

ARUNDEL GIVES FREEDOM TO EARL MARSHAL

The old town of Arundel, under the shadow of the castle, put the name of the Duke of Norfolk on its roll of free men, an acknowledgment of the great part played by His Grace, as Earl Marshal, in the Coronation arrangements.

The Duchess heard the Duke reply.

So here in the ~~House~~⁹⁶ Hall of the old castle the Duke signed the scroll of freedom. Arundel was once a fortress against the Danes; now it is the home of the Premier Duke, a man ~~most worthy~~^{eminently with} of honour in his own country.

7th August, 1953.

Mayer

"We are met here this evening to do honour to a man who has for many years been well known to the public, but never before has he been so much in the public eye as during the past 12 months, and I feel it very fitting that the presentation should be made in this ancestral castle, because so far as is known, this is the first occasion upon which a Duke of Norfolk has been given the Freedom of Arundel. (applause) And as we have waited for the 16th Duke, I think you will agree, Ladies and Gentlemen, we have not been hasty in our decision, (laughter) but have waited until we were sure we had the right man. (slight laughter, and applause)

We are all proud that he is an Arundel man, bred and born in this town, and we all individually take great pride in what he has done and the respect in which he is held. The country generally respects him; we in Arundel go further, we love him. (applause)

Ladies and Gentlemen; that concludes, I was going to say, my few words - the words I was going to say. I haven't bored you or tired you. As this is officially a Council meeting, I am going to formally move that the Honorary Freedom of the Borough of Arundel be conferred on His Grace the Duke of Norfolk, and I am going to ask ---- (cut) "

"I have very much pleasure in handing you this scroll (to Norfolk) which is awarded in accordance with the Town Clerk's remarks. May you and your family look on this scroll for many years to come and derive loved and admired by the whole people of Arundel!(applause)

Norfolk

"Mr. Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Boro' of Arundel,
people of Arundel, Your Worships, Ladies and Gentlemen:

This evening we are certainly met on what I suppose for this
boro is one of its most historic events. [I, Lord Mayor, must
try and express my heartfelt gratitude not only for the honour
that you have done me but for the words which you have used about
myself and my family.]

~~I have been told that we are still living on (out)~~