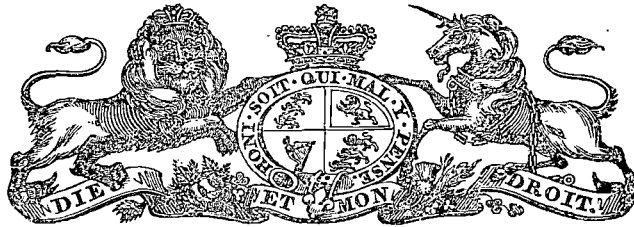


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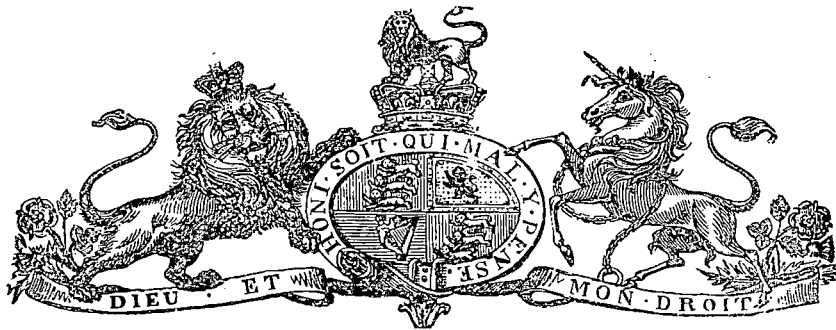
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“LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

“IN the name of the Duchess, as well as myself, I thank you sincerely for the loyal and kindly sentiments contained in the addresses which have now been presented to us.

“At the same time we desire to express our gratitude to the people of Hobart, and those who joined with them in the hearty demonstrations with which we were welcomed to your beautiful island. I shall not fail to convey to my dear father the King your declarations of devotion and attachment to his Throne and person, and your expressions of affection and veneration for the memory of our late beloved and universally mourned Queen.

“It gives us great pleasure to visit Tasmania to become acquainted with its people, and to enjoy some experience of its favoured climate and picturesque scenery. In thus coming amongst you I am privileged to voice the feelings of profound satisfaction and admiration of the mother-country in the ready self-sacrifice with which your gallant sons have fought and died in the maintenance of our common rights as an Empire.

“I am glad to know that during recent years there has been a marked development of the mining interests and fruit industry of the island.

“I am gratified to receive an address, and its accompanying kind gift, from those toiling workers of the lonely forest, who speak on behalf of the Australasian Axemen's Association. We look forward with much interest to seeing a display of the powers of their craft during our stay here.

“I congratulate Tasmania upon having seen the accomplishment of that federation of the Australian States for which she has worked so earnestly. I trust that the hopes and aspirations which prompted her people to enter this great national union may be more than fully realised in the future prosperity of the Commonwealth, and in the greatness, power and solidarity of the Empire.”

GEORGE.