

intercourse of nations increased, and the welfare of Your Majesty's subjects of every race and tongue advanced. In Europe, in Asia, in Africa, and America, the ardent loyalty of many a dominion, and the peace and happiness of countless homes, testify to the blessings of Your Majesty's rule, and to the virtue of a constitutional Government which unites in a harmonious whole the freedom of the People with the might of the Throne.

The Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council pray that the evening of Your Majesty's precious life may be radiant with the love of a grateful people, and illumined by an inward sunshine springing from the consciousness of work well done in the sight of Him whose reward eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man to conceive.

To many a generation yet unborn Your Majesty's name will be transmitted as a fragrant inheritance ever fresh and fair; whilst in our own northern land the future mothers of our race, as, following the example of their progenitors, they learn their children to lisp the name of Your great ancestor the Bruce, will also teach them to cherish the image of a Queen who, by her words, her works, the purity of her Court, and the beauty of her life, recalls to the conscience of the world the grand eulogium of Holy Writ, "And she did that which was right in the sight of the Lord."

That Your Majesty may yet be long spared to rule over a free and loving people is the devout prayer of the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council of Dundee, and of all its citizens.

Sealed with the common seal of the City and Royal Burgh of Dundee, and signed in name and on behalf of the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council, and by their authority.

H. M'GRADY,
Lord Provost.

THOS. THORNTON,
Town-Clerk.

L. S.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, Your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Keeper, Deputy-Keeper, Commissioners, and other Members of the Society of Writers to Your Majesty's Signet in Scotland, humbly approach the Throne, and offer our heartfelt congratulations on the completion of the sixtieth year of Your Majesty's glorious and eventful reign.

We desire respectfully to express our appreciation of the benefits and blessings which the nation has enjoyed during Your Majesty's long reign, and our loyal sense of the extent to which these have arisen from the personal influence, the exalted qualities, and the noble example of Your Gracious Majesty.

We humbly renew the expression which we have made on former occasions of our affectionate devotion and reverence for Your Majesty, and we earnestly pray that, by the Divine blessing, Your Majesty may, for years to come, continue to reign in health and strength over a great and free

nation, and in the hearts of a loyal and loving people.

Signed in presence and by appointment of a General Meeting of the Society of Writers to Your Majesty's Signet at Edinburgh, on the 31st day of May eighteen hundred and ninety-seven.

MONTROSE,

Keeper of the Signet.

CHAS. B. LOGAN,

Deputy-Keeper of the Signet.

L. S.

TO HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY
QUEEN VICTORIA.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, the President and Council of the Royal Scottish Academy assembled here at Edinburgh, desire most humbly and loyally to tender to Your Majesty, on behalf of all the members of the Royal Scottish Academy of Painting, Sculpture, and Architecture, our sincere and heartfelt congratulations upon Your Majesty having attained the sixtieth year of Your Most Gracious and Illustrious reign—an event unprecedented in the annals of our history.

We also beg most humbly to express the earnest hope that it may be granted to Your Majesty to continue yet for many years a reign, which, by the peace and prosperity which have characterised it, has so greatly tended to the development and advancement of art in all its branches, and has in so many ways conferred inestimable benefits upon all classes of Your Majesty's subjects throughout your wide dominions.

We are, and continue to be, Your Majesty's most faithful, loyal, and devoted subjects.

Signed on behalf of the Royal Scottish Academy.

GEORGE REID,
President.

GEORGE HAY,
Secretary.

L. S.

And the following on the same subject from:—

The Delegates to the Inter-University Conference of the Students' Representative Councils of the four Scottish Universities.
The Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce.
The Scottish Women's Liberal Federation.
The Inhabitants of the Stewartry of Kirkcubright and of the Burghs therein.
The Council of the County of Kinross.
The Scottish Branch of the National Thrift Society.
The Directors of the Royal Aberdeen Hospital for Sick Children.
Moderators, Ministers, and Elders of the Free Church of Scotland in the Province of Moray.
Chamber of Commerce and Manufacturers in the City of Glasgow.
Perth City and County Women's Liberal Association.
Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of the Burgh of Musselburgh.
President and Fellows of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow.