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THE following Address was presented to the Queen on the 10th day of May, 1893, on the occasion of Her Majesty inaugurating the Imperial Institute, by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, K.G., &c., &c., &c.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE, the President and Governing Body of the Imperial Institute, approach Your Majesty with the expression of our heartfelt affection and loyalty.

In the auspicious year in which was celebrated the Fiftieth Anniversary of Your Majesty's Accession to the Throne Your Majesty was graciously pleased to lay the foundation stone of this building. It was then confidently anticipated that every class and race, every country and colony, under Your Majesty's beneficent sway would unite in this tribute of love and loyalty. That anticipation has been fully realized. All parts of the British Empire have contributed to the creation and support of this Memorial of a Reign which will ever be illustrious in the annals of history.

The Imperial Institute, which Your Majesty has graciously consented to inaugurate to-day, will be an enduring emblem of the unity of the Empire and of the common bond of loyalty and affection which makes its people one. The varied products and the vast capabilities and resources of the many countries of which the British Empire consists will be here illustrated, and each part of that Great Empire will thus be in a position better to understand and appreciate the wants and capacities of every other part. In order to promote that object a Department of Commercial Intelligence has been established, whereby full and accurate information of the resources and ever varying developments of the British Dominions may be disseminated.

We hope that Your Majesty's subjects from all parts of those Dominions may here find facilities for social intercourse, and that friendly relations between them may thus be increased and strengthened.

We venture to express a confident anticipation that the Imperial Institute will not only be a record of the growth of the Empire and of the marvellous advance of its people in industrial and commercial prosperity during Your Majesty's Reign, but will also tend to increase that prosperity by stimulating enterprise and promoting technical and scientific knowledge which is now so essential to industrial development.

We know that these objects are dear to Your Majesty's heart, and we hope that this Institute may serve to perpetuate the memory of that fostering care and solicitude which during Your long Reign Your Majesty has always bestowed on every part of Your extended Empire.

Albert Edward, P., President,
On behalf of the Governing Body of
the Imperial Institute.

Her Majesty read the following gracious reply, handed to Her by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, the Right Honourable H. H. Asquith, M.P. :—

"IT is with very great Pleasure that I am here to inaugurate this Building, and to receive this Address which you, My dear Son, have presented to Me on behalf of the Governing Body of the Imperial Institute.

"This has been founded by your Exertions with the Efforts of those around you, and with the Aid of My People in every Clime and Country, as Evidence of the universal Loyalty of My Subjects.

"I recognize this Institute as a fitting Symbol of the Unity of the Empire, and it will be a matter of profound Satisfaction if the Association of the many and divers Countries under My Rule should be the Means of knitting them more closely together.

"The Imperial Institute is intended to promote this great Purpose, and I now declare it open, with an earnest Prayer that it may never cease to continue and flourish as a lasting Emblem of the Unity and Loyalty of My Empire."