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To. Her Majesty
Queen Liliuokalani-
Madame.

Your message through our old time Mutual friend - Hon. W F Allen has been communicated to me by him, is this day received. The Hawaiian words come to my mind - "aloha inoiaoe" that seem to be more intensitive in their expression on such an occasion - May I assure your majesty that I have had a like experience and have

My I be permitted - though a 4. kahole - and not a Kanaaina to offer My Congratulations on your retaining as one of Your Majesty's Servants - the Hon - J Mott Smith - I can testify of his loyalty and friendship to your Royal Person - and to Hawaii -

E. kala oe i ka Mahaoi o kahi elemakule - i kona kaanaaku ia oe, a mau no. i kona pule ia Ke Akua a Malamai ia oe - a e Kai ia oe iloko o ka pono. a Malaila - a hoomanaia oe a me "ka ea o ka aina" - a a hookaulana i kou inoa mau imua o na aina o kahonua aloha. i na lua o ko Hawaii oeleo - Mai aka aka mai oe i na lemahema - i kahi lima a ma na lua kakau ia -

Permit the Most respectful assurances of high regard to Your Majesty - Me ka Aloha -

Gorham D. Gilman

At the time of the deceas of your Royal Brother and your Majestys accession to the throne of Hawaii -, Long live the Queen -, I presumed to write a letter of condolence and congratulations. I also sent an article - written by request and published by the A. B. C. F. M. - and I also sent to The Prince Consort. My photograph - requesting that if there was no impropriety in so doing I might be favored with an exchange of one of The Queen and one of himself - I have feared that these communications may never have been brought to your notice as I have never learned that they were received.

Some knowledge of the sad trial that comes to us in the bereavement as the sovereign has been called to suffer.

May I be pardoned if I presume that this time when it is "Kahealaka" Jr to sympathize with you in your untimely loss - Long years ago I knew your Honored husband - and your Honored Mother, and then and there, I learned to love them both - I am deeply grieved to learn by the Hawaiian Mail of the death of your Father - and would gladly attend his obsequies but for the fact that I have received no intimation from the P. C. Jones Whether I am to receive my salary - and I know that I should not receive it - as I have recently received a letter from the Minister of Finance - stating that my services were dispensed with - on account of the reduction in the appropriations - and I know that I could not be spared at this time - as I am the only person in the office who understands the Hawaiian language - and I am kept very busy - at times - all day - and sometimes late in the evening -