

# People and Events

## The Burial of General Booth

THE coronation procession was almost eclipsed in point of popular interest by the funeral procession of the late head of the Salvation Army. Not only was the funeral cortege the largest ever known, but the crowd who gathered along the route was more numerous than any previously gathered together in the city of crowds. It is estimated that two million people lined the five miles of streets through which the funeral procession passed.

On the night of August 28th funeral services were held at the Olympia at which thirty-four thousand people were present. The crimson flag of the Army which the General unfurled on Mount Calvary was planted above the coffin. Flags of various nations in which the General had commanded troops were arrayed in front of the platform. King George was represented by an equerry. There were several mayors in their robes and chains of office, a delegation from the Stock Exchange, ministers and clergymen, of Protestant churches, Jewish Rabbis, and many notable people of civil rank were seated with the blue-coated and red-jerseyed members of the Army.

On the following day the body was borne from the Army Headquarters in Queen Victoria Street to the burial ground of Abney Park. Twenty thousand Salvationists with forty bands made up the cortege. It is probably true as stated by a correspondent that the event was more in the nature of a triumphal progress than an occasion of mourning.

The accompanying picture of the General is one of the latest, if not the last, taken of this wonderful man, who left behind him a private estate valued at \$2,444. It is also worthy of mention that although he governed this great institution and handled vast sums of money he drew no stipend or remuneration of any kind from the funds of the Army. He supported himself entirely from a small sum of money settled on him many years ago by the late Henry Reed. This property is now valued at \$26,000 and will be divided amongst his six children. His small personal estate was left to the Army.

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## The Peg Auto Club Goes Visiting

LINED with automobiles of every size and make, Saskatchewan Avenue, the main thoroughfare of Portage la Prairie, presented an animated appearance on a recent Saturday afternoon, when upwards of 200 cars decorated with Union Jacks and pennants bearing the word "Winnipeg," proceeded up the Avenue and were lined up in the middle of the street.

Mayor Garland on being notified that the cars had left Winnipeg, rounded up the auto owners, and at 12 o'clock the Portage cars left for High Bluff, where they met the visitors and escorted them to the city.

During the afternoon the visitors made a drive through the principal streets, admiring the many beauty spots from which Portage has earned the reputation of being the Beautiful City of the Plains. Portage also can be called the City of Unequalled Railway Facilities, being situated on the main lines of the four great transcontinental railroads.

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## The Exhibition at Toronto

PEOPLE in Toronto and Canadians generally are very proud of the annual exhibition in Toronto. Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina, Edmonton, Ottawa, London and other cities have splendid annual exhibitions, but the Toronto Exhibition is in a class by itself. Some thirty odd years ago it was founded by a few agriculture enthusiasts. It passed through all sorts of phases, was the foot-ball of local politicians, was the amusement of the community because of its lack of financial success—yet through it all grew slowly and steadily in general popularity with the common people. To-day it is not an event; it is an institution. It has played so large a part in the life of the city and of the province that it is now as much a part of the life of the people as Dominion Day or Civic Holiday.

The Exhibition really entered upon its present prosperity when the management realized that it was a provincial and not a local institution. With this idea borne or forced into their minds, these gentlemen began to cultivate the provincial press and in a short time succeeded in convincing them that they had as much interest in it as the Toronto

## Where Crowds Paid Honour to Great Leader



Body of General Booth Lying in State at the Congress Hall, London.

## Interesting Incidents in Which Automobiles Figured



The Hon. Winston Churchill and Mrs. Churchill Sitting in Their Car at Dover, While the Chauffeur is Making Frantic Efforts to Get His Employer Away From the Staring Mob.



Winnipeg Automobilists Visit Progressive Portage la Prairie.