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TUESDAY, 9 JUNE, 1925.

Whitehall, June 5, 1925.

The following Addresses were presented to The KING on Saturday, the 30th ultimo, on the occasion of the opening by His Majesty of the New Great West Road.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

The Loyal and Dutiful Address of the Council of the Administrative County of Middlesex.

May it Please Your Majesty:—

We, The Chairman, Aldermen and Councillors of The County Council of Middlesex, desire respectfully to express our keen sense of the honour conferred by your Majesty upon the Council and their County in graciously consenting to preside at the Opening of the new Great West Road.

Your Majesty's presence is the more appreciated in that it affords us a welcome opportunity of expressing our thankfulness at the restoration of your Majesty's health as the result of your recent voyage.

Of the numerous arterial road schemes promoted by the Highway Authorities of the country in conjunction with the Ministry of Transport, the road now to be opened is one of the earliest in its origin, the Act for its construction having been passed in 1914 to alleviate the inconvenience caused by the narrow western exits from London. Progress was delayed by the Great War, and the magnitude of the scheme has since been increased by an extension to the Staines Road, and by an

addition to the width of the highway. Much work has thus been found for the unemployed, and it is hoped that the road in its present form will add to the dignity as well as the convenience of the Metropolis, besides promoting the orderly development of the County of Middlesex.

We venture to regard your Majesty's visit as a recognition of the high value attaching to this great scheme of public improvement, and as an encouragement to those engaged in providing traffic facilities for the present generation and their descendants.

We humbly desire to tender to Her Majesty The Queen our warmest thanks for Her gracious presence here to-day, and for the evidence thus afforded of Her Majesty's sympathetic interest in all questions affecting the public welfare.

We pray that your Majesty may long be spared to reign over the Realm, and to enjoy the continued devotion, loyalty and goodwill of its people.

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

On behalf of the Queen and myself I tender you our most cordial thanks for your loyal and dutiful Address. The heartiness of your welcome adds to our pleasure in taking part in this afternoon's ceremony, which marks the conclusion of a notable enterprise reflecting great credit upon the foresight of all concerned.

Although much of what was rural in your County has been absorbed by urban districts,