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

At a meeting of the Alpine Club held on June 7 the following resolution was passed unanimously,

Resolved that the members of the Alpine Club beg to be permitted to express to his Most Gracious Majesty King George V. the profound sorrow which they feel at the death of their late beloved Sovereign King Edward VII. of blessed memory and to offer to his Majesty and his Majesty's Royal House their respectful and sincere sympathy in this sudden and irreparable bereavement.

They beg also to be permitted to assure his Majesty of their loyal attachment to his Majesty's Throne and Person.

They recognise with warm appreciation that his Majesty's example as a world-wide traveller, and the deep interest his Majesty has always shown in geographical research and discovery, cannot fail to encourage those engaged in mountain exploration to maintain the high traditions of British enterprise in this field of activity.

They desire further to express their earnest hope that his Majesty may long be preserved to rule over a devoted and affectionate people and to carry on the noble work of their late Sovereign King Edward VII. of blessed memory in all that concerns the welfare and happiness of the nation and the empire.

Resolved, further, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded

to the King's Private Secretary with a request that it be laid before his Majesty.

Home Office, Whitehall: August 4, 1910.

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 their sympathy with his Majesty on the occasion of the lamented death of his late Majesty King Edward the Seventh and congratulation on his Majesty's accession to the Throne,

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
WINSTON S. CHURCHILL.

THE HON. SECRETARY :
Alpine Club, 23 Savile Row, W.

THE ALPINE CLUB'S ADDRESS TO QUEEN ALEXANDRA AND HER MAJESTY'S GRACIOUS REPLY.

At a meeting of the Alpine Club held on June 7 the following resolution was passed unanimously,

Resolved that the members of the Alpine Club beg to be permitted to express to her Majesty Queen Alexandra the profound sorrow which they feel at the death of his late Majesty King Edward VII., whose glorious memory will ever be cherished, throughout the Empire, with affection and gratitude.

Deeply sensible of the great kindness and sympathy her Majesty has unfailingly shown towards their fellow-subjects in the hour of affliction, they beg further to be permitted to offer to her Majesty their respectful and heartfelt condolence in the sad and irreparable loss that has befallen her Majesty, the Royal Family and the Nation.

Resolved further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Queen Alexandra's Private Secretary with a request that it may be laid before her Majesty.

Home Office, Whitehall: August 4, 1910.

SIR,—I am directed by the Secretary of State to inform you that the resolution of condolence of the members of the Alpine

Club on the death of his late Majesty King Edward the Seventh has been laid before Queen Alexandra, whose thanks I am to convey to you.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
(*Sgd.*) EDWARD TROUP.

THE HON. SECRETARY :
Alpine Club, 23 Savile Row, W.

AN ATTEMPT ON MOUNT ROBSON.

BY L. S. AMERY.

(Read before the Alpine Club June 7, 1910.)

MY object to-night is to give you a brief account of a very interesting, though not altogether successful, trip which Mr. Hastings, Mr. Mumm and myself made in the northern portion of the Rocky Mountains last summer. I shall not attempt to give you a general dissertation on the Rockies; there are many members of the Club who are much more competent to do so than I am, and indeed I might run some risk of giving serious offence to the Club if I did not assume that most of its members were on terms of perfect familiarity with the main features of that great mountain chain. Though a comparatively new range geologically, the Rockies are no social upstarts. Nearly twenty years ago a friend of mine was walking in the Park behind an elderly dowager who was accompanied by a young scion of our ancient aristocracy, when he overheard the following words, which have remained deeply engraved on his memory ever since: 'Yes, Gerald, you are perfectly right to go to the Rockies; all the best people go to the Rockies nowadays.' But another friend assures me that the vogue of the Rockies is even older, and has drawn my attention to what he considers a conclusive passage from Dickens. In the eighth chapter of 'Our Mutual Friend,' Mr. Lightwood, addressing Mr. Boffin, remarks as follows: 'Inasmuch as every man appears to be under a fatal spell which obliges him sooner or later to mention the Rocky Mountains in a tone of extreme familiarity, I hope you'll excuse my pressing you into the service of that gigantic range of geographical bores.' The fatal spell in my case, gentlemen, was your secretary's command. I only hope when I have finished