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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 153.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government directs the publication of the following telegrams received to-day.

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,  
*Acting Colonial Secretary.*

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 5th May, 1886.

*From*

THE PRINCE OF WALES

*To*

THE GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG.

In forwarding proceedings of opening ceremony of Colonial and Indian Exhibition by Her Majesty this day, I should be glad if you would publish them in special issue of *Gazette*.

COLONIAL AND INDIAN EXHIBITION.

*Address by His Royal Highness the Executive President, to Her Majesty The QUEEN on the occasion of the opening of the Exhibition.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—As Executive President of the Royal Commissioners appointed by Your Majesty's Royal Warrant of the 8th of November, 1884, for the promotion of an Exhibition of the British Colonial and Indian Empire, subsequently incorporated by Her Majesty's Royal Charter of the 10th September, 1885, I humbly beg leave to lay before you a brief statement of our proceedings up to the present time.

The general interest manifested in the display made by Your Majesty's Colonial and Indian Empire at the Paris Exhibition of 1878 led me, as President of the British Commission, to express a hope that an opportunity might soon occur by which Your Majesty's subjects in England would be enabled to witness the marvellous development which, under your beneficent rule, their brethren and fellow subjects had attained throughout so many portions of the globe. It was therefore with the highest gratification that I accepted Your Majesty's gracious invitation to assume the executive Presi-

gency of this Commission, the appointment of which by Your Majesty has been the means of making this here a reality. The invitation which we were empowered by Your Majesty to issue to the

Ode on the opening of the Colonial and Indian Exhibition  
by Lord TENNYSON, Poet Laureate.

Welcome, welcome, with one voice  
In your welfare we rejoice,  
Sons and brothers, that have sent  
From Isle, and Cape, and Continent,  
Produce of your field and flood,  
Mount, and mine, and primal wood,  
Works of subtle brain and hand,  
Splendours of the morning land,  
Gifts from every British zone.

Britons hold your own.

May we find, as ages run,  
The mother featured in the son;  
And may yours for ever be  
That old strength and constancy,  
Which has made your fathers great  
In our ancient Island State;  
And, where'er her flag may fly,  
Glorying between sea and sky,  
Makes the might of Britain known.

Britons hold your own.

Britain fought her sons of yore,  
Britain failed, and never more  
Careless of our growing kin  
Shall we sin our fathers' sin;  
Men that in a narrower day  
(Unprophetic rulers they)  
Drove from out the mother's nest.  
That young eaglet of the west,  
To forage for herself alone.

Britons hold your own.

Sharers of our glorious past,  
Brothers, must we part at last?  
Shall not we, through good and ill,  
Cleave to one another still?  
Britain's myriad voices call,  
Sons, be wedded each and all  
Into one Imperial whole;  
One with Britain heart and soul;  
One life, one flag, one fleet, one throne;

Britains hold your own,  
And God guard all.

(Source: Liu et al.)

Table 3 Actual and Average

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