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Windsor Castle, July 2, 1880.

THIS day the Archbishop of Canterbury, accompanied by the Bishops of London, Winchester, Llandaff, St. Albans, Chichester, and Rochester, and the Prolocutor and certain of the Clergy of the Province, waited upon Her Majesty to present the following address:—

To the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

Madam,

WE, your Majesty's faithful subjects, the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy of the Province of Canterbury, in Convocation assembled, approach your Majesty with the assurance of our loyal and affectionate attachment to your Majesty's Throne and person.

We rejoice that it has pleased Almighty God to keep your Majesty in health and strength since we last had the honour of addressing the Throne, and we pray that your Majesty may be long preserved to reign over a loyal and united people.

The last Convocation of the Province of Canterbury endeavoured to discharge the duty which your Majesty graciously committed to it in the Royal letters of business, issued on the 6th day of July, 1874.

The result of their deliberations was duly submitted to your Majesty.

We desire to take this opportunity of thanking your Majesty for having given the Royal assent in Parliament to bills designed, under the guidance of Divine Providence, greatly to extend the usefulness of the Church of England, by increasing the number of its home dioceses, and thus providing for the more efficient discharge of the duties of the episcopal office so as to promote the highest good of your Majesty's subjects.

We rejoice that three of the six new sees, for the foundation of which arrangements have been made in Parliament, with your Majesty's consent, are already endowed by private munificence, and that the Bishops of these sees have been appointed.

It is a great satisfaction to us to know that in one of these dioceses, that of Truro, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, was pleased to be present, as Duke of Cornwall, and personally to take a part in the foundation of a new cathedral.

We believe that the Church of England retains its hold over the affections of your Majesty's subjects, and that while its usefulness at home is daily increasing, it is spreading through all the dependencies of your Majesty's Empire, and has of late years conciliated to itself in a remarkable

degree the regard of other branches of Christ's Church throughout the world.

It has been represented to us that this Convocation might better discharge its duties if some addition were made to the number of Proctors in the Lower House, and we desire to bring this subject under the consideration of your Majesty.

We would conclude with the prayer that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your Majesty and upon every Member of the Royal Family.

A. C. Cantuar, President.

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

"I receive with sincere satisfaction the assurance of your loyal and affectionate attachment to my Throne and Person, and I thank you most heartily for your expression of good will towards the members of my family.

"I have learned with satisfaction that the recent measures for extending the usefulness of the Church of England have met with success.

"You may be assured that it will ever be my anxious desire to promote all measures which may tend to maintain and extend the spirit of true religion among all classes of my people.

"Your representation that the Province of Canterbury might better discharge its duty if some addition were made to the number of Proctors in the Lower House shall receive my full consideration; and I earnestly pray that the blessing of Almighty God may ever rest upon your labours."

The Archbishop of Canterbury and the Prolocutor were severally presented to Her Majesty by Sir William Vernon Harcourt, and had the honour of kissing Her Majesty's hand.

Windsor Castle, June 28, 1880.

THIS day had audience of Her Majesty:—

His Excellency Monsieur Léon Say, Ambassador from the French Republic, to deliver his Letter of Recall;

Lieutenant-General de Bulow, late Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from His Majesty the King of Denmark, to take leave of Her Majesty;

Monsieur Alexandre Contostavlos, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from His Majesty the King of the Hellenes; and

Monsieur Christian Frederik de Falbe, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from