

It will continue to be our earnest prayer that the blessing of God may rest upon all your Majesty's undertakings, and that it may be the will of a Merciful Providence to preserve for many years a life not only most precious in our eyes, but of unspeakable value to the countless inhabitants of your Majesty's mighty empire.

Given at our House of Convocation, under our Common Seal, this 15th day of April, in the year of our Lord God, 1861.

Whitehall, April 23, 1861.

THE following Address of Condolence to the Queen, on the occasion of the death of Her late Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent, having been transmitted to the Right Honourable Sir George Cornwall Lewis, Bart., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for presentation, has been presented accordingly to Her Majesty, who was pleased to receive it very graciously.

To the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Cambridge, humbly beg leave to approach the Throne with the expression of our sincere condolence upon the melancholy occasion of the death of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent.

It would scarcely become us, in addressing your Majesty, to dwell upon the virtues of that August Lady; but we may be permitted to express how deeply, in common with all England, we revere the memory of her who taught your Majesty to know, and to love your faithful people.

If under so heavy an affliction, human sympathy can convey any consolation, we can sincerely assure your Majesty, that in no body of your Majesty's subjects is there a sympathy more deep and genuine than in the University of Cambridge.

It is consoling to reflect that the Royal Lady whose loss we deplore, did not fail of her just reward. For more than twenty years she beheld her highest hopes fulfilled: she saw your Majesty blest as a wife and mother beyond the common lot of humanity: as a Queen beyond the common lot of Royalty, and she has left your Majesty secure in the affections of an united and a loyal people.

We heartily pray that the Divine blessing may continue to rest upon your Majesty, and that the pain of your Majesty's late bereavement may be soothed by witnessing the growing virtues and increasing happiness of each one of your Royal children, more particularly of the illustrious Prince whom the favour of your Majesty has confided to our care, and in whom we rejoice to think that your Royal House will be strengthened and adorned.

May God bless and preserve your Majesty and your Royal Consort, and may He be pleased to grant you many happy years to reign over a contented and religious people.

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WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Liverpool, approach your Majesty with the expression of our heartfelt sympathy in the affliction your Majesty has sustained by the death of your Royal Mother.

It will be consolatory to your Majesty to reflect that Her late Royal Highness had secured the grateful affection and esteem of all your subjects; and this we venture to say arose, not only from her own excellent qualities, but from the recollection that it was from her that you received those principles which have produced in your Majesty so brilliant an example of public and private virtue.

Feeling the deepest interest in all that concerns the happiness of your Majesty and all the Royal Family, we add to our condolences on the present occasion our fervent prayer, that your Majesty may long be spared to reign over a happy and united people, and in the enjoyment of every possible domestic felicity.

S. R. Graves, Mayor.

And the following on the same subject: from
The Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Dumfries.
The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the city and borough of Bath.
The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Boston, in Council assembled.
The Chief Bailiff and Members of the Burslem Local Board of Health, in Meeting assembled.
The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Scarborough, in Council assembled.
The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, of the borough of South Shields, in Common Council assembled.
The Dean of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter, Westminster, together with the Lord High Steward, Deputy High Steward, High Bailiff, Chief Burgesses, Burgesses, Burgesses' Assistants, and High Constable of the city and liberty of Westminster.
The President, Vice-President, and Committee of the German Hospital, Dalston.
The City of London General Pension Society.

Foreign Office, April 22, 1861.

IT is hereby notified that the Right Honourable Lord John Russell, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received from his Excellency the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of His Imperial Majesty the Sultan, an official communication, dated London the 18th of April instant, informing his Lordship that the Imperial Government of the Sultan at Constantinople had received a telegraphic despatch from Dilaver Bey, commanding the Turkish naval forces, charged with the blockade of the Coast of Albania, announcing that on the 13th April instant, he had, with the naval forces under his orders, established a blockade of the Ports and of all the Coasts of Albania, from Durazzo (which is included in the said blockade) to the Austrian frontier.