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Message from Zurich

Mr. Emile Landolt, President of the Zurich City Council, with three of his children, in the costume he wore for the « Sechseläuten » procession, representing the burgomaster Salomon Hirzel (18th Century).

It is 600 years now since the entry of the canton of Zurich into the Swiss Confederation. We of Zurich feel justly proud of this and decided to celebrate this important anniversary with festivities which have been the expression of our joy and which have also shown us just how close are the bonds uniting us to our fellow Confederates. It is with gratitude that we think of the part played in our celebrations by the whole press. The fact that such a wellknown publication as Textiles Suisses has devoted a part of one of its numbers to Zurich appears to us an extremely friendly gesture. For the textile industry has, for several centuries, contributed much to the economic development of Zurich, and still plays an important role to-day in the spreading of the fame of our town, both in Switzerland and abroad.

May this number inspire new friendships for our beautiful town ! In return, we of Zurich declare ourselves ready to combine our efforts with those of all men of good will in Switzerland and throughout the world to ensure for mankind an era of happiness and peace.

It is in this spirit that we extend friendly greetings to the readers of the present number of Textiles Suisses.

President of the Zurich City Council