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FRIDAY, 1 AUGUST, 1930.

Whitehall, July 30th, 1930.

The following Address was presented to The KING by the Lambeth Conference of Bishops on the 23rd July, 1930:—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY:

WE, the Archbishops and Bishops of the Anglican Communion, now assembled in the Seventh Lambeth Conference, three hundred in number, the largest gathering of Bishops which has ever assembled on English soil, humbly desire Your Majesty's permission to express our heartfelt devotion to Your Majesty and our gratitude for Your Majesty's most gracious kindness in receiving us now.

We labour in many parts of the world, as well within as without the wide limits of Your Majesty's Empire, and we have the happiness to include in our fellowship many Bishops from the United States of America.

During Your Majesty's recent protracted and severe illness our intercessions rose from every part of the world for Your Majesty's preservation, and now as we hail with profound gratitude Your Majesty's wonderful restoration to health and activity, we revere the abounding goodness of God in the answer He has given to our prayers.

We are set to rule the fellowship of Churches committed to our care, to proclaim everywhere the Everlasting Gospel of Our Saviour Christ, to bring the influence of Christian civilization to uncivilized and semi-civilized peoples, to promote international peace, and, as opportunity comes to us, to extend in the world those principles of justice, liberty and goodwill, which are the only sure foundations of social well-being.

We have been considering in Conference the Faith and Witness of the Church in this generation. We humbly trust that our deliberations may strengthen that Faith and make that Witness more powerful, and we have sought to renew the endeavour which specially marked our Conference ten years ago to set forward the unity of all Christian people.

In these labours as in the discharge of the trust committed to us in the Church of God we are fully assured that we can ever rely on Your Majesty's sympathy and encouragement.

We invoke the Blessing of Almightly God on Your Majesty, on Her Majesty the Queen, and on every Member of Your Royal House, and are ever Your Majesty's humble and devoted Servants.

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

I thank you most sincerely for your address and for the spirit of devotion and affection which animates it. I am especially touched by the assurance of your sympathy with me in my recent illness and of your pleasure at my recovery.