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THE following Message received through the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES from HIS MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE KING is published for general information :—

“To my People beyond the Seas :

“The countless messages of loyal sympathy which I have received from every part of my Dominions over the seas testify to the universal grief in which the whole Empire now mourns the loss of my beloved Mother. In the welfare and prosperity of her subjects throughout Greater Britain the QUEEN ever evinced a heartfelt interest. She saw with thankfulness the steady progress which under a wide extension of self-government they had made during her reign. She warmly appreciated their unfailing loyalty to her Throne and Person, and was proud to think of those who had so nobly fought and died for the Empire’s cause in South Africa.

“I have already declared that it will be my constant endeavour to follow the great example which has been bequeathed to me. In these endeavours I shall have a confident trust in the devotion and sympathy of the people and of their several Representative Assemblies throughout my vast Colonial Dominion. With such loyal support I will, with God’s blessing, solemnly work for the promotion of the common welfare and security of the great Empire over which I have now been called to reign.

“Windsor Castle, February 4, 1901.

EDWARD R. AND I.”

By His Excellency the Governor’s command,

Colonial Secretary’s Office,
Colombo, February 5, 1901.

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

THE following telegram received from the SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES is published for general information :—

“I had the honour to lay before HIS MAJESTY THE KING your telegram of 4th February, reporting the Address of the people of Ceylon to HIS MAJESTY. The KING desires me to express his warm gratitude to his people in Ceylon for this eloquently worded Address of sympathy with him in his bereavement and of loyalty to his Throne and Person.”

By His Excellency the Governor's command,

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Colombo, February 6, 1901.

W. T. TAYLOR,
Acting Colonial Secretary.