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Whitehall, April 3, 1936.

The following Addresses were presented to His Majesty at Buckingham Palace on Thursday, the 2nd instant:—

CONVOCAATION OF CANTERBURY.

ADDRESS TO HIS MAJESTY THE KING.

TO THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY,

We, Your Majesty's loyal and faithful subjects, the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy of the Province of Canterbury assembled in Convocation on January 22nd, the day of the Proclamation of Your Majesty's accession to the Throne, approach Your Majesty with dutiful assurance of our devotion to your Royal Throne and Person.

It is with full hearts that we exercise our ancient privilege of addressing Your Majesty on the opening of a new Convocation. Not forty-eight hours have elapsed since our late beloved King breathed his last. Our first impulse must needs be to offer to Your Majesty, to the Queen and to all the Members of the Royal House our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of sorrow and bereavement. It is our hope that Your Majesty may find strength and comfort in the knowledge that the grief of the Royal Family is shared by countless multitudes of Your Majesty's subjects in every quarter of the globe.

And yet, in the midst of sorrow, we are filled with a sense of profound thankfulness for all that we owe to our late beloved Sovereign. For over twenty-five years, with his faithful Consort at his side, he laboured unceasingly

to maintain the prestige of the British Monarchy and to serve with single-hearted devotion the people committed to his charge. His achievement was to bequeath to his successor a stable Throne; to win the loyalty and the love of a united people was his richly merited reward.

Standing as we do on the threshold of a new Reign and looking out into the future, we rejoice to remember the conspicuous and varied services which Your Majesty has already rendered to this Realm and Empire and the secure place which you have already won in the affection of your people at home and overseas. It is with hearts full of hope that we wish Your Majesty Godspeed as you enter upon the arduous duties and manifold responsibilities of your exalted station. We commend to your favour and protection the Church which we represent and its endeavour to make the Christian religion a living power in this and other lands.

At this solemn moment in the history of our country we desire to assure Your Majesty of our resolve to sustain you with our allegiance and to surround you with our prayers. We shall ever pray that the Holy Spirit may guide you throughout the coming years, and that the Blessing of Almighty God may rest upon Your Majesty, upon the Queen, and upon every Member of the Royal House.

(Sgd.) COSMO CANTUAR,
President.

D. H. S. CRANAGE,
Prolocutor.

22nd January, 1936.