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THE following Addresses of Congratulation to the Queen, on the attainment of his Majority by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, having been transmitted to the Right Honourable Sir George Grey, Baronet, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for Presentation, have accordingly been presented by him to Her Majesty, who has been pleased to receive the same very graciously :

Unto Her Most Excellent Majesty VICTORIA, QUEEN of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, the loyal and dutiful Address of the President, Vice-Presidents, and other constituent Members of the General Committee of Management of the Educational Institute of Scotland.

WE, your Majesty's most loyal and most dutiful subjects, the President, Vice-Presidents, and other constituent Members of the General Committee of Management of the Educational Institute of Scotland, in stated meeting assembled, beg leave, with the most profound respect, to approach your Majesty, for the purpose of expressing our devoted loyalty to your Majesty's person and family ; our admiration of the many virtues which have enthroned your Majesty in the hearts and affections of all your subjects ; and especially our most grateful recognition of the unceasing care and watchfulness exercised by your Majesty, in conjunction with His Royal Highness the late lamented Prince Consort, in rearing in the paths of religion and virtue, a family who adorn the illustrious rank to which they belong.

We would further present to your Majesty our humble but most sincere congratulations on the attainment of his Majority by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and on the interesting and most important Alliance which, with the consent and approval of your Majesty, he is about to form with an illustrious Princess. In His Royal Highness we feel an especial interest, not only as the destined heir to the throne of the greatest country in the world, but as having conferred on Scotland the distinguished honour of receiving a portion of his education in this northern part of the kingdom. It is our most earnest prayer that the Matrimonial Alliance of His Royal Highness may be long-enduring and happy ; and that, when at a day—which we trust is yet far distant—he is called upon, by the Supreme Disposer of Events, to assume the high functions so long and so

beneficially exercised by your Majesty, he may follow in the footsteps of his illustrious Parents, and thereby encircle his throne with the same ardent loyalty and affection which your subjects universally entertain for your Majesty's person and government.

Ordered by the Meeting, on the 27th day of December, 1862, to be signed by the President, sealed with the Seal of the Incorporation, and transmitted to the Right Honourable Sir George Grey, Bart., Secretary of State for the Home Department, for presentation to Her Majesty.

M. McMaster, President of the Educational Institute of Scotland.

And the following on the same subject : from

The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Bury St. Edmunds.
The Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Maidstone.
The Guildry Incorporation of the Royal Burgh of Dundee.

By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Tuesday the thirteenth day of January instant ; We, with the advice of Our Privy Council, do hereby publish and declare, that the said Parliament shall be further prorogued, on the said thirteenth day of January instant, to Thursday, the fifth day of February next ; and We have given order to Our Chancellor of that part of Our United Kingdom called Great Britain to prepare a Commission for proroguing the same accordingly : and We do hereby further, with the advice aforesaid, declare Our royal will and pleasure, that the said Parliament shall, on the said Thursday, the fifth day of February next, assemble and be holden for the dispatch of divers urgent and important affairs : and the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs of the House of Commons, are hereby