

sellor, Vice-Chancellor, Professors, Graduates, and other Members of the University of Edinburgh, in Council assembled, desire to express our devotion to Your Majesty on the completion of the Fiftieth Year of a Reign illustrious in the annals of our country.

The advance in science, and in its applications to the benefit of mankind, the spread of popular education and intelligence, the increase of philanthropic activity, together with the extension and consolidation of the Empire, which have so signally characterized Your Majesty's Reign, are among the many blessings which, under God, are largely due to Your wise and beneficent rule, for all which we would now express our gratitude.

This University, founded by a Royal Charter granted in 1582 by Your Majesty's illustrious ancestor, King James the Sixth, as a national institution for the advancement of knowledge and for promoting higher education, has largely shared in the blessings of Your Reign, and has through the wise action of the Legislature, attained recently to a prosperity unapproached in any former period of its history.

We gratefully appreciate the special recognition of our University by Your Majesty on auspicious occasions, and in particular we remember the residence of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, as alumni of this University, and also Your Majesty's gracious Message to the University on the celebration of its Tercentenary Festival in 1884.

In the domestic joys and sorrows through which Your Majesty has passed in the course of Your prosperous and glorious Reign the University of Edinburgh has felt profound sympathy.

It is our earnest prayer that a long continuance of Your Reign may be marked by ever increasing personal and domestic blessings to Your Majesty in Your rule over a loyal, well ordered, and United Empire.

Signed in name and by authority of the General Council of the University of Edinburgh, on this 13th day of May, 1887.

*J. Inglis*, Chancellor.

*W. Muir*, Principal and Vice-Chancellor.

To which Address Her Majesty was pleased to return the following Most Gracious Answer:—

"It is with great pleasure that I receive your loyal and affectionate Address, on the attainment of the Fiftieth Year of My Reign. Your congratulations are very welcome to Me.

"I gladly join with you in marking the great progress made since the beginning of My Reign, not only in the domain of pure science, but also in its practical applications to the daily wants and occupations of men; and in the general culture of all classes of the community.

"These results are due to the zeal and energy shown by the great Educational Institutions of this country; among which the University of Edinburgh has always held a high rank, and has amply justified the recognition which it has received from My predecessors and from Myself."

*Windsor Castle, May 16, 1887.*

THIS day the Right Honourable the Earl Granville, K.G., and a Deputation from the University of London, waited upon Her Majesty to present the following Address, which was handed to Her Majesty.

The Right Honourable Henry Matthews, Sec-

retary of State for the Home Department, was in attendance.

To the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Fellows, and Graduates of the University of London, humbly beg leave to offer to Your Majesty our hearty congratulations upon the auspicious occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Your Majesty's accession to the Throne.

The history of these years—years, under Your Majesty's wise and beneficent rule, of uninterrupted progress in the moral and material welfare of Your Majesty's people, will ever be held in grateful remembrance; and while in common with all Your Majesty's faithful subjects, we are deeply sensible of the abundant blessings which have attended Your Majesty's Reign, we are more especially mindful of the gracious favour and protection which Your Majesty has been pleased to extend to this University.

Deriving their foundation as a body corporate from a Royal Charter, granted by Your Majesty in the first year of Your Majesty's Reign, with powers from time to time enlarged by Your Majesty, so as to embrace all classes and both sexes within Your Majesty's dominions, the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Fellows, and Graduates of the University of London, have had peculiar opportunities of observing the inestimable benefit which, during this period of fifty years, have been conferred upon Your Majesty's subjects by the great advance which has been made under Your Majesty's enlightened government in every department of learning; and it is to them a cause of profound satisfaction that in this, the Jubilee Year of their existence, Your Majesty has deigned to admit them to the high privilege of addressing Your Majesty upon the Throne, and of offering at its foot to Your Majesty this the respectful expression of their devoted loyalty and of their attachment to Your Royal Person.

That, reigning in the hearts and encompassed by the love of Your faithful people, Your Majesty may long be spared to rule over them, is the fervent prayer of, Madam, Your Majesty's most dutiful subjects, the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Fellows, and Graduates of the London University.

Signed on behalf of the Fellows,

*Granville*, Chancellor.

*James Paget*, Vice-Chancellor.

Signed on behalf of the Graduates,

*F. J. Wood*, Chairman of Convocation.

To which Address Her Majesty was pleased to return the following Most Gracious Answer:—

"IT gives Me great pleasure to receive in person your hearty congratulations on the attainment of the Fiftieth Year of My Reign.

"I reflect with satisfaction on the vast increase and improvement in the means and methods of education since the beginning of My Reign; and I gladly recognize in the University of London a body which has already done much to raise the standard of knowledge and of culture for both sexes as well as for all classes of My subjects; and which is eminently qualified to promote the advance of learning throughout My realm."

*Whitehall, May 20, 1887.*

THE following Address was presented to Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise, Marchioness of Lorne, who, as representing Her