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My dear Cardew,

I am desired by His Excellency to send you the enclosed letter from A. Govindaraja Mudaliar, author of "India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria-R.I.", to ask if it is proposed to order any copies of the book for Government & if so, how many.

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To

The Private Secretary
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Sir,

In forwarding herewith a copy of "Opinions" on India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria R.I. (the dedication of which has been graciously accepted by H.E. Lord Ampthill), I beg to state that the book has evoked high praise not only from their Excellencies the Viceroy & the Governors of the various Presidencies, but also from the entire Press of India; but I regret to state that the

sale of the book has been so slow that I have not yet had the good fortune to realize even one-sixth of the amount I spent on its publication. I understand that the Government of Madras has encouraged many an author by the patronage it gave them; & I shall ever feel grateful if His Excellency be pleased to extend his patronage to my book as well.

Awaiting a favourable reply,

I remain,
Sir,
Your most obed.t Servant,
A Govindaraja Mud.l

P.S.

Since writing the above, I have been favoured with an order for 50 (fifty) copies from the Bengal Government (E. Deptt) I naturally expect greater encouragement at the hands of His Excellency.

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TO

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
21st August, 1901.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant, I am desired to inform you that His Excellency Lord Ampthill has much pleasure in accepting the dedication of the book referred to. His Excellency asks me to say that he considers the book an admirable compilation and that he appreciates the feeling of loyalty which has induced you to write it.

I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) *R. H. CAMPBELL,*
Private Secretary.

Copy of a letter, dated 2nd October 1901, received from the Private Secretary to His Excellency Lord Northcote, G.C.I.E., Governor of Bombay:—

PRIVATE SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
GANESHKIND,
2nd October 1901.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 29th September 1901, I am desired by His Excellency Lord Northcote to say that your "Memorial Tribute" was a welcome indication to him of the deep interest taken by Indian gentlemen in the life of the great Queen. Your volume seems to have been compiled with care and will no doubt find a place in many Libraries.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) **C. H. A. HILL.**

Copy of a letter, dated 14th October 1901, from the Private Secretary to H. E. Lord Curzon, P. C., G. M. S. I., G. M. I. E., Viceroy and Governor-General of India:—

VICEREGAL LODGE,
SIMLA,
14th, October 1901.

Dear Sir,

The Viceroy has read with great pleasure your valuable and interesting compilation of Memorial Tributes to Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, and hopes that it may receive the circulation that it deserves.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) **W. R. LAWRENCE,**

Private Secretary to the Viceroy.

A. GOVINDARAJA MUDALIER, ESQ., B.A.

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ON

"INDIA'S MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

TO

VICTORIA, R. I."

"A Happy Idea."

We have received from Messrs. Thacker & Co., Bombay, a copy of a very handsome volume entitled "India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria, R. I.," which has been edited by Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar, B.A., with an Introduction by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, of Bombay. The book, as will be gathered from its title, is intended as India's Tribute to the late lamented Queen Victoria, Empress of India, and contains a collection of the obituary articles which appeared in all the leading newspapers in India, as well as the speeches delivered on the melancholy occasion by all the representative men in the country. It is a happy idea thus to collect in a handy form for ready reference the utterances of all classes in the huge Indian Empire which in no uncertain terms proclaimed the profound affection and veneration for the dead Queen-Empress and the country's deep devotion and loyalty to the British Throne. Newspaper articles are a useful but ephemeral method of putting on record the feelings and aspirations of the people, and the collection of this particular series will convey to the minds of coming generations the transcendent regard in which the Great and Good Queen was held by the multitudinous races of this land. The Introduction by Mr. Justice Chandavarkar is an eloquent panegyric of her late Most Gracious Majesty written by one of the leading Indians in the country. It is well compiled, well printed and handsomely got up.—*The Madras Mail.*

"On the Model of Sir Charles Lawson's Jubilee Volume."

The demise of the late Queen-Empress Victoria was the occasion for many articles in the newspapers and speeches on the public platform. The theme was one which peculiarly lent itself to the most appreciative eulogy; and we are glad that

Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar conceived and has carried out the excellent idea of making the available literature into a handsome Victoria Memorial volume, under the title of "India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria, R. I." The volume is very neatly got up and is somewhat on the model of Sir Charles Lawson's Jubilee volume. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar of Bombay has written an excellent Introduction, and Mr. Govindaraja Mudaliar has added an "In Memoriam" of his own. The volume contains most of the leading articles that appeared on the death of the Queen in the newspapers published in India. It contains the proceedings of public meetings held in all parts of India in memory of the Queen, and the speeches made in every Indian Legislative Council. There is also added a good supplementary information about the life and character of Her late Majesty, the names of all her chief Ministers and of her representatives in India. The volume is, on the whole, a very interesting and useful memorial of our late beloved Queen, who is mirrored sufficiently in the accounts published of her in the depth of the sorrow which her demise occasioned throughout the British Empire and especially in India.—*The Hindu.*

"An Interesting Record of a Great Reign."

Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar, B.A., has collected in a neat volume a selection of articles and speeches which he has entitled "India's Memorial Tribute to her late Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria, Empress of India." (Bombay: Thacker and Co.) The volume contains most of the articles printed in the English and Vernacular newspapers of India at the time of Her Majesty's death; reports of the speeches delivered at various public meetings, at the courts of justice, and at the assemblies of various public bodies; accounts of the memorial gatherings; and an appendix comprising interesting details concerning Her Majesty's life. The book is prefaced by an admirable Introduction from the pen of the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, and will form an interesting record of Indian sentiment concerning the great reign which has recently closed.—*The Times of India.*

"Noble Undertaking"—"A Distinct Service"—"Very fitly dedicated to H. E. Lord Ampthill."

Mr. A. G. Mudaliar of Madras has brought out an excellent compilation of India's tribute to the memory of Her late Majesty the Queen-Empress Victoria on the occasion of her demise. The book places together the highest encomiums and loyal tribute that were bestowed throughout the land

by a sorrowing people upon the revered and beloved memory of the gracious Sovereign, who to the Indians was the embodiment of all that was good and virtuous. Mr. Mudaliar has done a distinct service by placing in a durable form all that was said and written on the sad occasion, which would otherwise be lost to posterity, reported as they were, in most cases, in the ephemeral column of the newspaper press. The book has been very fitly dedicated to H. E. Lord Ampthill, the Governor of Madras, and its excellent get-up and superb finish must be an additional charm to prompt every loyal Indian, and for the matter of that, every worshipper of virtue and goodness, to be the proud possessor of a copy. We congratulate Mr. Mudaliar on the success of his noble undertaking, and we trust his book will find a ready reception in every educated and cultured home.—*The Bengalee.*

"A Lovely Book"—"A Handsome Tribute"—"A Homage to a Royal Memory."

"India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria, R. I.," edited by Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar, is a lovely book. It is a compilation of "tributes" that were offered in the shape of articles in the press, speeches in public meetings, sermons in churches, and other public and formal declaration on the work and the worth of our late beloved Queen. But it is itself a handsome tribute. The red binding, the gilt lettering, the Royal Coat-of-Arms over the title on the cover, the printed likeness of Her late Majesty, which serves for a frontispiece, all contribute to give a special fitness to the title of the book. There are books which are fit to be prizes for schoolboys, and this is a book which has all the look of a tribute. It does a two-fold duty. It not only renders a homage to a Royal memory, but does justice, by the treasuring up of utterances, to nearly every speaker and writer in India, European or Indian, who paid a public tribute to that memory. The editor who has collected and put into shape offerings from so many quarters, deserves the gratitude of the country.—*The Indian Nation.*

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"An Eloquent Homily—"Marvellous Excellence."

The volume is not wholly a compilation: there is a good quantity of original writing in it, of marvellous excellence, all tending to bring out in bold relief the grand yet amiable personality of the great Queen Victoria. She is there presented to view as she really was. The Queen-mother, as the embodiment of tenderness, affection and love, was not unlike the benign goddess *Durga* in that she brought plenty and prosperity and peace to the homes and hearts of her people. She has justly been styled "the mother of her people." The Introduction is a sober, scholarly, dignified composition, worthy of a staid scholar like Mr. Chandavarkar. Written in a style, simple, chaste and terse, which invariably characterises his public utterances and writings, and teeming with happy ideas, it will certainly be read with intense pleasure and, possibly, much profit. Immediately following the Introduction comes a chapter written by the editor himself, which is a powerful piece of writing. It is an eloquent homily, as it were, on the excellences of the greatest Sovereign of the age. Both breathe sentiments in regard to the Queen-Empress, which must come home to every loyal bosom in India. The greater part of the volume—nearly three-fourths of it—is a compilation consisting of (1) Newspaper articles, (2) Speeches, (3) Services and Sermons, (4) Proceedings of Memorial Meetings.

All this, and much more, have been brought together in the volume constituting what the writer of the Introduction says "the different tributes paid to the memory of our late Sovereign." Even the poems that were composed celebrating the virtues of the Queen are not neglected. There is, besides, an appreciative sketch, presenting some phases of Her Majesty's life, which is printed towards the end of the volume. The volume, therefore, abundantly shows what we did in India in honour of our Queen-mother, when the doleful intelligence of her death was flashed to our shores. Mr. Govindaraja Mudaliar has rendered—in the words of the Introduction—"a useful service to the country by bringing out in a collected form the different tributes paid to the memory of our late Sovereign soon after her lamented death."—*The Reis and Rayyet.*

"Laudable Venture."

It was a happy idea that prompted Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar to collect in book form all the leading articles that appeared in the public press on the demise of Her late Majesty, as well as the speeches delivered on that melancholy occasion by representatives of all classes throughout India. The compiler hopes that his book will serve, among other purposes, the important one of conveying to coming generations some idea of the veneration in which Victoria the Good was held by the teeming millions of this vast country. It is a well-got-up book containing a brief but readable Introduction by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chandavarkar. We wish Mr. Mudaliar success in his laudable venture.—*The Indian Spectator.*

"A Solace to H. I. M. Edward VII."—"The creme de la creme."

Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar, B.A., of Madras, has added to the vast field of literature a compilation bearing the very appropriate title, "India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria, R. I." His Excellency the Governor of Madras has been pleased to accept the dedication of the book to him. The work has an Introduction written by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. G. Chandavarkar, B.A., LL.B. Mr. A. Govindaraja deserves all the more credit for not simply aiming at originality. He did not take upon himself the task of saying something in the form of a narrative in regard to the late Queen of happy memory of whom very little indeed could be said that is new when there are volumes upon volumes of printed matter that have been already issued from the Press. But he has shown good taste and acumen in compiling together the *creme de la creme* of up-to-date references to the late Queen of England and Empress of India, culled from the leading papers which came out with their tributes on the occasion of Her late Imperial Majesty's demise which was a source of grief common to all. Mr. Govindaraja has also written some articles himself which breathe of sympathy and loyalty, and we are glad to see them appear, above his signature, among the newspaper articles carefully put together. The book is really a medium of expressing the feelings of Her late Imperial Majesty's Indian subjects on the grievous loss they have sustained by the death of a really good and noble Queen. It is hoped by the author, and we hesitate not to say, not vainly too, that the book will serve as a symbol of India's profound affection and veneration for our late Sovereign who was not only a Queen but a Mother to our people. It also voices the feeling in a concentrated form of India's deep devotion and loyalty to the British Crown. The

book also serves to contain an abundant record of the grateful appreciation of a grateful people of the many blessings they have received during Her Majesty's long and beneficent sovereignty. As remarked in the preface, there is no doubt that a perusal of the pages of Mr. Govindaraja's compilation cannot but convey to the minds of generations that are yet unborn, the transcendent regard in which the Great and Good Queen was held by the multitudinous races of this land. It cannot also fail to prove a solace to Edward VII., the reigning monarch, who has reason beyond measure to hold the memory of his dear mother sacred. In conclusion, we congratulate the author on his enterprising undertaking. The cause is a good one, unselfish in its nature, loyal and generous, and therefore the book ought to find a place in many households.—*The Mandalay Herald.*

"Nothing but praise for the work"—"A Labour of Love"—"Makes an admirable present to Friends."

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"The Record of the Event"—"Extremely interesting to the future Historian."

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book entitled "India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria, R. I." There is a well-written Introduction by Mr. Justice N. G. Chandavarkar, of the Bombay High Court, and a portrait of Her Majesty serves as the frontispiece. To bring in the mass of matter rather small type has been employed; but everything of importance seems to be included, and this record of the event which affected India so intensely ought to be useful, as it will certainly be extremely interesting to the future historian of India. Lord Ampthill has accepted the dedication of the work.—*The Civil and Military Gazette.*

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This publication, prepared in the memory of our late Queen, is significant not so much for its literary merits, or for its political importance, as for its manifestation of the affectionate, loyal and sorrowful feelings of an intensely conservative people, venerating without reserve and without limit the Sovereign of an intensely insular people, divided from them in language, religion and history.

The volume reflects great credit upon its editor, Mr. Mudaliar. The Introduction, by Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, is well-written and succinctly describes the salient characteristics which marked the life of our late Queen, and portrays the feelings of reverence, affection and devotion in which she was held by her Indian subjects. The articles from different journals of India are all well-chosen and well-edited. They bear clear evidence to the universality of the grief felt in India. All controversy was hushed, all sectional differences put away, and all divergent opinions set aside. Not a discordant voice was heard, nothing but sorrow and grief prevailed. All newspapers, whether Anglo-Indian or Indian, whether Conservative or Liberal, with one and one heart lamented over the calamity that befel the great Empire of India.—*The Advocate of India.*

"Leaves nothing to be desired."

It was indeed a happy idea on the part of Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar to bring out in a collected form the various articles in the newspapers and the speeches made on platforms on the late Queen-Empress. He has carried it out in a manner which leaves nothing to be desired. He justly calls the volume "India's Memorial Tribute to Victoria, R. I." Mr. Justice Chandavarkar introduces the book to the public in an eloquent Introduction in the course of which he writes: "No distinction of political party, no difference of religious profession marred the universality of this feeling of devoted affection for her Throne and her person. It was a remarkable phenomenon, the spectacle of an oriental and intensely conservative people venerating without reserve and without limit the Sovereign of an intensely insular people divided from them in language, religion and history. The secret of this unique phenomenon lay in the fact that Queen Victoria was a universal woman. As a poet, Shakespeare appeals by the universality of his genius to all people and to all times, so she, by the universality of her sovereign sympathies, drew to herself the hearts of all who acknowledged her sway, and the homage of very many who did not." Truthful words, well expressed. Mr. Mudaliar's industry has placed within the reach of all the various tributes paid in India to the memory of the great Queen, and we congratulate him on his work and the manner in which he has accomplished it. The book is published by Messrs. Thacker & Co., Bombay.—*The Madras Standard.*

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The get-up of the book, which has been published by Messrs. Thacker and Co., of Bombay, leaves nothing to be desired, and the beauty of the volume has been much enhanced by the impress of the Royal Coat-of-Arms on it. We are glad to find reproduced in the volume before us,—which for reasons stated above deserves to be widely read not only in India but in Europe as well, particularly in the United Kingdom,—by far the greater

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portion of our obituary article on the demise of our late Sovereign, which appeared in our issue for January and February 1901.—*The Kayastha Samachar.*

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beloved Mother-Queen, each seeming to vie with the rest, nay, to eclipse them, in its exuberance of demonstration of unbounded love and loyalty, truly and proverbially Indian.

Though a work involving trouble and patient labour to Mr. Mudaliar as to all loyal hearts it can ever but be, it has been a labour of love to cull out the choicest and the most valuable expressions given vent to, as the first offering of a fervent and grateful nation for their departed Queen, after the sudden panic and consternation into which the nation had been thrown had but a little subsided. Then, her Indian children began to feel the force of all that they had lost in their bereavement, and then poured forth all those spontaneous effusions that our author has taken pains to gather in a nutshell.

Verily, the author has given us here a treat of no common order, a treasure-house stored full indeed but all of one coin, genuine praise and ungrudging loyalty to our Queen-Mother, who has passed away and yet lives, in her goodness and sympathy to high and low, in her impregnable virtue, and in the temple of her children's hearts.

In his able Introduction to the volume, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chandavarkar says: "It is not easy to say anything new of our Queen-Empress. Her life was lived in the open day and full glare of the light that beats upon a throne. Whatever record has leapt to light, she never has been shamed." "The one ruling guide and principle that seemed to have influenced her throughout her long lease of life was that she never forgot that the attention of the nation was concentrated in her, and the majesty of her queenly state was never allowed to obscure the finest instincts of womanhood." Afflictions sore her human lot it was to suffer in life, but none weighed her down from her path of public duty.—*The South Indian Mail.*

"Well-penned and has the true ring."

The book will be welcome, as a glance through its printed pages will show how universal and deep was the feeling of passionate sorrow, of love and loyalty stirred up by the death of the good Empress. The short Introduction by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, of Bombay, and the two chapters "In Memoriam" and "India in Mourning" by the editor are well-penned, and have the true ring. Lord Ampthill has accepted the dedication of the book, which we hope may have the sale it deserves.—*The Madras Times*

"An excellent answer to those who sweepingly assert that India is not loyal."

We have received a neatly compiled book of 230 pages, with index, by Mr. A. G. Mudaliar, of Madras, concerning the death of the Queen, and the events in India which followed it. It consists of the leading articles of more than fifty newspapers; speeches delivered by the Viceroy, Governors, representative Indians, etc.; sermons, anecdotes, and poems. Although well-bound, the price of the book is only Rs 3, or with paper covers Rs. 1-4. Lord Ampthill, Governor of Madras, has accepted the dedication of the book, and states that he considers it an admirable compilation and appreciates the feeling of loyalty which induced the publication of it. There is a special Introduction by the Hon. Mr. N. G. Chandavarkar, one of the Judges of the Bombay High Court. Ceylon figures in the book by the reproduction of the leader in the *Times of Ceylon* on the day the death of Her late Majesty was announced, and also further on, by a full reproduction of the historic memorial service on Galle Face. There should be a sale for the book in Ceylon, for it is an excellent answer to those who sweepingly assert that the inhabitants of India are not, at heart, loyal.—*The Times of Ceylon.*

"Deserves to be read by every Indian."

This is a book compiled and edited by Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar, B.A. The Hon. Mr. N. G. Chandavarkar B.A., LL.B., has written a brief, and yet very interesting, Introduction to this book. This book contains a collection of leading articles of many of the prominent newspapers in India. It also embodies in itself speeches of the highest eloquence delivered on the melancholy occasion by the highest and the best representative men of India. It also contains the tributes of sorrow and respect that found vent in the Legislative Council meetings in Calcutta, Bombay and Madras, to say nothing of those delivered at the public meetings in almost all the important towns of India and Ceylon and the High Courts of Calcutta, Madras, Allahabad, Bombay and Burma. The speeches delivered by His Excellency the Viceroy and others at the great meeting at the Town Hall, Calcutta, on the occasion of considering the necessity of raising a National Memorial are so full of interest and edification that nobody who rises from a perusal of these pages can forget, that in the death of the departed Queen they have sustained a loss which can never be replaced and that their departed Sovereign was such an embodiment of social, moral and political virtues, that it is impossible to find the like of her among the galaxy of Sovereigns

that adorned the ancient or modern world. An appendix is added to this book which contains the speech of His Majesty the King-Emperor of India, His Majesty's message to India, His Excellency the Viceroy's condolence, together with some phases of Her Majesty's life and some anecdotes which show the unparalleled excellence of her life and character. The concluding portion of the book contains the Queen's Gracious Proclamation of 1858 which forms, as it were, the Magna Charta of the rights and liberties of Her Majesty's Indian subjects. The get-up of the book is as excellent as the matter which it embodies. In contains in a nut-shell the virtues of a sovereign whose control over the destinies of the British Empire was as great as it was beneficial, and the length of whose rule has never been equalled by that of any other British Sovereign in the past. Mr. A. Govindaraja Mudaliar has shown by the compilation of so much matter and the editing of such a valuable book, the deep sense of sincere loyalty that animates the Indian instincts, and we congratulate him upon the success that has attended his noble efforts in this direction. This book has, by permission, been dedicated to H. E. the Governor of Madras. It is a book that deserves to be read by every Indian, and we hope that the English-reading public in India will profit by this publication.—*The Mysore Herald.*

"A Book of considerable merit."

This is a book of considerable merit giving a detailed narrative of the life and actions of the late Sovereign Queen Victoria of beloved memory, and we have no hesitation in saying that the eminent writer has carried out his task with characteristic ability. In the work before us opportunity has been taken to display the very rare qualities possessed by the good Queen, her fostering care and zeal for her Indian subjects, her well-known virtues and, in short, everything that contributed to render Her Most Gracious Majesty in every sense of the word, a Great Queen. It contains personal details of the late lamented Sovereign and introduces the reader into the varied scenes of her private life which must only be read to be admired. Numerous anecdotes and short stories about the Queen are given at the end of the book and are so graphically told that they cannot fail to attract the attention of the reader. Much of course has been said and written about the Good Queen, but this does not render the present work superfluous. The book contains over 200 pages and is adorned by an excellent portrait of the Queen on the frontispiece. It is also beautifully printed and got up, and as the price is moderate it ought

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Mr. A. G. Mudaliar, the Editor of the book, deserves great credit for the pains he has taken in collecting and embodying in one volume the innumerable outpourings of grief experienced by the people of this country, when the sad news of the demise of the late Queen-Empress reached India. The book contains the choice extracts from the various important journals of India, touching the irreparable loss sustained by the great British Empire. It also contains the speeches that were made and the sermons that were delivered by the highest in the land and by the representative men of the country on the melancholy occasion. Thus, though the book does not claim to be an original production, still the fact does not, even in the least, detract from its value as a very important publication. For, as its very title signifies, it is the most fitting literary tribute of the whole nation to the late lamented Queen Victoria, Empress of India. It bears an eloquent testimony to the intense sorrow and grief experienced at the sad calamity, and thereby enables one to judge of the loyalty of our people to the British throne and the noble person of the Sovereign. The articles from the leading newspapers bear clear evidence to the universality of grief felt in India.

Along with other things, the book contains an Introduction beautifully written by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chandavarkar, which describes the salient characteristics that marked the life of our late Queen-Empress, and faithfully portrays the feelings of reverence, affection and devotion in which her Indian subjects held her. The Editor himself has written certain articles, of which that of "In Memoriam" is written almost in a poetic fashion and reflects great credit on the ability of the writer. He also gives in this volume some important facts relating to the long and glorious reign of the late Empress, for the general information of the reader.

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We are very glad to learn that H. E. the Governor of Madras has been pleased to accept the dedication of the valuable book.—*The Kathiawar Times.*

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The Indian press notices of the obituary and the life of the good Queen, anecdotes, public and private meetings and speeches on the occasion of the demise of Her late Majesty are thoroughly representative in every point, and most instructive reading and information, and we commend the book to all.—*The Kasim-ul-Akhbar.*

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The book is intended as India's Tribute to the late lamented Queen Victoria, Empress of India. It contains among other things a collection of the leading articles of many important newspapers in India, as also the speeches delivered on the melancholy occasion by the representative men of the country. The volume is most respectfully offered to His Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VII., Emperor of India, as a humble token of the heartfelt sympathy of the Indian people in his sad bereavement. It is needless for us to mention that the book will be found a most valuable addition to one's library.—*The Times of Assam.*

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