

minions, to take cognizance of, and judicially proceed upon, all and all manner of captures, seizures, prizes, and reprisals of all ships, vessels, and goods that are or shall be taken, and to hear and determine the same according to the course of admiralty and the laws of nations, to adjudge and condemn all such ships, vessels, and goods as shall belong to China, or subjects of the Emperor of China, or to any others inhabiting within any of his countries, territories, or dominions; and that such powers and clauses be inserted in the said Commission as have been usual, and are according to former precedents. They are likewise to prepare and lay before Her Majesty, at this Board, a draft of such instructions as may be proper to be sent to the Courts of Admiralty in Her Majesty's foreign governments and plantations for their guidance herein; and the said Commissioners are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. C. Greville.

*Buckingham-Palace, June 22, 1840.*

THIS day the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, the Aldermen, Sheriffs, and Officers of the city of London, waited upon Her Majesty with the following Address, which was read by John Mirehouse, Esq. the Common Serjeant, and which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to receive on the Throne:

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble, loyal, and dutiful Address of the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the city of London.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the city of London, humbly approach your Majesty, with the most profound sentiments of duty and respect, to express our horror and indignation at the atrocious attack lately made on your Majesty's sacred person.

While we deeply lament and deplore, that any person should be found within your Majesty's dominions capable of an act so base and foreign to the British character, we humbly offer our sincere and heartfelt congratulations on your Majesty's providential escape from an attempt which might have produced the most awful consequences.

With the assurance of our steady loyalty and attachment to your Majesty's royal person, and our determination to support, on all occasions, the crown and dignity of these realms, we beg to add our earnest hope, that, by the permission of Divine Providence, your Majesty may long continue to reign over an affectionate and a loyal people.

Signed by order of Court,  
Henry Woodthorpe.

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

"I receive with sincere satisfaction this Address of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the city of London.

"I shall always confidently rely upon the attachment of my faithful people as, under Divine Providence, my sure support and best protection against all treasonable designs; and I thank you for your loyal wishes thus warmly expressed for the long continuance of my reign."

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

*Buckingham-Palace, June 22, 1840.*

THIS day the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, the Aldermen, Sheriffs, Common Council, and Officers of the city of London, waited upon Her Majesty with the following Address, which was read by John Mirehouse, Esq. the Common Serjeant, and which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to receive on the Throne:

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble, loyal, and affectionate Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the city of London, in Common Council assembled.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's loyal, dutiful, and affectionate subjects, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the city of London, in Common Council assembled, humbly desire to express to your Majesty our heartfelt joy on your Majesty's providential deliverance from the fatal consequences which might have resulted to your Majesty, and to the nation at large, from the late wicked and atrocious attack on your Majesty's sacred person.

While we sincerely rejoice that the murderous intention of the traitor was providentially frustrated, we cannot forbear to express our unfeigned sorrow, that any subject of this realm should have been guilty of so base and wicked an act.

We avail ourselves of this, the earliest opportunity, of renewing to your gracious Majesty the assurances of our devoted attachment to your Majesty's person and government, and our sincere desire that your Majesty may long continue to live in the hearts and affections of a free and loyal people.

Signed by order of Court,  
Henry Woodthorpe.

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

"Accept my cordial thanks for these loyal and affectionate congratulations on the protection lately vouchsafed to me by the superintending care of Divine Providence.

"I receive with much pleasure the assurance, that you gladly avail yourselves of this opportunity