

assures us that these elements of national greatness will continue to receive Your favour and protection.

That, with these happy auguries for the future, Your Majesty's reign may be long, happy and glorious, and that You may ever rule in the hearts as well as over the persons of a loving, dutiful and grateful people is the earnest wish and ardent prayer of

Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful Subjects,

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THE PRESIDENT, COUNCIL AND FELLOWS  
OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious Answer:—

"I thank you for your loyal Address of condolence from the President, Council, and Fellows of the Royal Society on the death of My beloved father. It is a consolation to feel that your Society, numbering amongst its Fellows the most distinguished Men of Science of this Country, sympathises with Me in My terrible bereavement.

"Your words of appreciation of the character of the late King are very welcome to Me. He always regarded with the deepest interest those scientific discoveries, and those applications of discoveries already made which have been of such supreme importance in the advancement of civilization. I also have watched with close attention the work of your Society, and it is My sincere hope that its prosperity will continue, and that a Fellowship of the Royal Society will always be esteemed one of the highest honours which can be earned by devotion to the cause of science.

"I desire to thank you most cordially for your congratulations on My Accession to the Throne, and to assure you of My sympathy and support in your beneficent efforts for the promotion of natural knowledge. I gladly accede to your request that I should inscribe My name as Patron in your Charter Book."

Whitehall, June 13, 1910.

The following Address was presented to His Majesty, at St. James's Palace, on the 9th instant:—

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

The Loyal and Dutiful Address of the Council of the Administrative County of London.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

We, the Council of the Administrative County of London, the representative authority of the inhabitants of the capital of the Empire, humbly approach Your Majesty that we may lay before Your Majesty the expression of our feelings on the occasion of the death of our late much-loved King and of the accession of Your Majesty to the Throne.

We venture humbly to assure Your Majesty that we share to the full the sorrow which the death of His late Majesty King Edward VII has awakened in the hearts not only of the people of this Kingdom, but of our fellow subjects in the dominions beyond the seas and in India.

We ask also leave to say that in an especial degree this loss appeals to us because of the many signal acts of Royal favour with which His late Majesty honoured us, and the sympathy and recognition which He always gave to the work which has fallen to us to perform for the capital of the Empire, in the governance of

which His Majesty took a great and abiding interest, and in the midst of which He frequently made his residence, ever caring for the health, beauty and comfort of this great county.

In the grief of Your Majesty and Your Majesty's Royal House, and especially in the pre-eminent grief of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Alexandra, we venture to express very respectfully the sympathy of the people of London.

We pray Your Majesty to believe that we hail with the utmost satisfaction Your Majesty's accession to the Throne. Assured as well by the gracious messages addressed to the nation as by the recollection of Your Majesty's personal interest in the great work in which we are engaged, we are confident that our labours for the amelioration of the lot of those least fortunately placed, the education of the future industrial population of London, and the provision of the many and varied necessities essential for the well-being of so vast a community, will receive at Your Majesty's hands a continuance of Royal sympathy and support. We gratefully recall that Your Majesty and Her Majesty Queen Mary, as Prince and Princess of Wales, honoured the Council by inaugurating its electrified tramway system, visiting its suburban working class cottages at Tooting, and opening Rotherhithe-tunnel, and by being present on other notable occasions associated with its municipal work.

We humbly assure Your Majesty of our whole-hearted loyalty and of our devotion to the persons of Your Majesty and Your Majesty's Gracious and Royal Consort, Her Majesty Queen Mary, daughter of a much loved Princess of the British Royal House. We venture to express the belief that the recurrence of Royal names belonging to the history of our country which the accession of Your Majesty has brought about in the titles assumed by Your Majesty and Her Majesty the Queen augurs well for the continuance of that progress in material and moral welfare which has hitherto fallen to the lot of our beloved country; and we humbly pray that Your Majesty may long be spared by the blessing of Almighty God to reign over these realms receiving ever the respect, love and homage of a people devoted to their free institutions.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious answer:—

"I thank you most cordially for the Address of Condolence from the Council of the Administrative County of London on the death of My beloved father, for the words of heartfelt sympathy which it contains, and for your appreciation of the interest taken by the late King in the welfare of this great City.

"I wish also to convey to you the thanks of the Queen and Myself for your expressions of devotion to Our Persons, and of My beloved Mother for your sympathetic allusions to Her terrible loss.

"I have long watched with interest the progress of the many duties undertaken by the Council. I am aware of the difficulties they have to meet and of the labour and effort by which they are overcome. Great advance has been made in the provision of accommodation for persons of the working class; and educational work of the Metropolis has never been more efficiently conducted than at present. The broad and noble streets which you have opened through crowded areas, the vast network of tramways by which you have enabled workmen employed in the central districts to live on the confines of the