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The following Addresses were presented to His Majesty on the occasion of Their Majesties' visit to Alnwick, on Tuesday, the 10th of July:—

To Their Most Excellent Majesties King Edward the Seventh and Queen Alexandra.

May it please Your Majesties.

We, the Justices of Northumberland, in Quarter Sessions assembled, beg permission to associate ourselves with the welcome to the county offered to Your Majesties by His Grace the Lord Lieutenant, on the occasion of the visit of Your Majesties to Alnwick Castle.

We further wish individually to avail ourselves of the opportunity to give renewed assurance of our loyal devotion to the Throne, and of our grateful recognition of the benefits resulting to the Empire from the influence which Your Gracious Majesties have ever been ready to exercise in favour of peace abroad and prosperity and happiness at home.

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

"I thank you on behalf of The Queen and Myself for your loyal address of welcome.

"It has given Us great pleasure to visit different portions of your beautiful and interesting county. It is inhabited by persons of all classes and of very varied occupations, and this diversity of population must often add to the difficulties of an administration of justice at once firm and sympathetic. I have always felt that the unpaid magistrates of this country merit grateful recognition for the services which they render to the State, and for the zeal and impartiality with which they perform their numerous and ever-increasing duties.

"I fully appreciate your kindly reference to My efforts in the cause of peace."

To The King and Queen's Most Excellent Majesties.

May it please Your Majesties.

We, the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Aldermen and Councillors of the county of Northumberland, in Council assembled, humbly desire to be permitted to express to Your Majesties the profound gratification which the honour of Your visit to this ancient county confers on all classes of its inhabitants, and respectfully to offer to Your Majesties a very loyal and hearty welcome in their name.

The people of Northumberland entertain a lively sense of the blessings which, under Divine Providence, have accrued to them from the rule of their beloved Sovereign and His illustrious Predecessors, and yield to none of Your Majesty's subjects in their keen appreciation of the gracious interest and practical sympathy exhibited by Your Royal Consort in everything affecting the welfare of all sections of the community, and in particular of the sick and of the poor.

That Your Majesties may long reign in health and happiness over a peaceful and prosperous Empire is the heartfelt prayer of those whom we have the privilege of representing in the administration of local affairs.

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

"On behalf of The Queen and Myself, I thank you for the loyal address of welcome which you have handed to Me, and for the beautiful and appropriate casket in which it is contained.

"We have been much impressed by the enthusiastic reception accorded Us, and We shall long remember with the highest gratification the cordiality of a North-country greeting.

"The beautiful scenery for which your county