

These sentiments of loyalty to the Throne and attachment to the Constitution are entirely consistent with a disposition to welcome every improvement in our social system. But deeply penetrated with the conviction that human strength and wisdom avail nothing without the Divine blessing, we are especially anxious to co-operate, in our place and according to our measure, with your Majesty and the Legislature in the advancement of all classes and conditions of your Majesty's subjects, not in mere knowledge, but in the love of Divine truth, not in mere worldly wealth and prosperity, but in brotherly charity one towards another, in enlightened attachment to the laws of our common country, and in Christian obedience to the laws of God.

Given at our House of Convocation, under our common seal, this 14th day of June, in the year of our Lord, 1848.

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

" I thank you very cordially for your loyal and dutiful Address, and for the feelings you have expressed, both of sympathy in the sorrow for the loss of my beloved Aunt, and of affectionate interest in the future happiness of the infant Princess.

" I have received with great satisfaction the renewed assurance of your attachment to our institutions in Church and State.

" I rejoice to know that they are cherished and upheld by the loyal and enlightened patriotism of my faithful subjects.

" I trust that your University, which holds so distinguished a place among those institutions, will, by God's blessing, long continue to promote the best interests of my people, by the dissemination of sound learning, religious truth, and Christian charity."

*Buckingham-Palace, June 17, 1848.*

This day His Royal Highness Prince Albert, Chancellor of the University of Cambridge; the Reverend Doctor Phelps, Vice Chancellor; the Honourable and Very Reverend the Dean of Windsor, Master of Magdalene College; the Reverend Doctor Webb, Master of Clare-hall; the Reverend Doctor French, Master of Jesus College; the Very Reverend the Dean of Bristol, Master of Corpus Christi College; the Reverend Doctor Tatham, Master of Saint John's College; the Reverend Doctor Philpott, Master of Saint Catharine's-hall; the Reverend Mr. Worsley, Master of Downing College; Doctor Broadley, Representative of the Faculty of Law; Doctor Drosier, Representative of the Faculty of Medicine; the Reverend Mr. Baily, Senior Proctor; the Reverend Mr. Williams, Junior Proctor; Mr. Leapingwell, Esquire Bedell; Mr. Hopkins, Junior Esquire Bedell; the Reverend Mr. Romilly, Registrar; waited upon Her

Majesty to present to Her Majesty the following Address, which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to receive on the Throne:

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge, beg leave to approach the Throne with the expression of our stedfast and affectionate attachment to your Majesty's Person and Government.

We cannot, however, at this time approach your Majesty without offering, in the first place, our sincere condolence on the melancholy occurrence which has just deprived your Majesty of an august Relation, and the country of an amiable and illustrious Princess, whose many excellent qualities and virtues rendered her an ornament to her exalted rank.

While we cannot but regard with feelings of the deepest anxiety those events which are agitating so many of the governments of Europe, we gratefully acknowledge the general excellence of our own national institutions, both civil and religious, to which, and to the admirable rule of a Sovereign, whose life is a bright example to her people, we ascribe, under God's providence, the inestimable blessing of our present tranquillity.

We congratulate your Majesty, and the inhabitants of the British islands generally, on the demonstration of loyalty, courage, and fidelity which was recently exhibited in the metropolis of this country; and we do so the more unhesitatingly, from the conviction that the good spirit manifested on that occasion met with the most cordial sympathy and admiration in all parts of your Majesty's dominions.

We earnestly entreat your Majesty to believe that, whatever exigencies may arise, we shall not be wanting in the duties that belong to our several stations. And we trust that, by God's blessing, our endeavours to fulfil the sacred charge committed to us may continue to result in the formation of pious, learned, and loyal subjects.

We heartily join in the prayer to Almighty God, that He will preserve this land, alike from foreign enemies and domestic divisions, and that He will bless, with continual happiness and prosperity, your Majesty and every Member of the Royal Family of these realms.

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

" Your renewed assurance, upon the present occasion of stedfast and affectionate attachment to my Person and Government affords me peculiar satisfaction.