No. 5.

The dutiful Address of the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows of the University of London.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, beg leave to express our sincere regret and our sympathy with your Majesty, on the occasion of the death of our late most gracious Sovereign; and also to offer to your Majesty our respectful congratulations on the happy accession of your Majesty to the Throne of this great empire.

We have been deprived by the late melancholy event of a Sovereign, through whose solicitude for the advancement of knowledge we have been numbered among the chartered Universities of this kingdom; but we derive consolation from the hope that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to extend to us an equal share of favour and protection; and we respectfully assure your Majesty that we will faithfully and diligently endeavour to carry into effect the great objects of our institution.

It is our earnest prayer that Divine Providence may bless your Majesty with a long and happy reign; and that it may be distinguished by the advancement of religion and morality, and by the promotion of literature, science, and art among all classes of your Majesty's subjects.

*Burlington.*

[Transmitted by Lord Burlington.]

No. 6.

[To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's loyal and devoted subjects, the Dean and Chapter of Exeter, beg permission most respectfully to offer to your Majesty our sincere condolence on the loss which yourself and the nation have sustained in the decease of our late Sovereign, King William the Fourth.

At the same time, we would express our trust that Almighty God, who has been pleased to place so early in your hands the imperial sceptre of these realms, will also give you such firmness of principle, clearness of judgment, and constancy of purpose, as may enable you to accomplish the great work to which you are appointed, to add new strength and splendour to the Throne, to maintain the national church in its integrity, and to secure to all your subjects the full enjoyment of their civil and religious liberties.

In every part of your empire myriads of loyal hearts are now offering up their prayers in behalf of your Majesty. May all their hopes be realized. May your Majesty long enjoy the favour and blessing of Almighty God. May you continue to possess

the affections of your devoted subjects, and eclipse the warlike glories of your ancestors by the happier victories of peace.

[Transmitted by the Bishop of Exeter.]

No. 7.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Scarborough, in Council assembled, most respectfully approach your Majesty with our sincere and heartfelt condolence on the loss which your Majesty, in common with your loyal subjects, has recently sustained in the lamented death of your Majesty's late Royal Uncle, our most gracious Sovereign, King William the Fourth, a King whose memory will long be revered for the many virtues which adorned his character, and the anxious desire he ever manifested to ameliorate the laws and institutions of the country, and promote the happiness and welfare of his people.

To this expression of our unfeigned sympathy we beg to add our cordial congratulations on your Majesty's accession to the Crown of these realms, and a respectful assurance of our loyal and dutiful affection for your Majesty's sacred Person. Educated, as your Majesty has been, in England, and under the watchful care of a most affectionate, judicious, and enlightened Mother, your Majesty has become firmly attached to the constitution of your native country, and we feel a well grounded confidence that it will be the great object of your Majesty's life to promote, by every means in your power, the happiness and prosperity of all classes of your subjects. Whilst, therefore, we hail with joy the auspicious commencement of your Majesty's reign, we earnestly pray that, through the blessing of an Almighty Providence, it may be long and happy, and be attended with peace abroad and tranquillity at home.

Given under our common seal, on the 10th day of July, in the 1st year of your Majesty's reign.

[Transmitted by the Mayor.]

No. 8.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Churchwardens and Inhabitants of Clerk-enwell, in open and general Vestry assembled, most respectfully offer to your gracious Majesty our deep and unfeigned sympathy for the severe loss sustained by your Majesty and the British nation on the demise of your Royal Uncle, our late beloved and benignant Sovereign, King William the Fourth, whose ardent solicitude for the prosperity of his people, and the preservation and extension of their rights and liberties, both civil and religious, will long be remembered by a grateful and affectionate people.

We at the same time hail with sentiments of deep and joyous emotion your Majesty's auspicious ascension to the Throne of these realms, and, with a firm and full reliance on your Majesty's royal and gracious declaration and assurance, of governing for the happiness of every class and of every denomination