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FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 1909.

Whitehall, August 4, 1909.

The following Address was presented to the King on His Majesty's arrival at Watford, on Saturday, the 17th July:—

Address of the Watford Urban District Council.

To His Most Excellent Majesty King Edward the Seventh.

May it please Your Majesty,

We, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Chairman and Members of the Watford Urban District Council, beg to offer Your Majesty our most humble and cordial greetings on your arrival at the Grove.

We recognise with deep gratitude the inestimable blessings of peace which Your Majesty's beneficient sway has bestowed on the people of Great Britain as on those of Your dominions over the sea.

We have noted with grateful and increasing appreciation Your care and consideration for all classes of Your Majesty's subjects, and we earnestly pray that perfect health and unalloyed happiness may long continue to be Your Majesty's lot in life.

Given under the Common Seal of the Watford Urban District Council this 17th day of July, A.D. 1909.



R. A. THORPE, Chairman: H. MORTEN TURNER, Clerk.

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

"I thank you for your loyal and dutiful Address, and for the good wishes you express.

"It is gratifying to Me that My subjects appreciate My efforts in the cause of Peace. I am convinced that it is only through Peace that the highest moral and material progress of the nation can be secured."

Whitehall, August 4, 1909.

The KING has been pleased to give and grant unto James Haines, Esq., Controller of the Direct Taxes Department of the Egyptian Government, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority to accept and wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Imperial Ottoman Order of the Medjidieh, conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorised by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered by him.

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order, St. James's Palace, July 31, 1909.

The KING has been graciously pleased, on the occasion of the Review of the Fleet by His Majesty in the Soleut, to make the following promotions in, and appointment to, the Royal Victorian Order:—

To be Knights Grand Cross:

Admiral Sir Arthur Dalrymple Fanshawe, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth. Admiral Sir William Henry May, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., Commander-in-Chief, Home Fleet.

To be Commander:

Commodore Archibald Gordon Henry Wilson Moore, M.V.O., Captain of the Fleet.