

fervent prayer of Your Majesty's most faithful and devoted servants.

Signed in name and under the Seal of the Royal College of Physicians at Edinburgh, this 24th day of May, 1887.

[Presented by Dr. George Balfour (the Vice-President), and Mr. R. P. Ritchie (Treasurer)].

To Her Most Gracious Majesty VICTORIA, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the President and Fellows of the King and Queen's College of Physicians in Ireland beg to offer to Your Majesty our heartfelt congratulations on the auspicious occasion of the completion of the fiftieth year of Your Majesty's glorious reign, together with the renewed expression of our devoted loyalty and attachment to Your Throne and Person.

We recognize with grateful appreciation the favour which Your Majesty in common with Your illustrious and deeply lamented Consort has ever extended to our profession.

It is also a matter for congratulation that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and the Members of the Royal Family, following the example of their illustrious parents, have always displayed a similar kindly interest with that profession in its efforts for the advancement of medical science as well as the preservation and improvement of the health of the nation.

That the Almighty may be pleased to spare Your Gracious Majesty for many years to come to guide the destinies of the mighty Empire over which You have so long and so nobly ruled is the earnest prayer of us, Your Majesty's loyal subjects and dutiful servants, the President and Fellows of the King and Queen's College of Physicians in Ireland.

*James Little, M.D., President.*

*John Wm. Moore, M.D., Fellow and Registrar.*

[Presented by Dr. James Little, M.D. (President), and Dr. J. W. Moore, M.D. (Fellow and Registrar)].

Unto the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty, the Humble Address of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, Your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, beg leave to approach the Throne with our warm and heartfelt congratulations on the advent at this time of the fiftieth anniversary of Your Majesty's most illustrious, eventful, and auspicious reign.

Deeply sensible of the high honour conferred upon this portion of the Empire by Your Majesty's frequent visits to Scotland, we, as members of the most ancient surgical corporation in all Your Majesty's dominions, founded 1505, and one which has on many occasions experienced the favour and protection of Your Majesty's Royal ancestors, gladly embrace the opportunity of expressing our feelings of devoted loyalty and attachment to the sacred person of a sovereign under whose auspices and wise administration, literature and science have so eminently flourished; and to assure Your Majesty upon this eventful occasion, that the earnest prayer of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh is, that Your Majesty may yet long be spared in health and prosperity to adorn Your high position and to

sway the sceptre over a free, a loyal, and a happy people.

Signed in the name and under the Corporate Seal of the College, at Edinburgh, this 16th day of May, 1887.

*D. Argyll Robertson, President.*

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[Presented by Dr. Argyll Robertson (President, Surgeon-Oculist to the Queen in Scotland), and Dr. John Smith, (Vice-President)].

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the President, Vice-President, and Council of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, desire humbly to approach Your Majesty to offer our warm and heartfelt congratulations on the auspicious occasion of the completion of the fiftieth year of Your Majesty's glorious reign.

We join earnestly with all Your Majesty's dutiful subjects in the prayer that You may be long spared by Divine Providence to continue in health, happiness, and prosperity in the sovereignty of Your great and ever-increasing Empire.

Signed on behalf of the College,

*Anthony H. Conley, President.*

*Henry Fitzgibbon, Vice-President.*

*William Colles, Secretary.*

[Presented by Dr. Anthony H. Conley (President) and Mr. Henry Fitzgibbon (Vice-President)].

To Her Most Gracious Majesty VICTORIA, QUEEN of Great Britain and Ireland.

WE, the President, the President of the Council, the Treasurer and Council of the British Medical Association, humbly approach Your Royal and Imperial Throne with the profoundest feelings of respect and veneration, desiring to assure Your Majesty of our continued and heartfelt devotion to Your person and Your rule.

We would express our grateful acknowledgments to the Almighty Disposer of events, that He has seen fit to prolong a life which has been devoted to the well-being and happiness of Your Majesty's subjects, and to lengthen a reign which has been so fruitful in all matters pertaining to the advancement of art, science, literature, and industry, and so largely instrumental in promoting peace throughout the civilized world.

To our own profession Your Majesty has ever shown an appreciative kindness and goodwill, which was conspicuously manifested last year when Your Majesty graciously condescended to lay the foundation stone of the Examination Hall for the two Royal Colleges, on which occasion Your Majesty addressed most kindly words to the President of the College of Physicians, and, through him, to the profession generally. It now only remains for us to offer a fervent prayer that the Almighty may be pleased to preserve Your Majesty's life in health and happiness for many years to come, that Your Majesty may continue to seek His honour and glory, and so study to preserve the people committed to Your Majesty's charge in health, peace, and godliness.

*W. Withers Moore, President.*

*J. T. Banks, President Elect.*

*B. Walter Foster, President of the Council.*

*C. Macnamara, Treasurer.*

[Presented by Dr. W. Withers Moore (President), and Dr. Walter Foster, M.P. (President of the Council)].