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Windsor Castle, March 19, 1886.

THIS day the Archbishop of Canterbury, accompanied by the Bishops and Clergy of the Province, waited upon Her Majesty to present the following Address, which was received by Her Majesty on the Throne:—

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty,
&c., &c., &c.

Madam,

1. 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 dutiful 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 Our Heavenly Father may long continue Your Majesty's happy reign over a loyal and united people.

2. We desire to offer our humble and heartfelt congratulations on the marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice, which has been solemnized since we last approached Your Majesty, and we pray that God's blessing may ever rest on Her Royal Highness and the Prince her husband, and that their happiness may be a source of lasting happiness to Your Majesty.

3. We rejoice that of the six new Sees, the foundation of which has been authorized by Your Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and the Commons in Parliament assembled, two more (the Sees of Newcastle and Southwell) have been endowed by the munificence of Your Majesty's subjects since the first meeting of the last Convocation, so that only one is now wanting to complete the number; and that a further extension of the Home Episcopate has been sanctioned by a recent Act of the Legislature, providing for the separation of the ancient Sees of Gloucester and Bristol; and we desire to thank Your Majesty for having graciously concurred in the arrangements which have thus provided for the more efficient discharge of the duties of the Episcopal office.

Your Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept copies of the completed revision of the authorized version of the Old and New Testaments, a work which we trust will be of great service to all English speaking people in the understanding of many passages of God's Holy Word.

It is our humble prayer and confident hope that although the vast increase of the population throws enormous difficulties in the way of the beneficent labours of the Church, yet the self-denying zeal of Churchmen and others, seconded by the exertions of the Clergy, may, under the blessing of Almighty God, be successful in securing the continued attachment of the people to the Church of their fathers.

We pray that the blessing of Our Heavenly Father may rest upon Your Majesty, and upon every member of Your Royal house.

Edw. Cantuar, President.

Dated 19th March, 1886.

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

"I accept with cordial satisfaction your renewed assurances of loyal and affectionate attachment to My throne and person, and I thank you very heartily for the expressions of your interest in all that concerns My domestic happiness and the health and prosperity of the members of My family.

"It is most gratifying to Me to receive your congratulations on the marriage of My dear Daughter the Princess Beatrice with His Royal Highness Prince Henry of Battenberg.

"I gladly accepted from you the copies of the revised translation of the Old and New Testaments, in which important work I had taken much interest.

"It will ever be My anxious wish that measures may be adopted having for their object the spread of true religion among all classes of my people, and tending to render the Church an increasingly efficient instrument for promoting the spiritual welfare of the growing population of England."

Whitehall, March 22, 1886.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Henry Pottinger Keatinge, Esq., Surgeon-Major in the Egyptian Army, Her Majesty's Royal licence and permission that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Order of the Osmanieh, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan, has been pleased to confer upon him, in recognition of his services whilst actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's dominions in the Egyptian Army.