

the University of London on the happy fruits of its efforts for raising and maintaining a high standard of liberal Education during the sixty years of its life, which dates almost from My Accession."

Whitehall, July 12, 1897.

**T**HE following Addresses and Resolutions of Congratulation to the Queen on the occasion of Her Majesty completing the Sixtieth Year of Her Reign; having been transmitted to the Right Honourable Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., 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 The QUEEN.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the County Council of Durham, respectfully venture to approach Your Majesty with an expression of our loyal and hearty congratulations on the completion of the Sixtieth Year of Your happy Reign.

Deeply sensible of the wisdom and beneficence with which Your Majesty has governed Your vast and widespread Empire, and of the great increase in prosperity which has been enjoyed by Your Majesty's subjects since Your Majesty's accession to the Throne, We beg humbly to assure Your Majesty of our heartfelt sense of the many blessings which this country has experienced under Your rule, and of our loyal devotion to Your Person.

Signed by order and on behalf of the County Council of Durham, this 20th day of June, 1897.

Arthur Pease,  
Chairman.

L. S.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Ancient and Royal Borough of Salford, desire most respectfully to approach Your Majesty with sincere felicitations that Almighty God has vouchsafed to Your Majesty prolonged life and health to complete the Sixtieth Year of Your Majesty's beneficent reign over a loyal and contented people.

The innumerable benefits which we have enjoyed during Your Majesty's long reign in the developments of trades, manufactures, and commerce, in the cheapening of the necessaries of life, and in the extension of personal and national liberty by legislation in Municipal and Imperial Government have inspired in us sentiments of contentment and happiness.

Moreover, we have been privileged during the same period to see achieved many other triumphs on the line of progressive civilization. Education, in its elementary forms, has become the heritage of all the children of our land, affording them ample opportunities to rise from elementary to higher grade and technical instruction.

Art, Science, Philosophy, and Literature have, by progressive steps, exercised their elevating influence in the higher culture of the people. Human suffering, in its physical forms, has been greatly alleviated by the marvellous strides made in Medicine and Surgery.

Religion, philanthropy, and social goodwill have permeated the land so largely during Your Majesty's unparalleled reign that every village

and hamlet show evidences of their ameliorating influence. We therefore unite in the universal prayer offered up by all the loyal subjects of Your Majesty's vast Empire, that Your Majesty may yet enjoy in health and strength a further extension of years to reign over Your Majesty's faithful, dutiful, and loving subjects.

Given under our Common Seal, this 2nd day of June, 1897.

Richard Mottram,  
Mayor.

Saml. Brown,  
Town Clerk.

L. S.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of Your Majesty's Justices of the Peace of the County of Southampton, in Quarter Sessions assembled the 21st day of June, 1897:—

*May it please Your Majesty,*

WE, the Magistrates of the Court of Quarter Sessions for the County of Southampton, humbly offer to Your Majesty our heartfelt congratulations on the Sixtieth Anniversary of the beneficent reign with which it has pleased Almighty God to bless Your Majesty and the Empire. That Your Majesty may be long spared to rule over a grateful and loyal people in health and prosperity is our fervent prayer.

Melville Portal,  
Chairman of Quarter Sessions.

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble, loyal and dutiful Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Premier Cinque Port and County Borough of Hastings.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the Premier Cinque Port and County Borough of Hastings, the Corporation of the Borough, in Council assembled, desire to tender to Your Majesty our heartfelt congratulations upon the attainment of a Sixty Years Reign, an event which is almost unique in the history of Europe.

We acknowledge, with feelings of the deepest gratitude, the prosperity and advancement which the Empire has enjoyed under Your Majesty's beneficent rule, and the extension of the great principles of Christianity; the improvement in the condition of the people and the wonderful development in the fields of science and literature, which are such marked features of Your Majesty's reign.

We also heartily congratulate Your Majesty on the great development and expansion which have taken place in various parts of Your Colonial Empire, during Your Majesty's reign.

We recall, with pride and pleasure, the honour which was done to the borough by the visit, during girlhood, of Your Majesty, for the benefit of health.

We humbly pray that Your Majesty may be spared for many years to reign over a happy, contented, and prosperous People, and that the richest blessings of Almighty God may abound to Your Majesty, the Royal Family, and all Your Majesty's subjects.

Given under our Common Seal this 21st day of June, 1897.

Stanley T. Weston, Mayor.

Ben. F. Meadows, Town Clerk.

L. S.