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FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 1904.

Westminster, April 28, 1904.

This day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by His Majesty, for declaring His Royal Assent to the Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

Army. (Annual) Act, 1904. Wild Birds Protection Act, 1904.

London Chatham and Dover Railway Act, 1904. Young and Bell's Patents Act, 1904. Appleby Corporation Gas Act, 1904. Southend Waterworks Act, 1904.

Downing Street, April 27, 1904.

The KING has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Hugh Clarence Bourne, Esq., M.A., Barrister-at-Law, to be Colonial Secretary of the Island of Jamaica.

Whitehall, April 28, 1904.

The following Addresses were presented to His Majesty on the occasion of Their Majesties calling at Holyhead, on the 25th April, on Their way to Ireland:

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

We, the County Council of Anglesey, desire to tender to Your Majesty and our Most gracious Queen Alexandra expressions of our loyalty and duty on the occasion of Your Majesties passing through our County.

We humbly acknowledge with thankfulness the great interest and care which Your Majesties manifest towards all classes of Your subjects in J

all portions of Your extended Empire, and it is our devout trust and prayer that the Almighty may be pleased to extend to. Your Majesty and our Most gracious Queen many years of health and happiness and a long reign over a devoted people attended with peace and prosperity.

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

" I thank you on behalf of the Queen and Myself for the loyal Address which you have presented to Us on the occasion of Our passing through your County on Our way to Ireland. "Your good wishes for Our health and happi-

ness afford Us the greatest gratification, and I shall always maintain the warmest interest in the welfare of My faithful subjects in this portion of My dominions.

To Their Most Excellent Majesties King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra.

The humble Address of the Chairman and Members of the Holyhead Urban District Council and the Inhabitants of the District of Holyhead.

May it please Your Majesties,

We, the Chairman and Members of the Holyhead Urban District Council, on behalf of ourselves and of the inhabitants of the said District, desire to accord to Your Majesties a most hearty welcome to our town and neighbourhood on the occasion of Your passing through on Your way to Ireland.

We rejoice that Your Majesties have been graciously pleased to give us this opportunity of renewing our assurances of loyalty and devotion to Your Throne. There are many inhabitants in the town of Holyhead who look back with much pleasure to a previous occasion, when, with our late beloved Sovereign Queen Victoria, His Majesty the King availed Himself of the opportunity of seeing some of the places of interest in and near the town of Holyhead; and we, Your Majesties' faithful subjects, would be much pleased and honoured if His Majesty, with our gracious Queen, would renew His acquaintance with our town on the next occasion when in Wales.