

Accession to the Throne and as King in the years 1905 and 1909.

The bright expectations entertained when the late King came to the Throne in the year 1901 have been fully realised and indeed exceeded by the splendour of His Majesty's reign and the Royal virtues and qualities displayed by His Majesty Who always had at heart the welfare of the people and made unsparing efforts for the improvement of their condition.

In the wider domain of foreign affairs His late Majesty nobly earned the unique designation of "Peacemaker" and has left a memory which will long be cherished both at home and abroad.

We desire to be permitted to include in this Address our expressions of respectful sympathy and condolence with Her Majesty Queen Alexandra and all Members of the Royal Family.

We also desire to submit our dutiful and loyal homage to Your Majesty upon ascending the Throne as King George the Fifth. We gratefully remember Your Majesty's visits to this City and have read Your Majesty's wise and weighty words on many public occasions.

We fervently pray that Your Majesty's reign may be a blessing to the nation.

We desire to associate in our expressions of loyalty and regard Her most gracious Majesty the Queen Consort, and trust that Divine Providence may vouchsafe to Your Majesties many years of health and happiness in which to fulfil the responsibilities of Your exalted station.

Given under our Common Seal this eleventh day of May, 1910.

L. S.

CHARLES BEHRENS, Lord Mayor.
THOMAS HUDSON, Town Clerk.

CITY OF LEEDS.

To His Most Gracious Majesty King George V.

May it please Your Majesty,

We, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Leeds in Council assembled, humbly and respectfully wish to offer our most loyal and heartfelt congratulations upon the occasion of Your Majesty's Accession to the Throne of these Islands and of Your Majesty's Dominions beyond the Sea.

Whilst we look back with gratitude upon the service Your Majesty has rendered to the country in the past and upon Your Majesty's readiness to further all matters appertaining to the well-being of Your Majesty's subjects we rejoice to hear that it is Your Majesty's gracious intention to follow in the footsteps of Your illustrious Father of revered memory, and we trust and pray that Your Majesty may long be spared to reign over Your Majesty's loyal and devoted subjects and that every earthly honour and happiness may be granted to Your Majesty.

It is also our earnest hope that Your Majesty's Royal Consort, our gracious Queen Mary, may be granted health and strength to share Your Majesty's honour and happiness.

Given under our Corporate Common Seal this first day of June, 1910.

L. S.

W. PENROSE GREEN, Lord Mayor.
ROBERT E. FOX, Town Clerk.

CITY OF BELFAST.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

The loyal and dutiful Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Belfast.

Most gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Belfast, humbly approach the Throne with feelings of profound sorrow and respectful sympathy, on the death of His late Majesty King Edward VII, to express our loyalty and attachment to Your Majesty's Person and Government, and to pay homage to Her gracious Majesty Queen Mary.

We rejoice that Your Majesty has succeeded to the Throne from which our late beloved Sovereign has been called by Almighty Providence. We feel assured that Your Majesty will reign in the hearts of Your people, and that the destinies of this great Empire are safe in Your Majesty's keeping.

We have the happiest recollections of the visit which Your Majesty and Your beloved Consort made to our city in the autumn of 1897. We then expressed the hope that before long a Royal residence would be established in Ireland, and we now venture to repeat that expression, and to assure Your Majesty that the people of Ireland would hail with delight such an intimation of Your Majesty's goodwill.

Since Your Majesty's visit the City of Belfast has continued to prosper, and her people to be loyal, law abiding, and industrious. Her municipal administration has kept pace with legislation, and to-day Belfast takes her place with the cities of first importance in Your Majesty's United Kingdom.

We earnestly pray that Your Majesty, and Your gracious and illustrious Consort, may be long spared to reign over a loyal, united, and contented people, and that the blessing of the Almighty may be with You.

Signed on behalf of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of Belfast.

L. S.

R. J. M'MORDIE, Lord Mayor.
R. MEYER, Town Clerk.

22nd June, 1910.

CITY OF EXETER.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

We, Your Majesty's most devoted and loyal subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of this ancient and loyal city of Exeter in Council assembled, humbly beg to offer to Your Majesty our heartfelt sympathy and condolence on the death of Your beloved and illustrious Father, His most gracious Majesty, King Edward the Seventh.

We share, in common with all Your Majesty's subjects, the profound sorrow and the realisation of the great loss which Your Majesty and the Empire at large have suffered in the death of our beloved King.

His wise and beneficent rule and His untiring and successful labours in the promotion of international peace and goodwill gained for Him the esteem and admiration of all the nations