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Your Majesty's Confidential Servants think it their Duty to add to the accompanying Minutes, a few words in explanation of the Omnipotence which Your Majesty remarks in the Speech respecting Blasphemy and Irreligion.

These Topics had been particularly adverted to in former Speeches from the Throne, whilst the Laws in existence had been (from whatever Cause) not put in force, and whilst their efficiency for the purpose was in many respects deemed inadequate, and on this ground new Laws were called for and passed in the course of the last Session.

In the Draft of the Speech submitted to Your Majesty, the passing of those new Laws

and the due execution of the Laws as men-  
tioned as amongst the Causes which have  
restored confidence to the Country.

It is now notorious that those Laws have  
been duly executed, and it was thought  
more delicate to make the allusion general  
than to appear to refer in a Kings Speech  
to particular Trials and convictions.

There however can be no difficulty in  
meeting Your Majesty's Views on this Subject,  
if Your Majesty should still wish the  
insertion of any expressions pointed to these  
objects.