people, and that the blessings of peace and prosperity may rest upon our land is the hope and prayer of Your Majesty's devoted servants.

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

I thank you most heartily for the loyal and affectionate welcome with which you have greeted Me. It is with great pleasure that I visit again your ancient City, and find you extending your hospitality to the Show held by the Royal Agricultural Society. Agriculture is an industry which has always been of the greatest importance in our national life. Its further development has My constant interest and support; and I trust the present Agricultural Show will do much to foster a healthy spirit of enterprise amongst the farmers and breeders of the West of England.

I learn with interest of the introduction for the first time of a section illustrating the processes of agriculture in My Overseas Dominions. It is gratifying to find that this section originates in the City of Bristol, which has been so long and honourably connected with many of the Dominions, and I have no doubt that it will serve not a little to strengthen those bonds of mutual help and affection which so happily exist between the various parts of My Empire.

I have viewed with admiration the fine statue of My Father which you have erected. His efforts in the cause of peace are appropriately commemorated in a City whose chief triumphs are in the field of peaceful commerce, and I appreciate deeply the affection for His memory which that statue represents.

I shall always recall with pleasure My visits to Bristol, and pray for your continuing success and happiness.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, CIRENCESTER.

To His Most Gracious Majesty King George the Fifth.

May it please Your Majesty.

We, the Governors, Staff, and Students of the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, respectfully tender to Your Majesty our dutiful expressions of loyalty on the occasion of Your Majesty's visit to the Royal Agricultural Society's Show at Bristol, a mark of Royal Favour which gives great encouragement to all those connected with the industries of Agriculture and Forestry, on which the prosperity of Britain and the British Dominions beyond the Seas so vitally depend.

We cannot but recall with pride and satisfaction that our pioneer and premier College has enjoyed the supreme privilege of three generations of Royal Patronage, in the Royal Persons of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, His Majesty King Edward VII., and Your Majesty.

The Governors are now undertaking a Building Extension, which, they hope and believe,

will place this ancient and Royal College in the forefront of cognate Institutions in this and other Countries.

We humbly beg to assure Your Majesty of our deepest loyalty and devotion to Your Majesty's Throne and Person, and we devoutly pray that Your Majesty's beneficent reign may be long, happy and prosperous.

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

I thank you most heartily for the loyal and dutiful Address which you have presented on behalf of the Royal Agricultural College.

Founded at a time when the value of sound technical education was less generally recognised than at present, the College received constant encouragement from the Prince Consort and My Father. I am glad to follow in their footsteps, and to learn that under changed conditions the College is fulfilling with energy and efficiency the objects of its founders.

Your presence here to-day illustrates the growing influence of educational institutions upon the practical life of the Country, and productive as this influence has been in the past, I am confident that in the future it will produce still greater benefits.

I have followed with interest the scheme for the extension of the College, and I willingly accede to your request that the new Wing may be known as "King Edward's Wing," in commemoration of My Father's visit to the College in 1895. I trust that the new building will soon be completed, and thus enable you to continue and extend the good work on which you are engaged.

CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, S.W.,

8th July, 1913.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Charles Robert, Earl Spencer, G.C.V.O., to be a Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter.

WILD BIRD (ENGLAND).

The Wild Birds Protection (Administrative County of the Isle of Wight) Order, 1913.

Dated 8th July, 1913.

In pursuance of the powers conferred on me by the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, and upon application by the Council of