bers, the governors, masters, scholars, and former scholars, a most loyal and respectful welcome.

We number, Sir, among our cherished records the four visits of your Royal Father and Mother in the years 1864, 1871, 1894, and 1905. Their latest visit must always hold

a special place in our traditions.

It may interest your Majesties to learn that the day you have kindly appointed for your own visit is already among the brightest in the annals of Harrow; for it was on June 15th, in the year 1871, that, with great rejoicings, the school celebrated its three hundredth birthday. From that historic festival some of our chief buildings date their origin, including the Speech Room, in which at this hour we have the high honour to present our homage to your Majesties in person.

Henceforth June 15th will live yet more brightly in the memories of Harrovians, as recalling the gracious presence of King George

and Queen Mary.

If we may turn for a moment to events in the reign of your Majesties, there are two which have in a special manner stirred our hearts as Harrovians; one that at the solemn Coronation of your Majesties, amid the prayers and blessings of your peoples, the hand which placed the crown on the heads of your Majesties was the hand of a Harrow Archbishop; and again, that the predecessor of your Royal uncle as Viceroy of Canada was a distinguished son of Harrow, who during seven years had won in an eminent degree the love and respect of that great and growing Dominion.

We hope it is not too late to tender humbly to your Majesties our most respectful congratulations on your happy return from your auspicious journey to India, where so many millions of devoted subjects found fresh cause

to bless and venerate your names.

During those eventful weeks, when the daily words and acts of your Majesties were followed with eager interest throughout your Empire, it was a proud satisfaction to us to reflect that the Viceroy and the Secretary of State for India who were in attendance on your Majesties were also our own school-fellows.

We would offer our prayer to God that your Majesties may long be spared to reign over a loyal people and a united Empire, and we trust that in the future, as in the past, Harrow men will always be found ready, in Church and State, at home and abroad, to show themselves faithful servants of the Crown.

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

The Queen and I are delighted by your welcome to Us on Our first visit to Harrow, and We thank you for your loyal Address and for your congratulations on Our return from Our visit to My Indian Empire.

We remember the pleasure which My beloved Father and Mother derived from their visits to you; and, like them, We take a deep interest in the welfare of this historic school, and We are glad that Our coming on this day recalls your commemoration in 1871 of the

grant of the Royal Charter to John Lyon, of Preston, three hundred years before. You have legitimate cause for pride that in those centuries your school has grown steadily in honour and renown.

I know well the distinguished part played by Harrovians in all paths of civic and national life. Byron, Palmerston, Peel, and Dalhousie are but a few of the famous names written in the annals of your school. I am certain that in the future, as in the past, men who owe to Harrow their early training will not be "the last nor the faintest" in the great work of governing and defending the Empire. This generous tradition lays on you and on your successors the high duty of fitting yourselves to follow in their steps. By turning to good account not only your studies and discipline, but also the liberty you so largely enjoy, you are preparing yourselves to do good and strenuous service to your King and country, be it "twenty or thirty or forty years on."

Foreign Office, May 1, 1912.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Newton Worrall, Esq., to be His Majesty's Vice-Consul at Diarbekir.

Foreign Office, June 7, 1912.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Kester Wilson Sefton, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul for the Northern part of the State of Rio Grande do Sul, to reside at Porto Alegre; and

Edward James Wigg, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul for the Southern part of the State of Rio Grande do Sul, to reside at Rio Grande do Sul.

Foreign Office, June 10, 1912.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Ernest Frederick Moore, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul for the Departments of Chuquisaca and Tarija, to reside at Suere.

> Foreign Office, June 14, 1912.

The KING has been pleased to approve of— Señor Don Arturo Diaz Garces as Consul-General of Chile at Calcutta, with Consular jurisdiction also in the British Colonies in Asia;

Mr. Herbert Angus Parsons as Consul of Japan at Adelaide;

Mr. Giles R. Taggart as Consul of the United States of America at Cornwall, Ontario; and

Mr. Henry Volt Watters as Consul of Portugal at London.