Majesty's attention and attachment to our National Church.

The Royal donation of two thousand pounds for the propagation of Christian knowledge in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, we receive with unfeigned thankfulness, and we trust that no effort will be wanting on our part, by a faithful application of it, to accomplish the pious and benevolent purpose for which it has been bestowed.

That Almighty God, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, may protect your Majesty's Person, prolong your days, give success to your Government, and security to your throne, that He may bless His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, the Prince of Wales, and all the Royal Family, and that, after a lengthened reign over a free, a loyal, and a contented people, you may receive the recompense of a Heavenly Crown, are the sincere prayers of,

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

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

Colin Smith, Moderator.

Edinburgh, 25th May, 1861.

Whitehall, June 10, 1861.

The Queen has been pleased to present the Reverend John Charles Carwithen, B.A., to the Vicarage of Stokenham with Shirford and Chulston, in the county of Devon and diocese of Exeter, void by the death of the Reverend Henry Taylor.

The Queen has also been pleased to present the Reverend William Theophilus Grear to the Vicarage of Hemingbrough, in the county and diocese of York, void by the death of the Reverend John Ion.

The Queen has also been pleased to present the Reverend Alexander Rouald Grant, M.A., to the Rectory of Hitcham, in the county of Suffolk and diocese of Ely, void by the death of the Reverend John Stevens Henslow.

Foreign Office, June 1, 1861.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Robert Stuart, Esq., now British Vice-Consul at Volo, to be Her Majesty's Consul in Albania.

Westminster, June 7, 1861.

THIS day, the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that The Lords, authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Com-

mission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act to apply the sum of ten millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and sixtyone.

An Act to amend an Act of the twentieth and twenty-first years of the reign of Her Majesty, for the abatement of the nuisance arising from the smoke of furnaces in Scotland.

An Act to make provision for the dissolution of combinations of parishes in Scotland as to the management of the poor.

An Act for lighting with gas the town and neighbourhood of Haslingden, in Lancashire.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the session of Parliament holden in the eleventh and twelfth years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled, "An Act for Incorporating the North of Scotland Fire and Life Assurance Company, under the name of the Northern Assurance Company; for enabling the said Company to sue and be sued, and to take, hold, and transfer property; for confirming the rules and regulations of the said Company, and for other purposes relating thereto;" and to vary, extend, and enlarge certain of the powers of the said Company, and for other purposes relating to the said Company.

An Act for better lighting with gas the borough of Swansea, and the neighbourhood thereof.

An Act for better supplying with water the borough of Neath and the adjacent district in the county of Glamorgan.

An Act for authorizing the Dartmouth and Torbay Railway Company to raise further moneys,

and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Northampton Waterworks Company, to enable them to better supply the town of Northampton and the several townships and places adjacent thereto with water, and for other purposes.

An Act for the better drainage and improvement of certain low lands and grounds, formerly common, within the manors of Baschurch, Hordley, Stanwardine-in-the-Wood, Weston, Lullingfield, and Stanwardine-in-the-Fields, and of certain other lands adjoining or near thereto, all situate in the county of Salop.

An Act to authorize the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of Kilkenny to make a general market in the city of Kilkenny, and for other purposes.

An Act to enable the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway Company to construct branch railways to Dewsbury, Heckmondwicke and Meltham; to purchase additional lands at Rochdale and Miles Platting, and for other purposes.

An act for making a railway from the Taff Vale Railway, in the parish of Llantwit-Vardre, in the county of Glamorgan, to Llantrissant, in the same county, with branches therefrom, to be called "The Llantrissant and Taff Vale Junction Railway;" and for other purposes.

An Act to enable the Ryde Commissioners to better supply with water the town of Ryde, and the places adjacent thereto, in the Isle of Wight; and for other purposes.

An Act for enabling the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Liverpool to make new and widen existing Streets within the borough, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend and extend the Acts relating to the Newcastle-under-Lyme Marsh Lands; to