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CEREMONIAL observed at the STATE OPENING of the EXHIBITION of the WORKS OF INDUSTRY OF ALL NATIONS, on Thursday the 1st of May 1851.

THE Holders of season tickets were admitted at all doors on the east, south, and west of the Building, between the hours of nine and half-past eleven o'clock, and took their places, subject to police regulations, in the lower part of the Building, and in the galleries, except the parts railed off in the Nave and Transept.

Exhibitors' attendants, who had been sanctioned by the Executive Committee, were admitted between the hours of eight and nine o'clock, at doors specified on their cards, and took their places by the counters or objects exhibited by their employers.

A Chair of State, raised on a platform and under a canopy, looking south, was placed at the north of the centre of the Transept.

Her Majesty's Commissioners, with their Executive Committee and the Foreign Acting Commissioners, assembled in the Transept, opposite the platform, at half-past eleven o'clock.

His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of Winchester, Her Majesty's Ministers and the Foreign Ministers, took their places on the platform to the right and left of the Chair of State, also at half-past eleven o'clock.

Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent, with Her Royal Highness Princess Mary of Cambridge, His Royal Highness Prince Henry of the Netherlands, His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge, and His Serene Highness Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar, arrived at the Exhibition Building shortly before Her Majesty.

The Queen and His Royal Highness Prince Albert, with their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and Princess Royal, attended by the Royal Household (excepting the Vice-Chamberlain and the Gentlemen Ushers, who awaited Her Majesty's arrival at the Exhibition Building), and accompanied by their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Prussia, and Prince Frederic William of Prussia, left Buckingham Palace at half-past eleven o'clock, and proceeded up Constitution Hill, down Rotten Row, to the North Entrance of the Exhibition Building, in the following order:—

In the First Carriage.

Field Officer in Brigade Waiting.
Silver Stick.
Two Gentlemen in attendance upon the Prince and Princess of Prussia.

In the Second Carriage.

Equerry to the Queen.
Equerry to the Prince.
Groom in Waiting to the Queen.
Groom of the Bedchamber to the Prince.

In the Third Carriage.

Treasurer of the Household.
 Lord in Waiting to the Queen.
 Lord of the Bedchamber to the Prince.
 Clerk Marshal.

In the Fourth Carriage.

Gold Stick.
 Captain of the Gentlemen at Arms.
 Captain of the Yeomen of the Guard.
 Master of the Buckhounds.

In the Fifth Carriage.

Bedchamber Woman.
 Two Maids of Honour.
 Groom of the Stole to the Prince.

In the Sixth Carriage.

Two Ladies in attendance upon the Princess of Prussia.
 The Lady Superintendent.
 The Lord Chamberlain.

In the Seventh Carriage.

Two Ladies of the Bedchamber.
 Lord Steward.
 Master of the Horse.

In the Eighth Carriage.

H. R. H. the Prince of Prussia.
 H. R. H. the Princess of Prussia.
 H. R. H. Prince Frederic William of Prussia.
 The Mistress of the Robes.

In the Ninth Carriage.

Her Majesty the Queen.
 H. R. H. Prince Albert.
 H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.
 H. R. H. the Princess Royal.

On Her Majesty's arrival within the Building, at twelve o'clock precisely, which was announced by a flourish of trumpets, the Queen and the Prince, with the Royal Family, the Foreign Guests and their Suites, proceeded to the raised Platform, the Choir singing the National Anthem.

On the Queen taking Her Seat in the Chair of State, His Royal Highness Prince Albert joined the other Royal Commissioners, and when the Music had ceased, proceeded at their head to the platform, and read to Her Majesty the following Report of the proceedings of the Commission up to that time, which he delivered to Her Majesty, together with a Catalogue of the Articles exhibited.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

"WE, the Commissioners appointed by Your Majesty's Royal Warrant of the 3rd of January 1850, for the promotion of the Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations; and subsequently incorporated by Your Majesty's Royal Charter of the 15th of August in the same year, humbly beg leave, on the occasion of Your Majesty's auspicious visit at the opening of the Exhibition, to lay before you a brief statement of our proceedings to the present time.

"By virtue of the authority graciously committed to us by Your Majesty, we have made diligent inquiry into the matters which Your Majesty was pleased to refer to us, namely, into the best mode of introducing the productions of Your Majesty's Colonies and of Foreign Countries into this Kingdom, the selection of the most suitable site for the Exhibition, the general conduct of the undertaking, and the proper method of determining the nature of the Prizes, and of securing the most impartial distribution of them.

"In the prosecution of these inquiries, and in the discharge of the duties assigned to us by Your Majesty's Royal Charter of Incorporation, we have held constant meetings of our whole body, and have, moreover, referred numerous questions connected with a great variety of subjects to Committees, composed partly of our own members and partly of individuals distinguished in the several departments of science and the arts, who have cordially responded to our applications for their assistance at a great sacrifice of their valuable time.

"Among the earliest questions brought before us was the important one as to the terms upon which articles offered for exhibition should be admitted into the Building. We considered that it was a main characteristic of the national undertaking in which we were engaged that it should depend wholly upon the voluntary contributions of the people of this country for its success; and we

therefore decided, without hesitation, that no charge whatever should be made on the admission of such goods. We considered, also, that the office of selecting the articles to be sent should be intrusted in the first instance to Local Committees, to be established in every foreign country, and in various districts of Your Majesty's dominions, a general power of control being reserved to the Commission.

"We have now the gratification of stating that our anticipations of support in this course have in all respects been fully realized. Your Majesty's most gracious donation to the funds of the Exhibition was the signal for voluntary contributions from all, even the humblest classes of your subjects, and the funds which have thus been placed at our disposal amount at present to about 65,000*l*. Local committees, from which we have uniformly received the most zealous co-operation, were formed in all parts of the United Kingdom, in many of Your Majesty's colonies, and in the territories of the Hon. East India Company. The most energetic support has also been received from the Governments of nearly all the countries of the world, in most of which Commissions have been appointed for the special purpose of promoting the objects of an Exhibition justly characterised in Your Majesty's Royal warrant as an Exhibition of the Works of Industry of all Nations.

"We have also to acknowledge the great readiness with which persons of all classes have come forward as Exhibitors. And here again it becomes our duty to return our humble thanks to your Majesty for the most gracious manner in which Your Majesty has condescended to associate yourself with your subjects, by yourself contributing some most valuable and interesting articles to the Exhibition.

"The number of Exhibitors whose productions it has been found possible to accommodate is about 15,000, of whom nearly one-half are British. The remainder represent the productions of more than forty foreign countries, comprising almost the whole of the civilized nations of the globe. In arranging the space to be allotted to each, we have taken into consideration both the nature of its productions and the facilities of access to this country afforded by its geographical position. Your Majesty will find the productions of Your Majesty's dominions arranged in the western portion of the Building, and those of foreign countries in the eastern. The Exhibition is divided into the four great classes of—1. Raw Materials; 2. Machinery; 3. Manufactures; and 4. Sculpture and the Fine Arts. A further division has been made according to the geographical position of the countries represented; those which lie within the warmer latitudes being placed near the centre of the Building, and the colder countries at the extremities.

"Your Majesty having been graciously pleased to grant a site in this your Royal park for the purposes of the Exhibition, the first column of the structure now honoured by Your Majesty's presence was fixed on the 26th of September last. Within the short period, therefore, of seven months, owing to the energy of the Contractors, and the active industry of the workmen employed by them, a building has been erected, entirely novel in its construction, covering a space of more than 18 acres, measuring 1,851 feet in length, and 456 feet in extreme breadth, capable of containing 40,000 visitors, and affording a frontage for the Exhibition of Goods to the extent of more than 10 miles. For the original suggestion of the principle of this structure, the Commissioners are indebted to Mr. Joseph Paxton, to whom they feel their acknowledgments to be justly due for this interesting feature of their undertaking.

"With regard to the distribution of Rewards to deserving Exhibitors, we have decided that they should be given in the form of Medals, not with reference to merely individual competition, but as rewards for excellence in whatever shape it may present itself. The selection of the persons to be so rewarded has been intrusted to Juries composed equally of British subjects and of Foreigners, the former having been selected by the Commission from the recommendations made by the Local Committees, and the latter by the Governments of the Foreign Nations the productions of which are exhibited. The names of these Jurors, comprising as they do many of European celebrity, afford the best guarantee of the impartiality with which the Rewards will be assigned.

"It affords much gratification that, notwithstanding the magnitude of this undertaking, and the great distances from which many of the articles now exhibited have had to be collected, the day on which Your Majesty has been graciously pleased to be present at the inauguration of the Exhibition is the same day that was originally named for its opening, thus affording a proof of what may, under God's blessing, be accomplished by goodwill and cordial co-operation among nations, aided by the means that modern science has placed at our command.

"Having thus briefly laid before Your Majesty the results of our labours, it now only remains for us to convey to Your Majesty our dutiful and loyal acknowledgments of the support and encouragement which we have derived throughout this extensive and laborious task from the gracious favour and countenance of Your Majesty. It is our heartfelt prayer that this undertaking, which has for its end the promotion of all branches of human industry and the strengthening of the bonds of peace and friendship among all nations of the earth, may, by the blessing of Divine Providence, conduce to the welfare of Your Majesty's people, and be long remembered among the brightest circumstances of Your Majesty's peaceful and happy reign."

Her Majesty returned the following gracious answer, handed to her by the Secretary of State :—

"I RECEIVE with the greatest satisfaction the Address which you have presented to Me on the opening of this Exhibition.

"I have observed with a warm and increasing interest the progress of your proceedings in the execution of the duties intrusted to you by the Royal Commission, and it affords me sincere gratification to witness the successful result of your judicious and unremitting exertions in the splendid spectacle by which I am this day surrounded.

"I cordially concur with you in the prayer that, by God's blessing, this undertaking may conduce to the welfare of My people, and to the common interests of the human race, by encouraging the arts of peace and industry, strengthening the bonds of union among the nations of the earth, and promoting a friendly and honourable rivalry in the useful exercise of those faculties which have been conferred by a beneficent Providence for the good and the happiness of mankind."

After which His Royal Highness Prince Albert took his place again by the side of Her Majesty.

His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, commencing with "The Lord's Prayer," proceeded to invoke God's Blessing upon the undertaking in the following words:—

"Almighty and everlasting God, who dost govern all things both in heaven and earth, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy; accept, we beseech Thee, the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and receive these our prayers, which we offer unto Thee this day in behalf of the kingdom and people of this land. We acknowledge, O Lord, that Thou hast multiplied upon us blessings which Thou mightest most justly have withheld: we acknowledge that it is not because of works of righteousness which we have done, but of Thy great mercy, that we are permitted to come before Thee with the voice of thanksgiving; and that instead of humbling us for our offences, Thou hast given us fresh cause to praise Thee for Thine abundant goodness. And now, O Lord, we beseech Thee to bless the work which Thou hast enabled us to begin, and to regard with Thy favour our present purpose of uniting together in the bonds of peace and concord the different nations of the earth. For with Thee, O Lord, is the preparation of the heart in man. Of Thee it cometh that violence is not heard in our land, wasting nor destruction within its borders. It is of Thee, O Lord, that nation does not lift up sword against nation, nor learn war any more. It is of Thee that peace is within our walls, and plenteousness within our palaces. It is of Thee that men go to and fro in safety, and knowledge is increased throughout the world: for the Spirit of man is from Thee, and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth him understanding. Therefore, O Lord, not unto us, not unto us, but unto Thy name be all the praise. Whilst we survey the works of art and industry which surround us, let not our hearts be lifted up, that we forget the Lord our God, as if our own power or the might of our hands had gotten us this wealth. Teach us ever to remember that all this store which we have prepared cometh of Thine hand, and is all Thine own. Both riches and honour come of Thee, and Thou reignest over all; and in Thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. Now therefore, O God, we thank Thee, we praise Thee, and entreat Thee so to overrule this assemblage of many nations, that it may tend to the advancement of Thy glory, to the diffusion of Thy holy word, to the increase of general prosperity, by promoting peace and good will amongst the different races of mankind. Let the many mercies which we receive from Thee, dispose our hearts to serve Thee more faithfully, who art the Author and Giver of them all. And, finally, O Lord, teach us so to use those earthly blessings which Thou givest us richly to enjoy, that they may not withdraw our affections from those heavenly things which Thou hast prepared for them that love and serve Thee, through the merits and mediation of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever."

After which the Hallelujah Chorus was sung by the Choir.

A Royal Procession was then formed in the following order:

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His Royal Highness
P R I N C E A L B E R T,
leading Her Royal Highness
The Princess Royal.

THE
Q U E E N,
leading His Royal Highness
The Prince of Wales.

His Royal Highness
The Prince of Prussia.

Her Royal Highness
The Duchess of Kent.

His Royal Highness
Prince Henry of the Netherlands.

Her Royal Highness
The Princess of Prussia.

His Royal Highness
Prince Frederic William of Prussia.

Her Royal Highness
Princess Mary of Cambridge.

His Serene Highness
Prince Edward of Saxe Weimar.

His Royal Highness
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The Procession, turning to the right, moved to the west end of the Nave by its north side, and returning by its south side, passed round the south end of the Transept, and continuing to the east end of the Nave, came back to the centre of the Transept: thus enabling all that were present to see Her Majesty and the Procession.

During the Procession at the Queen's approach, the respective organs were successively played.

On Her Majesty's return to the platform, the Queen commanded the Lord Chamberlain to declare "The Exhibition open!" The declaration being made, it was announced to the Public by a flourish of trumpets, and by the firing of a royal salute on the north of the Serpentine; whereupon, the barriers, which had kept the Nave and Transepts clear, were removed, and the Public allowed to circulate.

Her Majesty returned to Buckingham Palace by the route by which she came.

All the doors, which had been closed at half past eleven o'clock, were re-opened upon Her Majesty's departure.

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