

exercise of our ancient and much cherished privilege of addressing the Sovereign, desire respectfully to offer to Your Majesty our hearty congratulations on the marriage of your daughter, and our warmest good wishes for her happiness in the new life that lies before her.

As British subjects we rejoice that her marriage will not take her away to some distant land, and that her home will be amongst the men and women of her own country.

In so very many ways Her Royal Highness has endeared herself by her own untiring beneficence, and by the warm interest she has taken in the work of others, thus following the splendid example set by Your Majesty and Her Majesty the Queen. We would take this opportunity of acknowledging with deep gratitude and admiration all that Your Majesties have done from the beginning of your reign but especially during the Great War and since, to show yourselves the true friends and leaders of your people. You have gone amongst them and encouraged them by your unfailing sympathy and kindness, and have found a specially warm place in their hearts.

All the more therefore we, with all Your Majesty's loyal subjects, join in your rejoicing, and feel the sympathy which such an event as the marriage of an only and beloved daughter naturally calls forth.

We pray for the blessing of God upon her and her husband, and upon Your Majesty, Her Majesty the Queen, and all the members of your family. And we pray that as a sovereign devoted to the cause of civil and religious liberty Your Majesty may long be spared to reign over a united, prosperous and happy people.

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

The Queen and I have much pleasure in receiving the congratulations of the Body of English Presbyterian Ministers in and about the cities of London and Westminster upon the occasion of the marriage of our dear daughter, and we thank you for the loyal and dutiful Address which you present on their behalf.

It is a great gratification to us to know that our daughter's interest in works of social service has endeared her to many, and we are touched, too, by the kindly reference which you make to the Queen and Myself and the efforts we have made to show our sympathy with our people in the sufferings and sorrows which the nation has passed through.

We thank you very heartily for your good wishes for the happiness of our daughter and her husband; and we join with you in rejoicing that their home will be in their own country.

#### CITY OF LONDON.

TO THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTIES,

We, Your Majesties' most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London in Common Council assembled, desire to approach the Throne to offer to Your Majesties our sincere and hearty congratulations on the marriage of Your Majesties' beloved daughter, Her Royal Highness Princess Mary, with Viscount Lascelles, D.S.O.

Entertaining a deep and affectionate interest in all that concerns the domestic happiness of the members of your Royal House, we especially rejoice that Her Royal Highness has chosen as her husband an English soldier, and that her future life will be spent in this country amongst Your Majesties' devoted subjects.

That Almighty God may shower every blessing upon their marriage, and that it may bring added comfort and happiness to Your Majesties during many years, is our earnest and sincere prayer.

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

The Queen and I thank you my Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of London in Common Council assembled, for your loyal and dutiful Address of Congratulation upon the occasion of the marriage of our dear daughter, and for the expression of your good wishes for a happy married life for her and our son-in-law.

We are proud of your reference to her husband's gallant military career and we rejoice with you that their home will be made in our beloved country.

It is very gratifying to me to receive this further testimony of the interest always shown by the City in the fortunes of my House, and I earnestly hope that the ties of mutual affection which unite me and my Family with the Citizens of London may be maintained and strengthened.

#### CITY OF EDINBURGH.

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,

We, the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the City and Royal Burgh of Edinburgh, in our own name and as representing the citizens of the ancient capital of Scotland, respectfully offer to Your Majesty and your Royal Consort, Queen Mary, our most sincere and cordial congratulations on the occasion of the wedding of Her Royal Highness, Princess Mary, with the Viscount Lascelles.

We in common with all our fellow-subjects, hail this auspicious event with profound feelings of joy and thankfulness. It is a matter of much gratification to us that the future home of Her Royal Highness will be in these realms, and we feel sure that this union will still further strengthen the very close and intimate ties which bind your Royal House to the people of Scotland, of the British Isles, and of the Empire.

We earnestly pray that Her Royal Highness will have a long and happy wedded life.

We take this opportunity of renewing the expression of our loyalty to Your Majesty's Person, Throne, and Government.

Signed in name and by appointment of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council, and the Seal of the City affixed hereto at Edinburgh the 25th day of January, 1922.

Thomas Hutchison,  
Lord Provost.

A. Grierson,  
Town Clerk.