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THE KING IS DEAD! LONG LIVE THE KING!



HIS LATE MAJESTY KING EDWARD VII.

An Empire Mourns KING EDWARD VII.

Born November 9, 1841.

Died May 6, 1910.

OFFICIAL BULLETIN OF THE KING'S DEATH

"May 6th, 11.50 p.m. His Majesty the King, breathed his last at 11.45 to-night in the presence of her majesty Queen Alexandra, the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Princess Royal, the Duchess of Fife, Princess Victoria and Princess Louise, the Duchess of Argyle.

"Sgd., LAKIN, REID, POWELL, DAWSON."

Edward VII. assumed the throne on the death of Queen Victoria on January 22, 1901, so that he was King less than 10 years. He was born at Buckingham Palace on November 9, 1841, the son of Queen Victoria and Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gothe. In 1860 he made a triumphant tour through the United States and Canada. The Prince was married on March 10, 1863, to Princess Alexandra, oldest daughter of the Danish Prince, who became some

months later King Christian IX. Six children were born, two of whom, the Duke of Clarence and Prince Alexandra died. The surviving children are:

George Frederick, Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall and York, who now becomes King; Princess Louise, who was married to the Duke of Fife; Princess Victoria Alexandra and Princess Maud Charlotte, who was married to Prince Karl, of Denmark, now King Haakon VII. of Norway.



THE NEW KING, GEORGE V.

FRIDAY, MAY 20th, FIXED AS

DATE FOR KING EDWARD'S FUNERAL

LONDON, May 9.—Friday, May 20 has been definitely fixed as the day for King Edward's funeral.

It was officially announced at Buckingham Palace at noon that the Queen Mother Alexandra was bearing up bravely.

THE KING'S LAST MOMENTS.

For some hours previous to his death, His Majesty had been unconscious. The Queen stood by His Majesty's side with her hand placed in that of her husband, and nothing could be heard but the solemn voice of the Archbishop of Canterbury as he read the prayers.

Then almost in the presence of death King Edward opened his eyes and with a look of recognition gazed at the Queen. Once again his eyes closed, this time in death. It was just as if he was sinking into sleep.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA RESIGNED

The body of his late Majesty lay Saturday and Sunday in the bed room in which he died. It is a room he used as a sleeping apartment since he became king. On a table near the head of the bed lie a few simple white flowers and violets placed there by Queen Alexandra, one of Her Majesty's last offerings to her dead husband. Since death came Queen Alexandra has found the greatest comfort in the presence of her dead. Throughout Saturday and Sunday Her Majesty paid continual visits to the death chamber, frequently kneeling in silent prayer.

Her Majesty is facing her bereavement with calmness and resignation. Her example is being followed by her invalid daughter, Princess Victoria, who was attached to her father by the bonds of deepest sympathy and affection.

THE "QUEEN MOTHER."

It is stated that in future Queen Alexandra will choose to be known as the "Queen Mother," a title that has not been used in England since the days of Henrietta Maria, Consort of Charles I.

The new Queen will be known as Queen Mary. This title is taken by the expressed wish of King Edward, who chose it some time ago. The dowager house of the Queen Mother will be Marlborough House. It was her first home in London, for she was brought there as a bride in 1862. In all probability the Queen Mother will spend a portion of each year in Denmark. In 1907 she built a summer residence on Klampenborg Bay, seven miles from Copenhagen, which during the last two summers she shared with her sister, the Dowager Empress of Russia. These sisters have always been deeply attached to each other.

SERVICE IN LONDON

The services in all the churches throughout the United Kingdom yesterday had special reference to the death of the King. One of the most simple observations took place in the chapel in Buckingham Palace, where the Royal

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DECLARATION OF HIS MAJESTY GEORGE V.

At the Court of St. James, May 7, 1910—Present, the King's Most Excellent Majesty-in-Council, His Majesty being this day present in Council was pleased to make the following declaration:

"My Lords and Gentlemen:—My heart is too full for me to address you to-day in more than a few words. It is my sorrowful duty to announce to you the death of my dearly loved father the King. In this irreparable loss, which has so suddenly fallen upon me and upon the whole Empire, I am comforted by the feeling that I have the sympathy of my future subjects who will mourn with me for their beloved Sovereign whose own happiness was found in sharing and promoting theirs.

"I have lost not only a father's love, but the affectionate and intimate relations of a dear friend and adviser. No less confident am I in the universal loving sympathy which is assured to my dearest mother in her overwhelming grief.

"Standing here a little more than nine years ago, our beloved King declared that as long as there was breath in his body he would work for the good and the amelioration of his people. I am sure the opinion of the whole nation will be that this declaration has been fully carried out.

"To endeavor to follow in his footsteps and, at the same time, to uphold the constitutional government of these realms, will be the earnest object of my life. I am deeply sensible of the very heavy responsibilities which have fallen upon me. I know that I can rely upon Parliament and upon the people of these islands and of my Dominions beyond the sea for their help in the discharge of these arduous duties, and for their prayers that God will grant me strength and guidance. I am encouraged by the knowledge that I have in my dear wife one who will be a constant helpmate in every endeavor for our peoples' good."

Whereupon the Lords of the Council made it their humble request to His Majesty that His Majesty's most gracious declaration to their Lordships might be made public, which His Majesty was pleased to order.

KING GEORGE V. PUBLICLY PROCLAIMED KING WITH IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES

LONDON, May 9.—With the time-honored ceremonies of a most brilliant and impressive character, George V this morning was publicly proclaimed King. The precincts of the palace were crowded with a great mass of people. None of the officers wore mourning, this having been removed for the occasion. Sir Alfred Scott Batty Garter, Principal King of Arms, with the Duke of Norfolk, read the proclamation, while great throngs stood uncovered in a drizzling rain. The Duke and Sir Alfred then called for three cheers for the King, and the crowd responded with three deafening hurrahs. The band of the Coldstream Guards struck up "God Save the King."

The young Princes, from their point of vantage in the windows of Marlborough House, stood with their hands at salute. When the National Anthem was concluded the first gun of the battery in St. James' Park belched forth a royal salute, and the people in the square and streets at the same moment took up the refrain "God Save the King." This was probably the most impressive part of the ceremony, the fervent singing of the crowds, which first reached those in the balcony as a hum, growing in volume as more and more singers joined in, while at minute intervals the gun half drowned the chorus.

The people having concluded the singing of the National Anthem, turned towards the Marlborough House and renewed their cheers for the King, a glimpse of whom was caught as he

stood at the window with Queen Mary at his side. A moment later His Majesty lowered the blind.

The Earl Marshall and his attendants proceeded to the Ambassadors' Court, whence they drove to Charing Cross, and thence to the City of London, to read the proclamation to the people at the designated points. The route to the city proper was lined with seven thousand troops.

Thousands upon thousands who had waited since early morning, silently watched the stately progress of the heraldic procession.

THE KING IS DEAD

Honored by the World—Loved by His People

LONDON, May 7.—"WELL, IT IS ALL OVER, BUT I THINK I HAVE DONE MY DUTY."

These words fell from the lips of King Edward VII. in a waking interval.

The actual complaint from which His Majesty suffered was an asthmatic cardiac affection, and as usual in such cases oxygen had been administered to him at intervals since Thursday night.

There is no doubt that the King caught a chill which developed so fatally during his week end visit at Sandringham for the purpose of inspecting the changes and alterations which had been made in the house and grounds of

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