

" This declaration of duty and loyalty gives me entire satisfaction.

" The city of London may always depend on my constant favour and protection."

They were all very graciously received, and had the honour of kissing Her Majesty's hand.

Buckingham-Palace, March 12, 1842.

This day the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, the Aldermen, Recorder, Sheriffs, Common Council, and Officers of the city of London waited upon Her Majesty with the following Address; which was read by the Honourable Charles Ewan Law, the Recorder, and which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to receive on the Throne:

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.
The humble and dutiful Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the city of London, in Common Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the city of London, in Common Council assembled, embrace the earliest opportunity of offering our heartfelt congratulations to your Majesty on the auspicious birth of a Prince Heir Apparent to the Throne of these realms.

This important event has impressed us with the most grateful sentiments of the Divine Goodness; whilst it affords to your people an additional prospect of permanence and stability to the institutions of the country, and to the continuance of those blessings we so eminently enjoy under your Majesty's mild and beneficent reign and government.

We renew to your Majesty the expression of our devoted loyalty, and fervently pray that this happy event may increase the domestic felicity of your Majesty and of your Royal Consort, and that your Majesty may long live in the continued enjoyment of maternal happiness.

May your Majesty's reign be long and prosperous, and when, in the fulness of time by the dispensation of Divine Providence, your illustrious Son shall ascend the Throne of these realms, may he imitate the example of your Majesty in the good government of a free and loyal people, and prove himself the guardian of those liberties which, by your Majesty's precepts, he will have been taught to cherish and protect.

Signed by order of Court,

Edward Tyrrell.

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

" I receive with great satisfaction these affectionate expressions of your duty and attachment to me and to my Family.

" Every event, which gives permanence and stability to the institutions of my kingdom, fulfils

my wishes, for my own happiness is inseparably connected with the welfare of my people."

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This day the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, the Aldermen, Recorder, Sheriffs, and Officers of the city of London waited upon His Royal Highness the Prince Albert with the following Address; which was read by the Honourable Charles Ewan Law, the Recorder, and which His Royal Highness was pleased to receive very graciously:

To His Royal Highness the PRINCE ALBERT.

May it please your Royal Highness,

WE, the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the city of London, beg leave to approach your Royal Highness with our most sincere congratulations on the safe and happy delivery of Her Majesty, and the birth of a Prince Heir Apparent to the Throne of these realms.

Affectionately devoted to Her Majesty, and deeply interested in all that concerns Her Majesty's happiness, we entertain the most unfeigned regard towards the person of your Royal Highness, the Consort of our beloved Queen; and we have ever regarded the happy union of Her Majesty with your Royal Highness, as affording to the people of these realms an example of every domestic virtue.

We fervently pray, that our Most Gracious Sovereign and your Royal Highness may long be spared to each other and to the nation; and that you may be enabled, by an allwise and bountiful Providence, to witness in the virtues of the infant Prince, in their growth and their maturity, the good effects of a virtuous and religious education.

Signed by order of Court,

Edward Tyrrell.

To which Address His Royal Highness was pleased to return the following answer:

" I am most sensible of the kind expressions in which you have couched your congratulations upon the birth of the Prince of Wales.

" The affectionate interest evinced towards the Queen is most grateful to my feelings.

" I pray that Almighty God may answer your prayer, that our Child may grow up in every virtue, and that we may live to see our anxious care amply repaid."

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