

vessels, shall be entitled to the same bounties, drawbacks, and allowances that are granted on similar articles when exported in British vessels.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. C. Greville.

AT the Court at *Buckingham-Palace*, the 20th day of *December 1837*,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the last session of Parliament, intituled "An Act to amend an Act for the regulation of municipal corporations in England and Wales," it is, amongst other things, enacted, that if the inhabitant householders of any town or borough in England or Wales shall petition His Majesty to grant them a charter of incorporation, it shall be lawful for His Majesty by any His Charter, if he shall think fit, by the advice of His Privy Council, to grant the same, to extend to the inhabitants of any such town or borough within the district to be set forth in such charter, all the powers and provisions of the Act of the fourth and fifth of William the Fourth, cap. 76, for regulating corporations, whether such town or borough be or be not a corporate town or borough, or be or be not named in either of the schedules to the said Act; provided, nevertheless, that notice of every such petition, and of the time when it shall please His Majesty to order that the same be taken into consideration by His Privy Council, shall be published in the London Gazette, one month at least before such petition shall be so considered.

And whereas the inhabitant householders of the borough of Chatham, have presented a petition to Her Majesty in Council, praying a charter of incorporation for the said borough.

Her Majesty, having taken the said petition into consideration, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the same be taken into consideration, by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on Wednesday the thirty-first day of January next, at twelve of the clock at noon.

C. C. Greville.

*Foreign-Office, December 29, 1837.*

THE following Address, having been transmitted by Her Majesty's Minister in the United States of America to the Right Honourable Viscount Palmerston, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, was by him presented to Her Majesty, who was pleased to receive the same very graciously:

To Her Majesty VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, QUEEN of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c. &c.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, the undersigned, British born subjects residing in the city and state of New York, in the United States of America, beg to approach your Majesty, and offer our sincere and heartfelt condolence on the recent death of your Majesty's Royal Uncle and Predecessor King William the Fourth, of gracious memory.

Penetrated with grief by the loss of so good a King, profoundly impressed with his many virtues, and deeply sensible how much the people have to deplore, we could not, even at this distance, be silent spectators of such a national bereavement, we, therefore, humbly ask to participate in your Majesty's grief.

But while we mourn for a loss so much deplored by all, we cannot be insensible to the bounty of Providence in placing over us your Majesty, whose birth and education have been so truly British, whose frankness and generosity of character have so early developed themselves, and of whose disposition and ability to govern for the public good the nation already entertains a fixed presentiment; nor can we forget that your Majesty is a Member of the Illustrious House of Brunswick, that dynasty which confirmed and perpetuated civil and religious liberty throughout the British realms, and which, like the advent of Christianity in the moral world, gave liberty and happiness to millions of the human race; your Majesty, we are assured, can never forget those principles, principles which placed your exalted Family on the British Throne.

We humbly offer our sincere and fervent congratulations to your Majesty on the Accession of your Royal and virtuous Person to the Crown of England; may your reign be long and happy, may you emulate the virtues of your Royal Uncles and Grandfather, and may the prosperous and glorious epochs of Elizabeth and Anne be excelled by the lustre of the reign of Victoria.

Dated, at New York, August 1st 1837.

[Here follow the signatures.]

*Whitehall, January 5, 1838.*

THE following Addresses, having been transmitted to the Right Honourable Lord John Russell, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, by the several persons whose names are respectively subjoined to each Address, were by