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To Their Majesties The King-Emperor and his Consort, and to the other Members of the Royal Family, the representatives of the British Empire assembled here for the re-opening of the British Empire Exhibition tender their Loyal Homage and Affectionate Greeting.

On this anniversary of your Majesty's proclamation as King-Emperor we recall with thankfulness the devoted leadership which you have given to your peoples during years of great trouble and anxiety. We trust that in the years to come peace will reign in your territories, and the growing development of your Empire will bring prosperity to all your subjects.

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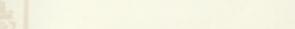
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"79th Farewell to Gibraltar"

MASSED BANDS ... QUICK MARCH

"Old Comrades" Ticke

MASSED BANDS QUICK MARCH

"With Sword and Lance" Starke

MASSED CHOIRS CHORUS

"A Festival Chime" Gustav Holsi

MASSED DRUMS & PIPES ... MARCH

"The Pompadours" Stanley

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MASSED BANDS

Entry of Guards of Honour

"Hearts of Oak"

"Life on the Ocean Wave"

"The Royal Air Force March"

"St. Pairick's Day"

"Paddy's Rescurce"

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MASSED BANDS QUICK MARCH

The Contemptibles" Stanley

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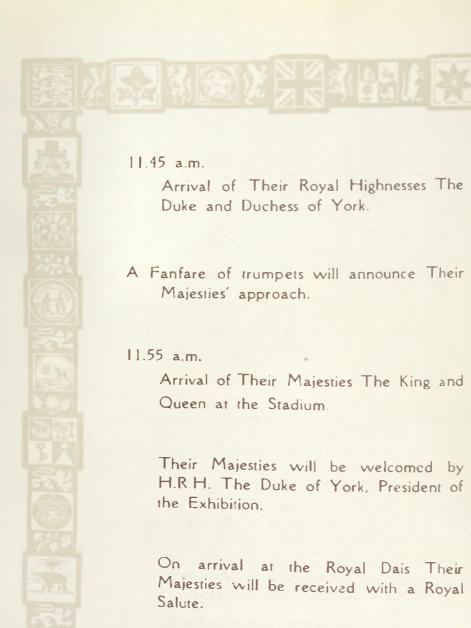
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Massed Choirs from London and St. George's Chapel, Windsor, the Massed Bands of the Brigade of Guards, the Pipers of the Scots Guards and Irish Guards, and the Drums and Fifes of the Brigade of Guards will play a programme arranged by Dr. Charles Macpherson and the Directors of Music of the Brigade of Guards.

Guards of Honour of the Royal Navy, the Royal Marines, the Army, the Royal Air Force and the Territorial Army, with the Massed Bands of the Brigade of Guards, will be mounted in the Stadium.

Representatives of the Dominions and Colonies will be posted at each end of the Royal Dais.

Detachments from Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, The Territorial Army Nursing Service, The Royal Hospital School, Greenwich, The Duke of York's School, The Royal Hospital, Chelsea, The Boy Scouts Association, The Sea Scouts Association, and The Girl Guides Association will be posted North and South of the Royal Dais.



H.R.H. The Duke of York will read an

will read a gracious reply.

address to The King, to which His Majesty



AN EMPIRE COLLECT

Almighty and Eternal God, cur Heavenly Father, Ruler of all the world, we praise and worship Thee, gloricus in Majesty, Power and Eternity.

We gray Thee to look down in Thy love and mercy upon our Empire and send down upon it Thy Blessing, so that it may be itself a source of Blessing to all mankind,

Grant us sound government and just laws, charity and justice in our relationships one with another.

Purge the cities of our Empire from those sources of corruption which have so often made sin profitable and made hard the way of uprightness. Breathe a new spirit into all our lives, that we may gird ourselves for the work of the new day. Give our leaders a fresh vision of the future of this Empire and set their hearts on fire with great ideals.

Raise up generations of cublic men who will have the faith and daring of the Kingdom of God in them, and who will enlist for life in a holy warfare for the freedom and rights of all Thy children.

Grant this, O Heavenly Father, for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, Whom Thou didst send to die for us, and who rose again, and Who now lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Faiher, Which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory, for ever and ever, Amen.

"Fight the Good Fight," sung by the Massed Choirs.

MASSED CHOIRS

Chapel Royal St. James, St. George's Chapel Windsor, St. Paul's Cathedral, The London Church Choirs Association, and other Choirs from London Churches.

Dr. Charles Macpherson, Mus. Doc., A.R.C.M., F.R.C.O.

Accompanied by the Pand of the Royal Military School of Music.

Director of Music: Lieur. H. F. ADKINS, Mus. Bac.

His Majesty The King opens the Exhibition, which will be announced by:

A Fanfare of Trumpets.

An Artillery Salute of 21 Guns.

A Salute by a Squadron of Aeroplanes of The Royal Air Force.

The breaking of the Union Jack, Dominion and Colonial Flags.

The Massed Bands will play a Slow Troop and a Quick Troop.

Slow Troop — "Operatic" Meyerbeet
Quick Troop /El Abanico" Javaloyes

Lady Anne Cavendish, daughter of His Grace
The Duke of Devonshire, K.G., will have
the honour of presenting a bouquet to
Her Majesty the Queen.

Representative Detachments of the following Services will enter the Stadium:

The Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

The British Red Cross Society.

The College of Nursing.

The Royal British Nurses Association

The Mercantile Marine.

The Railways.

The General Post Office.

The Metropolitan City and County Police.

The London Fire Brigade,

The Massed Bands will play:

"Mandalay" Frankiin

The Massed Choirs will sing:

"Land of Hope and Glory" Elgar

The Audience are requested to join in singing the last verse.

Departure of Their Majesties.

"Rule Britannia" and Royal Salute

The Massed Bands will play:

"The Mad Major" Alford

Guards of Honour March Out.



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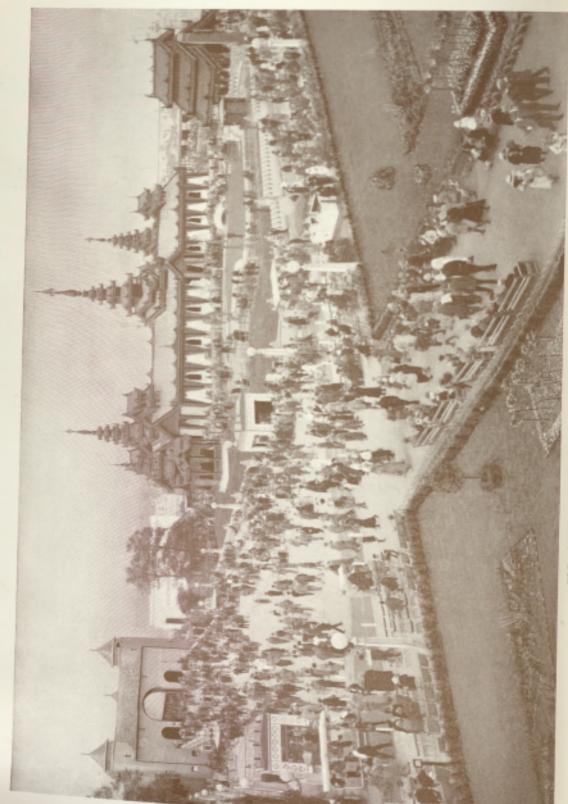
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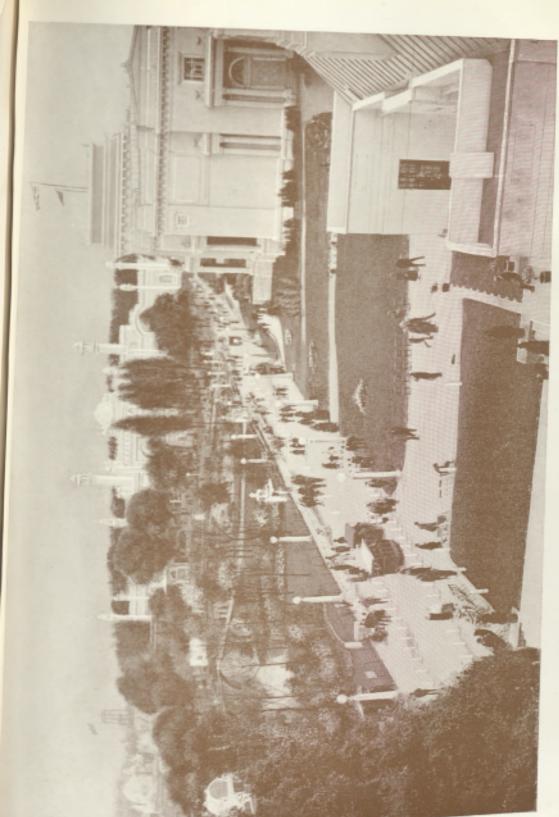
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