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CORONATION

Date of the Coronation ceremony has been set for May 12th.

Coronation Commission

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Establishment of Coronation Commission . On January 11th, His Majesty the King was pleased to approve the nomination of a Coronation Commission consisting of persons representing the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. to meet in London for the purposes of considering those aspects of the arrangements for the Coronation which are of common concern. It was felt that the traditional procedure under which the arrangements for the King's Coronation had been in the hands of a Committee of His Majesty's Privy Council of the United Kingdom, required to be supplemented in the light of the present constitutional position in order to provide suitable machinery for co-operation between the King's several governments. For Canada the members consist of the Prime Minister, the High Commissioner in London, and Lt.Colonel Vanier. King has been pleased to appoint the Duke of Gloucester as Chairman of the Commission.

Programme 3. of events and route

Tentative arrangements have been made as to the programme of events connected with the Coronation, and for the processional route.

See telegram attaches, Jon. 15.

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