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TUESDAY, 25 JULY, 1911.

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Whitehall, July 18, 1911.

The following Addresses were presented to Their Majesties on Saturday, the 15th instant, on the occasion of Their visit to Aberystwyth to lay the foundation-stone of the National Library of Wales:—

BOROUGH OF ABERYSTWYTH.

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

We, the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Aberystwyth, in the county of Cardigan, desire to offer Your Majesty a most sincere expression of our loyal devotion and attachment to you and Her Gracious Majesty the Queen, and to extend to Your Majesties and Their Royal Highnesses the Prince of Wales and Princess Mary a most hearty welcome on Your visit to perform the important function of laying the Foundation Stone of the National Library of Wales.

The town of Aberystwyth has taken a most prominent part in the Welsh education movement, of which the establishment of the University of Wales is one of its chief results, and in the year 1896 His late Majesty King Edward

VII (then Prince of Wales) was installed as its Chancellor in this town—the home of the first University College of Wales. That memorable visit is still ardently cherished in the hearts of the Welsh people, and the remarkable success of the University of Wales is in great measure to be traced to the encouragement it received from the generous and kind patronage and protection of the late King.

We most respectfully desire to present our heartfelt congratulations to Your Majesties upon Your Coronation, and also to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales upon his Investiture in the ancient Castle of Carnarvon, which we regard as a token of the continued interest of the Royal Family in the welfare of the Principality.

Your Majesties may be assured that this historic occasion will of necessity intensify the loyalty and devotion of the Ancient Cymric Race to the Royal Dynasty, and will stimulate it to still greater efforts in the future to realise its highest and noblest aspirations.

We earnestly hope that Your visit to the shores of Cardigan Bay will be a source of pleasure to Your Majesties and to Their Royal Highnesses. We fervently pray that, under the blessing of Almighty God, you may be long spared to rule over us and to carry out the