

*Whitehall, August 26, 1887.*

THE following further Addresses and Resolutions of Congratulation on the occasion of Her Majesty having attained the Fiftieth Year of Her Reign, which have been transmitted to the Right Honourable Henry Matthews, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, have been laid before Her Majesty, who has been pleased to receive the same very graciously:—

To Her Most Gracious Majesty VICTORIA, QUEEN of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Beverley, in the county of York, in Council assembled, beg to present to Your Majesty, with every feeling of loyalty and respect, our sincere and heartfelt congratulations upon the attainment of the Fiftieth Year of Your glorious Reign.

We are deeply conscious of the innumerable blessings which Your subjects in every clime have enjoyed during the past half-century under Your wise and beneficent administration, and we acknowledge with gratitude the anxiety ever shown by Your Majesty for the prosperity and happiness of Your mighty Empire. We beg most respectfully to convey to Your Majesty the devoted attachment of the inhabitants of this most ancient borough; and we earnestly pray that God in His infinite wisdom may grant You many years of health and strength to reign over Your Majesty's vast dominions and to receive the ever increasing respect and admiration of a loyal and united people.

Given under the Common Seal of the said Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses, this 9th day of May, 1887.

*John Stephenson, Mayor.*

L. S.

To Her Most Gracious Majesty the QUEEN.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Borough of Dorchester, in the County of Dorset, in Council assembled, crave leave to approach Your Most Gracious Majesty on the completion of the Fiftieth Year of Your Majesty's Reign, and to add our very loyal and hearty congratulations on the auspicious event to the many like expressions of loyalty and devotion which have greeted Your Majesty from all parts of Your vast and world-encircling dominions.

Space will not permit us, in this our most loyal and dutiful Address, to recount the many gracious acts of favour and beneficence conferred by Your Majesty upon Your loving subjects during the past half century, or to do more than generally refer to the blessings of peace and to the development of national unity of feeling which have so characterized Your Majesty's government of the British people at home and in Your Majesty's numerous Colonies and Dependencies.

At the same time the historic dignity of the English nation and its capacity and mission to influence the Councils of Europe and the course of yet wider issues have not suffered in Your Majesty's hands, but, on the contrary, we are assured that much additional lustre has been added, under Your Majesty's rule, to the name of England, as the home of the free and the protector of the oppressed.

With great deference and humble respect we would refer in terms of the deepest gratitude and thanks to Almighty God to the bright example of Christian purity and virtue ever upheld and exhibited by Your Majesty, both in the domestic sphere of a devoted Wife and loving Mother, and as the honoured head of an unblemished Court.

We pray that it may please the Almighty Ruler of events to grant Your Majesty long life, and to spare to the British nation for many years yet to come a Sovereign so beloved and so worthy to retain the best affections of Her loving and devoted people.

Given under the Common Seal of the Borough of Dorchester, this 12th day of July, 1887.

*Alfred Pope, Mayor.*

L. S.

To Her Most Gracious Majesty VICTORIA, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland QUEEN, Defender of the Faith.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

THE President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurers, and Governors of the Royal Caledonian Asylum in General Quarterly Court assembled, on the 2nd day of June, 1887, under the chairmanship of Sir John R. Heron Maxwell, Bart., of Springkell, desire humbly and loyally to approach Your Majesty with feelings of sincere and heartfelt congratulations on the attainment of the Fiftieth Year of Your Majesty's prosperous and happy Reign.

This Institution has been highly favoured with the patronage of Your Royal House, its first President having been Your Majesty's revered and illustrious Father, His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent and Strathearn, while all Your Majesty's Sons have occupied the chair at the Anniversary Festivals, and since Your Majesty's accession to the Throne the Asylum has been honoured with Your Majesty's personal patronage.

To commemorate the occasion of Your Majesty's Jubilee the Governors at their Annual Court unanimously resolved "To admit without ballot all the candidates for election in June," feeling confident that this course will meet with Your Majesty's sympathetic and gracious approval.

That Your Majesty may long be spared to reign in the hearts of a loyal, happy, and contented people is the fervent prayer of all connected with this Institution.

Given under the Common Seal of the Corporation of the Royal Caledonian Asylum.

L. S.

*Bucleuch, President.*

*J. R. Heron Maxwell, Bart., Chairman.*

*Thomas Inglis, Secretary.*

And on the same subject from the following—

- Birkdale Conservative Club.
- Christchurch, Mayor and Corporation.
- Milverton (Somerset), the Portreeve, Steward, and Inhabitants of.
- Queen's County, High Sheriff and Grand Jury.
- Haverhill, Local Board.
- Golden Grove (King's County), the Orangemen and Loyalists at.
- Advocates, the Dean and Faculty of.
- Paglesham, the Inhabitants of.
- Denbigh, Justices of the Peace.