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OUR QUEEN—GOD BLESS HER.

EVERYWHERE throughout the world-wide dominions of our beloved Queen-Empress, the minds of her loyal subjects have been for months past turned towards the coming celebration of the Sixtieth Anniversary of her Coronation, and the words "Diamond Jubilee" have been echoed and re-echoed in resolutions and addresses. On Sunday, the 20th of June instant, throughout the world will be sent up to Him—by whom Kings reign—the sincere thanksgiving of her subjects, of every color and in every clime, for His special mercy and benediction in the gift and life of such a Sovereign. One who has not only held the loving loyal fealty of her own subjects, but has commanded the respect and admiration of the nations of the earth. Well indeed may thanksgiving reign in every heart and be confessed by every tongue in words of prayer and praise addressed to Him, who has heard and answered the Church, oft repeated supplication of England's and of Englishmen—e'en in their feasts—

"God bless our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen."

A hearty and unanimous "Amen" will, we are sure, be given by all our readers to the resolution adopted at the morning meeting of the C. M. S. in Exeter Hall, London, last month: "This meeting devoutly prays that all God's richest blessings, for this world and the next may rest upon the head of our beloved Sovereign." Such has been the prayer of England's Church and of all its many Colonial branches in the more beautiful words of the Prayer Book from the moment of her accession to the throne and such it will be so long—and may it be yet many years—as God may continue this His benediction to the Nation and Empire.

NATIONAL HYMN FOR THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE.

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O King of kings, and Lord of lords,
Before Thy Throne we bow:
Queen of the land, and subjects all,
With grateful hearts aglow;
From Albion, India, East and West,
Who own Victoria's sway,
We come as one with heart and voice
To bless Thy Name to-day.

Victoria, "by the Grace of God,"
Came to our favored throne;
All she hath been—all she hath done
Was by that Grace alone;
To Thee, to Thee the praise is due,
To Thee our thanks are given;
Acclaim and honor be to her,
But more of praise to Heaven.

For three-score years of such a reign,
What thanks can equal be?
For all her spousal bliss; for him,
Blest gift to her from Thee;
For heirs that yet, we pray, may hand
Her virtues on for aye,
And keep her stainless Court unstained
To Britain's latest day.

For lands her sceptre hath subdued—
Subdued to make them free;
For power that makes her standard float
Supreme on every sea;
For subjects stretching from her isle
O'er "India's coral strand,"
To western shores and southern seas,
Innumerable as the sand.

For peace, and all the victories
Its three-score years have wrought
In realms of science, commerce, art,
And in high sphere of thought:
But most for that, best gift of Thine,
The fount of all our weal,
Thy Word—of all we prize or hope,
The blessed bond and seal.

For grace and power to wing that Word
In many a heathen tongue
To lands 'neath Satan's rule, where now
Immanuel's praise is sung;
For grace to England, given to be
To farthest tribes who dwell
In Death's dark shades of hopeless night,
A greater Israel.

—C.M.S. *Intelligencer*.

ASCENSIONTIDE APPEAL, 1897.

REVEREND SIR:—It is our desire that this address from the Board of Management of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church of England in Canada be read, as a sermon or otherwise, in the hearing of every congregation in our dioceses on Sunday, May 23rd, 1897, and that the offerings of the people on the following Sunday be given to Domestic Missions.

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