

country, the tunnels by which you have united the two sides of the river, the great parks which you have provided for the recreation of the people, are works of lasting public utility of which you and the officers who have worked for you may well be proud.

"I desire to assure you of My confidence in the successful continuance of your work in every department, and in the maintenance of that high standard of public spirit which has rendered you worthy to preside over the destinies of the great Metropolitan County."

Whitehall, June 13, 1910.

At the conclusion of the City's audience of His Majesty at St. James's Palace, the Lord Mayor was received by Queen Alexandra at Buckingham Palace, and there presented to Her Majesty the following Addresses:—

To Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

We, the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London, humbly approach Your Majesty with feelings of profound grief to offer to Your Majesty our sincere and heartfelt condolence on the great loss Your Majesty, the Royal Family and the Empire have sustained by the lamented death of His late Most Gracious Majesty, King Edward VII.

The feelings of devoted attachment which the people of these realms have so long entertained for Your Gracious Majesty, and the place which by Your virtues and amiable conduct as Queen, Wife and Mother You have filled in their hearts, they trust will be a source of consolation to Your Majesty in the heavy bereavement which with such painful suddenness it has pleased God to visit You and the Members of Your Royal Family.

We recall the unremitting and exemplary solicitude shown by Your Majesty not only in this last but on previous occasions on which His late Majesty was afflicted by severe illness and when the nation was deeply stirred by Your self-sacrificing devotion, and we desire to assure Your Majesty that sentiments of the highest respect, affection and gratitude for the earnest interest You have evinced in support of His late Majesty's endeavour to promote the happiness of the people of Your country will ever be retained by them.

We fervently pray that under Divine Providence Your Majesty may be strengthened to endure the great affliction with which You have been visited, and that Your Majesty may long be spared to continue to afford in Your exalted station an example of those virtues for which you are so distinguished.

Signed by Order of the Court,

JAMES BELL, Town Clerk.

To Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

We, the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London in Common Council assembled, humbly approach Your Majesty with feelings of profound sorrow to offer to Your Majesty our heartfelt sympathy in the irreparable loss Your Majesty, the Royal Family, and the Empire have sustained by the lamented death of His late Most Gracious Majesty King Edward the Seventh.

During the many years of Your Majesty's wedded life, as Princess and Queen Consort, the people of these Realms have, with sincere and ever-increasing love and gratitude, watched and appreciated the sympathetic and loyal help You rendered to His late Majesty in His noble efforts to further the cause of charity and the welfare of His people, whilst the anxiety You have shown in the education and happiness of Your Royal Children, and Your exemplary devotion to His late Majesty in His severe illnesses, have enshrined Your Majesty in the hearts of the people.

That Divine consolation may be given to Your Majesty to bear with resignation the great bereavement You have sustained is the earnest prayer of a devoted people.

Signed by Order of the Court,

JAMES BELL, Town Clerk.

To which Addresses Her Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious Answer:—

"I am deeply touched by the Addresses of condolence which you have handed to Me. It is some consolation to Me in My terrible bereavement to feel that the heart of the great City of London goes out to Me, that I possess their sympathy in My overwhelming grief and that they so fully understand My deep sense of the irreparable loss which has befallen Me. I am sincerely grateful for the kind words of your Addresses, and I trust that you will convey to the Aldermen and Common Council My heartfelt thanks."

At the Court at *Saint James's*, the 11th day of *June*, 1910.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This day His Royal Highness Prince Arthur Frederick Patrick Albert of Connaught, K.G., G.C.V.O., was, by His Majesty's Command, introduced into His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and His Royal Highness took his place at the Board accordingly.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Saint James's*, the 11th day of *June*, 1910.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This day the Earl of Aberdeen, K.T., G.C.M.G., and the Earl of Selborne, K.G., G.C.M.G., were sworn as members of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took their places at the Board accordingly.

*Almeric FitzRoy.*

At the Court at *Saint James's*, the 11th day of *June*, 1910.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This day the Right Honourable Francis, Baron Knollys, G.C.B., G.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., I.S.O.; Lieutenant-Colonel The Honourable Sir William