

wide spread of education, that ever-quicken-  
ing march of science, that happy expansion of  
religious liberty, which has so deepened and  
broadened the course of study in this University,  
and has taught her to make her aims national  
rather than inclusive.

But, Madam, we shall leave our deepest feelings  
unexpressed unless we bear witness to those  
personal qualities of Your Majesty which have so  
endeared You to the heart of Your people, to the  
justice, wisdom, and piety which have supported  
Your Throne and adorned Your private life : and,  
above all, to that tender sympathy which You have  
never refused to distress, and which has bound  
You so closely to Your loving subjects that they  
venture to rejoice in all Your Majesty's happi-  
ness, and to bear their part in those heavy sorrows  
which You have endured with so much fortitude.

We most earnestly pray that Almighty God,  
who has so long watched over Your person and  
Your Throne, may be pleased to vouchsafe to You  
His continual protection, and may grant to Your  
Majesty and to the Empire over which You reign  
the blessings of peace and prosperity.

Given at our House of Convocation, under  
our Common Seal, this 14th day of June,  
in the year of our Lord 1887.

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

"I RECEIVE with great pleasure your loyal  
and dutiful Address.

"During the fifty years through which, by  
God's blessing, it has been My lot to reign, the  
ancient and illustrious University of Oxford has  
added to its historical renown as a seat of  
learning. It has widened the portals which give  
access to its teaching and to its endowments and  
it has enlarged the range of those higher studies  
upon which the national culture and the national  
greatness must largely depend.

"I am confident that you, who are now re-  
sponsible for the guidance of the University, will  
in no degree fall short of your predecessors in  
successful efforts for the advancement of learning  
and the spread of education throughout the  
Kingdom."

*Windsor Castle, July 6, 1887.*

THIS day His Grace the Duke of Devonshire,  
K.G., Chancellor of the University of Cam-  
bridge, and a Deputation from that University,  
waited upon Her Majesty to present the following  
Address, which was handed to Her Majesty :—

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of  
the University of Cambridge, desire to approach  
Your Majesty with loyal and dutiful congratula-  
tions on the completion of the fiftieth year of  
Your Majesty's reign.

At no time in the history of our University has  
its expansion been so great as in the years of Your  
Majesty's reign. While it unites within itself as  
a place of learning all classes of Your Majesty's  
subjects, it now directs and co-operates in educa-  
tional movements at distant centres within the  
Kingdom. Throughout the Colonial Empire, also,  
it is called upon to estimate and to further the  
progress of education. And a desire for still  
closer relations is shown by the Universities of  
India, and of the most remote Colonies which are  
seeking to be affiliated to the University of  
Cambridge.

Within our precincts the number of our  
students has increased twofold, and the branches  
of learning fostered by the University have mul-  
tiplied. In the extension of our studies we trace  
the hand of the accomplished and illustrious  
Prince, who from the tenth to the twenty-fifth  
year of Your Majesty's reign, presided over the  
University as its Chancellor, and whose name and  
features are preserved to us by lasting memorials.  
And we rejoice that the personal association of  
Your Majesty's Family through His Royal High-  
ness the Prince Consort with our University has  
been continued to the second and to the third  
generation by the residence among us as members  
of our body of His Royal Highness the Prince of  
Wales and of His Royal Highness the Prince  
Albert Victor Christian Edward of Wales.

And as we desire to express our grateful sense  
of the progress permitted to the University  
during Your Majesty's reign, and of the personal  
relations into which it has been its privilege to  
enter with successive generations of Your  
Majesty's Family so as loyal subjects we desire to  
assure Your Majesty that we most fully join in  
the dutiful affection and esteem which the course  
of Your Majesty's life and reign has won from  
Your Majesty's subjects throughout the world.  
And we earnestly pray for the long continuance  
to the Empire of the blessings of Your Most  
Gracious Majesty's wise and beneficent rule.

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

"I THANK you for your loyal and dutiful  
Address on the completion of the fiftieth year  
of My reign.

"The expansive energy of the University of  
Cambridge has, since the commencement of My  
reign, largely contributed to the general advance  
of science and has developed the range of sound  
and liberal education amongst My people.

"It gratifies Me to think of the continued  
relations maintained between My Family and the  
University.

"I trust that the University of Cambridge  
may continue its great career of usefulness and  
prosperity to the lasting benefit of all classes of  
My subjects."

*Windsor Castle, July 6, 1887.*

THIS day the Reverend Dr. Hutchison, the  
Moderator, and a Deputation of the General  
Assembly of the Church of Scotland, waited  
upon Her Majesty to present the following  
Address, which was handed to Her Majesty.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects,  
the Ministers and Elders of the Church of  
Scotland, met in General Assembly, beg most  
respectfully to offer to Your Majesty our hearty  
congratulations on the completion of the fiftieth  
year of Your reign. There is no other reign  
in history so remarkable for all that constitutes  
the greatness and happiness of a people, or  
which sheds such lustre on the Sovereign. Art  
and science have advanced so marvelously as to  
have changed the face of the world. Manufac-  
tures and commerce have enormously increased  
(although of late years their progress has been  
somewhat checked), and as a consequence of this  
increase the comforts of the industrial classes  
have been greatly multiplied. Side by side with  
this material progress there has, we believe, been