

rest of Your Majesty's Commissioners of Lieutenancy for the City of London, humbly crave leave to approach the Throne and express to Your Majesty our most profound feelings of regret at the lamented demise of our late much-beloved Sovereign King Edward the Seventh.

We beg most humbly to offer our expressions of condolence on the irreparable loss which Your Majesty has sustained by the death of a loving Father and Friend; and which Your Majesty's August Family have suffered by the removal of its illustrious Chief, while we desire also to express to Your Majesty the sense of the deep sorrow which will long be felt by the nation and the British Empire in the loss of a wise and beneficent Sovereign whose great qualities have wrought incalculable advantage to them and to the world at large during all too short a reign.

It is our duty and earnest desire at the same time to approach Your Majesty with expressions of our most sincere congratulation on Your Majesty's Accession to the Throne and to assure Your Majesty of our constant loyalty and attachment to Your Majesty's Person. We hail with the highest satisfaction the Accession of a Prince Whose wide knowledge of the Empire cannot fail to be of inestimable benefit to His subjects and Who has shown His desire to support the constitution and the liberty of the subject; and we humbly pray that the Almighty may bless Your Majesty together with Her most gracious Majesty the Queen Consort with all earthly happiness and the loyalty and affection of a prosperous and contented people.

By order of the Court,

CHARLES F. MONCKTON, Clerk.

DEAN AND CHAPTER OF WESTMINSTER.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster.

*Most gracious Sovereign,*

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster, humbly approach Your Royal Person with our condolence for the great loss which Your Majesty and the nation have suffered from the demise of our late good and gracious Sovereign.

Yet while we express these feelings, it is our consolation to reflect that, by the blessing of God, the public welfare is still protected, and the Throne of these Dominions stands secure, through a legal and a cherished succession.

We beg to congratulate Your Majesty on Your Succession to a Throne which through the virtue and wisdom of Your beloved Father stands more than ever secure in the affections of the people; and we pray that Your Majesty (together with Your Royal and excellent Consort) may long continue to hold it, and to maintain those principles in Church and State which have always been its best and surest support.

Dated in our Chapter House at Westminster, this eleventh day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ten.

J. ARMITAGE ROBINSON, Dean.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH OF GREAT BRITAIN.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

The Committee of Privileges, appointed by and representing the Wesleyan Methodist Church of Great Britain, begs most respectfully to represent to Your Majesty its profound sense of the loss which has been sustained not only by Your Majesty and the Queen Consort, the Queen Mother and the Royal Family, but also by the whole British Nation and Empire in the death of His Majesty King Edward VII.

The Committee desires on behalf of the Wesleyan Methodist Church to express profound thankfulness to Almighty God for the gifts which He bestowed on the late King, and for the grace which enabled His Majesty to fulfil the onerous duties of His exalted station with rare devotion and enduring advantage to the Empire.

The Committee would especially recall the tender sympathy ever manifested with the poor and the afflicted, and the priceless service in the cause of international peace and goodwill which gave His Majesty a foremost place among the Leaders and Benefactors of the world.

The Committee would further assure Your Majesty of the affectionate loyalty of the Methodist people to the Throne and Person of Your Majesty, and of their fervent prayers to Almighty God that He will grant to Your Majesty comfort in the present sorrow, and all needful strength and guidance in the fulfilment of the duties of the illustrious position to which He has been pleased to call Your Majesty.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

WILLIAM PERKINS, President of the Wesleyan Methodist Conference.

ENOCH SALT,

PERCY WILLIAM BUNTING,

Secretaries of the Committee of Privileges of the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCHES OF ENGLAND AND WALES.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

*May it please Your Majesty,*

We, Your Majesty's faithful subjects, the members of the National Council of the Evangelical Free Churches of England and Wales, approach Your Majesty, on Your Accession to the Throne, with our deep sympathy in Your bereavement and with the assurance of our personal affection and of our loyalty to the Crown. We pray that Your Majesty's reign may be as illustrious as that of Your late Father, King Edward VII, and that the great objects for which the Council exists, the development of the moral and spiritual interests of the community, may find still more extended opportunities during Your Sovereignty.

In our good wishes and prayers we shall ever associate Your beloved Consort, the Queen Mary.

On behalf of the National Council, Your Majesty's obedient and humble servants,

J. H. JOWETT, President.

Memorial Hall, London, E.C.