with those times in which I had the honour of being first known to Your Majesty.

Permit me, Sire, further, not in the language of adulation but of truth, to express my conviction, that there are none of the most patriotic and loyal of Your Majesty's subjects who exult more on the evidence which I hope to produce of these facts than Your Majesty,—Your Majesty having already evinced, since the commencement of your reign, the ruling principle of Your Majesty's conduct to be that of a paternal anxiety watching over and protecting the best interests, the rights, the liberties, and the general welfare of the subjects of these realms, by the manifestation of which Your Majesty already reigns in their hearts.

I have only, further, humbly to request Your Majesty's gracious acceptance of the expression of the ardent sentiments of veneration, as well as of affection and gratitude, which I feel for the many proofs of good will and good offices received at Your Majesty's

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