

respecting citizenship ought to be formed, great numbers of English youths are now condemned to the demoralization of continuing idleness. We believe that the revival of the national industries by providing employment would not only improve the material conditions of our people but also arrest the danger of the moral deterioration of the young which is becoming only too apparent. We are confident that Your Majesty's Government will continue to use every effort to find a solution for this most urgent problem. We cannot conclude our Address to Your Majesty without directing attention to the tragic and ever waxing urgency of the need for more and better houses in our great industrial centres. We believe that a principal cause of the social unrest is the discomfort and degradation inflicted on large numbers of the people by the wretched conditions under which they are compelled to live. Family life in any tolerable sense is rendered impossible by overcrowding. The morals of the young are endangered by it and the whole standard of Citizenship is lowered by the practical disappearance of the home over large areas of civic life.

The Church in this Northern Province continues in spite of many difficulties to do its utmost to bring to the people the strength and stay of faith in God and in the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We thank Your Majesty for the example of dutifulness which from the altitude of the Throne has been steadily presented to Your people ever since Your Majesty was called to reign over us. We have been comforted and strengthened in our labours by the knowledge that we always possess the sympathy and support of our Sovereign. We pray always that the blessing of Almighty God may rest abundantly on Your Majesty's Person, Home and Realm.

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

It gives me great pleasure to receive this loyal and dutiful Address from Your Grace and the Bishops and Clergy of the Province of York, in Convocation assembled.

I join with you in praying that Almighty God may be pleased to give His Blessing to those men of goodwill who are earnestly striving to secure the peace of the world. To that end I heartily agree with you as to the importance of maintaining between ourselves and the Allied Peoples, especially France and the United States of America, those ties of friendship and co-operation so greatly strengthened by the common endurance of the hardships and perils of war.

I share your confidence in the ability of the League of Nations to foster that spirit of reliance on right and forbearance, instead of suspicion and armed strength, and thus to contribute effectively towards the establishment of Peace on a firm and lasting foundation.

Throughout the land, the terrible effects of continued unemployment are alas! only too apparent. My Ministers are devoting their full energies to remedy this, the greatest of our domestic problems; and I earnestly trust that, under God's guidance, their endeavours may be blessed with success.

The conditions arising from the shortage of houses, to which you refer, are also receiving

the unremitting attention of my Government.

I am fully sensible alike of the difficulties confronting the Church and of the manner in which they are being overcome. May the Blessing of The Almighty ever rest on you and your labours.

*Crown Office, House of Lords,
26th February, 1924.*

The KING has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, dated the 15th February, 1924, to appoint Bernard Arthur William Patrick Hastings, Earl of Granard, K.P., G.C.V.O., to be Master of His Majesty's Horses during His Majesty's Pleasure.

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS AND TREASURY BONDS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 7th March, 1924, at 1 o'clock, for

(a) Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the War Loan Acts, 1914-1919; and

(b) £4 per cent. Treasury Bonds, repayable at par on the 15th April, 1933.

2. The maximum amount of Treasury Bills and Treasury Bonds to be issued will be £30,000,000. The amount of Treasury Bonds issued will not exceed £3,000,000, but subject to that limit the total amount issued will be divided between Bills and Bonds in such proportions as Their Lordships may determine.

TREASURY BILLS.

3. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000 or £10,000. They will be dated at the option of the Tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 10th March, 1924, to Saturday, the 15th March, 1924, inclusive, and will be payable at three months after date.

4. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

5. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000, and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated, and the net amount per cent. (being an even multiple of one penny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

4% TREASURY BONDS, 1933.

6. The Bonds will be in denominations of £50, £100, £200, £500, £1,000 and £5,000. They will be exempt from Corporation Profits Tax and will, as indicated in the Notice of 5th October, 1923, rank *pari passu* with those issued under the Prospectus of the 23rd March, 1923. They will be dated at the option of the Tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 10th March, 1924, to Saturday, the 15th March, 1924, inclusive, the first dividend, payable on the 15th April, 1924, will represent in the case of each Bond interest to that date from the date of the Bond.