

ADDRESSES.

The same regulations apply to the presentation of Addresses or Petitions.

A card containing a statement of the object of the addresses or Petitions, with the names of the persons who are to present them, must be sent to the Lord Chamberlain's Office two clear days before the Levee. Two other cards, containing similar information, are to be taken to the Levee, one to be delivered to The Queen's Page in Attendance in the Corridor, and the other to the Lord Chamberlain, who shall read its contents to The Queen.

On these occasions no other statement is to be addressed to Her Majesty.

A Deputation to present an Address is not to exceed four persons.

The members of a Deputation, who have not previously attended Court, must be presented to The Queen.

SYDNEY,
Lord Chamberlain.

Whitehall, May 31, 1860.

THE following Addresses of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, having been transmitted by Robert Montgomery, Lord Belhaven, Her Majesty's Commissioner, to the Right Honourable Sir George Cornwall Lewis, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, have been by him presented to The Queen; which Addresses Her Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, now met in General Assembly, have received with all loyal respect your Majesty's most gracious letter.

Assembled, in accordance with ancient usage, to take counsel regarding the affairs of our Church, we rejoice to know that our meeting has the sincere and cordial approbation of your Majesty, and we receive with peculiar pleasure the renewed assurance of the affectionate regard which your Majesty bears towards the Established Church of Scotland.

In entering upon the important duties entrusted to us, we are encouraged by the experience of your Majesty's unreserved confidence, and we humbly trust that, by the grace of God strengthening us, the zeal, prudence, and loyalty which have marked former Assemblies, may be so evinced in our present meeting, as to commend its proceedings also to your Royal approval.

It is our earnest desire and prayer that our deliberations may be guided by the spirit of wisdom and charity, so that they may tend, by the blessing of God, to the advancement of His glory and to the promotion of the best interests of the people committed to our charge.

We recognise a pledge of your Majesty's affectionate regard to the Church of Scotland, in the appointment of Lord Belhaven as your Majesty's High Commissioner, whose ability, courtesy, and tried attachment to our National Church have, in former years, received frequent acknowledgement at our hands.

We accept with heartfelt gratitude the gift of Two thousand pounds which your Majesty has been again pleased to place at our disposal for the reformation of the Highlands and Islands; and we

shall give our best endeavours to apply it faithfully in accordance with your Majesty's desire.

That the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, in whose favour is life, may plentifully enrich your Majesty with the bounties of His providence, and with the especial gifts of His grace, that he may enable your Majesty to reign long and prosperously over a free, loyal, and devoted people, and that He may hereafter bestow upon your Majesty a crown of unfading glory in the Heavens, is the sincere prayer of,

May it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most faithful, most loyal, and most obedient subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, met in this General Assembly.

Signed in our name, in our presence, and at our appointment, by

James Maitland, Moderator.

At Edinburgh, 22nd May, 1860.

May it please your Majesty,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland, met in General Assembly, beg leave to approach your Majesty on this the anniversary of the day of your Majesty's birth, with the expression of our fervent congratulations.

We gratefully acknowledge the deep cause we have for thanksgiving to Almighty God, that we enjoy the inestimable privilege of living under the sway of a Sovereign who upholds with honour the high position to which, in His providence, your Majesty has been called; and affords a bright example of domestic virtue, and of unwearied performance of public duty.

With cordial satisfaction we beg leave to assure your Majesty of the loyalty and attachment to your Majesty's person and government, of the people of that portion of your dominions with which we are connected.

That Almighty God may long preserve your Majesty's life as a blessing to the British nation, that He may pour down the choicest of His gifts on your Majesty and on your Royal Consort, and that hereafter He may grant you the inheritance of His saints in the Kingdom of Glory, is the prayer of,

May it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Ministers and Elders of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Given at Edinburgh, on the twenty-fourth day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty, in name of the Assembly,

James Maitland, Moderator.

Whitehall, June 1, 1860.

The Queen has been pleased to order a congé d'elire to pass the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, empowering the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral and Metropolitan church of York to elect an Archbishop of that See, the same being void by the death of Doctor Thomas Musgrave, late Archbishop thereof; and Her Majesty has also been pleased to recommend to the said Dean and Chapter, the Right Reverend Father in God Doctor Charles Thomas Longley, now Bishop of Durham, to be by them elected Archbishop of the said See of York.