

Fellows, and Masters of Our Royal College of Eton.

The warmth of your greeting is in harmony with the loyalty of your ancient Foundation. We thank you for your words of sympathy and encouragement. We count upon you to serve Us still further by fostering in those committed to your care a standard of manliness, knowledge, courtesy, and public spirit which will not be unworthy of the renown of Eton.

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SCHOLARS AND OPPIDANS OF ETON.

To Their Most Excellent Majesties The King and Queen.

*May it please Your Majesties,*

We, the King's Scholars and Oppidans of Your Royal College and School of Eton, humbly beg leave to approach Your Majesties with the assurance of our most loyal devotion, and with heartfelt gratitude for the honour so graciously accorded to us in Your presence amongst us to-day.

Eton, under the favour of successive Sovereigns, has ever been the nurse of loyal sentiments. In this our generation those sentiments have been, if possible, quickened to a greater strength when, as at present, in the hearts of the English people, there is one unanimous desire for the prosperity and welfare of their King and Queen.

We humbly offer to Your Majesties a welcome to Eton to-day, and express a hope that in the future this Royal Foundation may continue to enjoy the same meed of gracious favour to which it has owed its existence and its prosperity in the days that are past.

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

I thank you on behalf of the Queen and Myself for the Address of Welcome which has been read to Us from the King's Scholars and Oppidans of Eton College and School.

It is a great pleasure to Us to visit Eton again and to receive, so soon after the solemn ceremony of Our Coronation, the assurance of the loyalty and devotion to the Crown which is one of the firmest traditions of your School.

Here you enjoy many advantages in the education you receive and in the circumstances of your lives. The British Empire requires at the present time hard service from all its sons. It requires the hardest service from those to whom most has been given. You will, I am sure, in the course of your lives lose no opportunity of rendering service to your Country and to the Nation. Those opportunities occur in times of peace as often as in times of war. By seizing them and turning them to the fullest account you will be able to take your part in the work which My people have to do all over the world, and so continue to send out from these historic walls men as great and as useful as those who have gone before.

I shall always take a keen interest in Eton, not only in memory of its ancient Royal Foundation, but as a neighbour and a friend. I am confident that in future you will never forget that upon you rests the responsibility

of upholding the honour of Eton and her world-wide fame.

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ETON URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

To Their Most Excellent Majesties The King and Queen.

*May it please Your Majesties,*

We, the Members of the Eton Urban Council, beg to approach Your Majesties with an expression of our loyal congratulations on Your Majesties' Coronation, and of our earnest hope that Providence may bestow health and happiness on Your Majesties and the Royal Family and peace and prosperity on the whole Kingdom and Empire.

Living under the shadow of the Royal Fortress of Windsor, we are specially sensible of the great influence for good exercised by the example which Your Majesty's Royal Predecessors have set to many generations of their subjects, and we devoutly pray that Your Majesty's reign may under Providence be equally beneficial to Your Majesty's loyal and loving subjects, and equally cheered to Your Majesties by the affectionate devotion of a united and grateful people.

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

We thank you sincerely for this kindly expression of your congratulations and good wishes.

Your Address is a further proof, if any were needed, that there is no abatement in the warmth of the friendship that has always subsisted between the Sovereign and the people of Eton. You may rest assured that your welfare will always be the subject of Our earnest solicitude.

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At Windsor Bridge the following Address was presented to Their Majesties:—

THAMES CONSERVANCY.

To Their Most Excellent Majesties.

The Humble Address of the Conservators of the River Thames.

*May it please Your Majesties,*

We, Your Majesties' loyal and faithful subjects, the Conservators of the River Thames, humbly approach Your Most Gracious Majesties, and respectfully assure You of our dutiful and hearty congratulations on the occasion of Your Coronation.

The River Thames has for centuries past been associated historically with the Sovereigns of this Kingdom, and that part of the river between Cricklade and Teddington over which we now exercise jurisdiction still maintains its great popularity as the pleasure resort of a vast number of Your Majesties' subjects, on whose behalf we desire to express our deep sense of thankfulness for the concern You have always shown in their welfare and happiness.

We humbly beseech Almighty God that