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The following Address was presented to the King on Monday, the 20th July, at Buckingham Palace, when Their Majesties received the Archbishops and Bishops attending the Lambeth Conference:—

*May it please Your Majesties,*

We, Archbishops and Bishops gathered together at Lambeth from every part of Your Majesty's dominions, from the United States of America, and from Mission Fields in all quarters of the world, desire respectfully to convey to Your Majesties an assurance of the earnest prayer which we offer to Almighty God that health, peace, and happiness may rest upon Your Majesties and upon all the Members of the Royal House.

We meet in these decennial Conferences, in the fifth of which we are now taking part, to consider how we may further upon earth the advancement of the Kingdom of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and enable His Church more effectually to devote itself to setting forward among men whatsoever things are pure and just and true.

As Ministers commissioned to preach the Gospel of Peace, we note, Sir, with special thankfulness the importance which is attributed throughout the world to the beneficent and effective influence which Your Majesty has personally exercised in the promotion of International friendliness and peace.

As Ministers of Him who healed the sick and had loving care for the poor, we acknowledge with gratitude the practical and sustained interest which Your Majesties have taken during many years in encouraging the support and improvement of Hospitals for the sick and suffering.

We are well assured that the unwearied care and effort with which Your Majesties enter into

every good work, following the great example of the Sovereign who has passed away since last we thus approached the Throne, spring from a deep and earnest sympathy with all who are in trouble and distress, and we are assured that with one heart Your Majesties will ever bring to the service of the poor and the afflicted that power for their help which has been entrusted to you by Almighty God.

That He may vouchsafe in fullest measure His heavenly blessing to Your Majesties and to the Royal House, and that Your Majesties' beneficent lives may be prolonged for many years is the earnest prayer of those who have the honour to present to Your Majesties this Address.

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

"The Queen and I thank you most heartily for your warm expression of good wishes, and for your cordial recognition of My efforts in the cause of peace, and of the interest We take in measures for alleviating sickness and suffering. These objects, I assure you, will ever have Our earnest sympathy and co-operation.

"Conferences of Archbishops and Bishops, gathered from all quarters of the world, must tend to maintain and increase the spirit of true religion, and must, therefore, be powerful influences for the promotion of peace and charity.

"I am touched by your reference to My Beloved Mother, Queen Victoria, and I recall Her gratification with the message sent to Her by the last Conference, nearly eleven years ago.

"I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your work, and that a safe return may be granted to those of you whose ministry is in My Dominions beyond the Seas and in foreign lands."