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THE ALPINE CLUB'S ADDRESS TO THE KING, AND HIS
MAJESTY'S GRACIOUS REPLY.

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To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

MAY it please Your Majesty,
We, the members of the Alpine Club, beg to be permitted to express to Your Majesty the profound grief which we, in common with Your Majesty's subjects all over the world, feel at the death of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and to offer to Your Majesty our respectful condolences in so irreparable a bereavement.

In the long roll of the Sovereigns of England there has been none who commanded in equal measure the confidence and love of Her subjects, for they venerated Her not only as a model of the virtues which adorn private life, but also as having shown a splendid example of the nobility of purpose and conscientious devotion to duty which add lustre to the most exalted positions.

We beg to be further permitted to assure your Majesty of our loyal attachment to Your Person. We are warmly sensible of the value to those who are engaged in the work of observation and exploration of the sympathetic interest which Your Majesty has always shown in that advancement of Science and of Orographical discovery which have so marked the late reign. And we desire to express our fervent hope that Your Majesty, whose deep concern for all that touches the welfare and the happiness of the Nation has long been known and appreciated, may see the greatness of England maintained during many years to come, and may find in the trust and the love of a free people the firmest

support of the most ancient and stately of European thrones.

Signed by order and on behalf of the Members of the Alpine Club,

JAMES BRYCE, President.

H. G. WILLINK, Vice-President.

F. O. SCHUSTER, Vice-President.

A. L. MUMM, Hon. Secretary.

Home Office, Whitehall, 29th March, 1901.

Sir,—I am commanded by the King to convey to you hereby His Majesty's thanks for the Loyal and Dutiful Resolution of the Members of the Alpine Club expressing sympathy on the occasion of the lamented death of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and congratulation on His Majesty's Accession to the Throne.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

CHAS. T. RITCHIE.

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THE GRAND CAÑON OF THE COLORADO RIVER.

By TEMPEST ANDERSON.

(Read before the Alpine Club, February 12, 1901.)

I HAD long dreamed of a holiday in the Far West, but had always been deterred by the distance and by the length of time involved. However in the spring of 1900 I resolved to make the attempt, so I wrote to my friend Professor Davis, of Harvard, for information. I got the inspiring reply, 'If at all possible come at once and join a small party of geologists who start in a fortnight to explore the Grand Cañon region.' Here was the chance of a lifetime, so I made most rapid preparations, packed my photographic apparatus, and caught the 'Lucania' for New York, where I arrived with two or three days in hand. If I had been a day sooner I should have had time to go to the South and photograph the total eclipse; but it could not be done, so I filled up the time by visiting Washington. I lunched at the mess of the Geological Survey, and heard from several who had just returned the account of their yesterday's eclipse experiences, which were extremely interesting and exciting. The party included such men as Gilbert, the explorer of many parts of