

The Queen's Early Years.

The Throne Not Deemed Near When She Was Born.

Anecdotes of Her Majesty's Early Life and the Later Years of Her Uncle.

Britain and Ireland and Empress of India, will have reigned sixty years. Only two British sovereigns have had George III., her grandfather, whose well as of drawing. the history of Europe there is recordel only one longer reign, that of Louis XIV., who nominally reigned 72 years. She has outlived all the peers that held their titles when she ascended the throne in 1837, except the Earl of Darnley, who was then 10 years old, and Earl Nelson, who was 14. Mr. Gladstone is one of the half dozen sur
entire control of her daughter, and day. Her coronation of the death of the duke in 1820, made day. Her coronation of herself obnoxious to William IV., ap- place until June 28, 1838. viving members of Parliament who sat | parently, by secluding Victoria in that year She has seen five Dukes royal functions, and Greville tells of of Norfolk succeed each other, and six which took place at the calcharting Archbishops of York, and has outlived the king's birthday, at Windsor Casevery duke and duchess and every tie, on Aug. 21, 1836. The Duches of the king's tide at the difference of the control of the king's tide at the difference of the king's tide at the celebration. maiquis and marchioness who bore the tile in 1837. She has seen France successively governed by one king, one emperor, and six presidents, and she has seen seventeen presidents in office. as seen seventeen presidents in office In the United States.

The story of her life up to the time spared for nine months longer, after which period in the event of my death, of her marriage contains episodes perhaps not generally known which are more interesting in some respects than more familiar subsequent events. When she was born in Kansington Palace she was born, in Kensington Palace, the princess), the heiress presumptive on May 24, 1819, there seemed no great of the crown, and not in the hands of probability that Victoria would ever become Queen of England. Her father, the Duke of Kent, was the fourth son of George III. The second son, the Duke of York, was still alive, and the third son, the Duke of Clarence, who succeeded George IV had a deaper. and was considered liable to have other children, as his wife was still young.

I have no hesitation in saying that I have been insulted—grossly and continually insulted—by that person; but I am determined to endure no longer This daughter died in intancy, and the death of the Duke of York in 1827 to me. Among other things I have

State. The sum of £10,000 a year was the Duke of Sussex, knelt before her then voted for the princess' maintent to swear allegiance and kiss her hand, then voted for the princess' mainten-ance, in addition to an annual grant of £6,000 made when she was 4 years attitude, and, rising from her chair, old. The Duchess of Kent, who had kissed them both. She was proclaimed "I trust in God that my life may be

"I have no hesitation in saying that without children made Victoria the presumptive successor of William IV. Her nearness to the thrope was first made known to her when she was about 12 years old, by showing her the royal genealogical table. She was warned ways to have been present; but I am genealogical table. She was warned at the same time that her uncle. William IV. might yet have an heir. In the proclamation of her accession to the proclamatio the throne six years later, this contingency was provided for by a clause in which the rights of a posthumous that I am king. I am determined to make my authority respected, and for the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall insist and command that the princess do upon all occasions is the future I shall be upon t that the princess do upon all occasions appear at my court, as it is her duty to do." child to William IV. were protected.

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She was the first member of the English royal family to be vaccinated. No end of stories are told of her child-hood, which illustrate goodness of heart, if not brilliancy. When told that her succession to the throne would the hearth of the control of the country the control of the country (Dr. Howley) and the Lord Chamberlain (Marquis Connext, if not brilliancy. When told that her succession to the throne would the hearth of the country that the country the country reached the country that the country th

be barred if her Aunt Adelaide, William IV.'s wife, had children, she said: west end of Kensington Gardens, at "If so I would not be disappointed, for I know by the love Aunt Adelaide ousing the porter, and it was some bears me how fond she is of children."

Although proved by her after life not one to awaken Victoria. It was not to be brilliant, the Queen is represent- until they said: "We are come on ed as quite an infant phenomenon ness of state to the Queen, and even when six years old. She is said to her sleep must give way to that," that have spoken French, as well as Ger-On June 21 Victoria, Queen of Great
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Only two British representations of the architecture of the archit reigns approaching hers in length- knew something of mathematics, as prayers of the archbishop in her behalf, and they knelt down together reign, commonly computed at 60 years, king in 1830, the contingency of Viclacked nine months of that period, and | toria's accession to the throne before | morning. Lord Melbourne had to coach she was 18, the epoch of her majority, was provided for by the establishment of a regency, with her mother as regent, assisted by a council drawn from gent, assisted by a council drawn from the mother and the speech prepared for her, her two old uncles, the Duke of Cumberland and the Duke of Sussex, knelt before her Henry III., who reigned 56 years. In she was 18, the epoch of her majority, her as to what to do after first being

> popular airs to her guests, accompanied by her mother on the piano. She is described as being five feet two inches, with blue eyes and fair hair.
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> Victoria met Prince Albert, who was her first cousin, being a son of the Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Saalfield, on his visiting England when she was 17. In the spring of 1839 she sent him her popular airs to her guests, accompanithe spring of 1839 she sent mm her portrait, and when he visited Windsor with his brother in the following autumn she is said to have asked him tumn she is said to have asked him the inexhaustible—has shipped this the inexhaustible—has shipped this the spring of 1839 she sent him her plying in the affirmative, she said it depended on him to make it his home. This is only a story. At the time she said frankly that she proposed to him. After he came in from hunting on Oct 15 the soul for him with the soul care to hear a little of the soul conditions. In this mining the soul care to hear a little of the soul conditions in this mining the soul care to hear a little of the soul conditions. on Oct. 15 she sent for him. When he answered the summons she told him camp of a month ago, city of today, why. She spoke of it afterwards as nays in years to come. parently a love match on both sides The wedding took place on Feb. 10, 1840, in the Chapel Royal of St. James' The Queen's first child, the present Dowager Empress of Germany,

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was born on Nov. 21, at Buckingham.

Palace.

After Canada's Gold

Rossland the Mecca of Many | which the envied Croesus tries to kill Adventurous Spirits.

Somewhat Numerous.

Life Amid the Excitements of a Mining Boom.

Rossland, B. C., May 28.-The eyes of the world are now focused on the gold-laden mountains of British Columbia, and especially on the "hub" here expecting to see the revolver and cheerful and imagine that life was of that province, Rossland Rossland Bowie knife class of miners that worth living at the same time. is the theme of so many writers that | it would almost seem that the reading | disappointed. public would glance at an article describing the camp and its surroundings with about as much interest as headlines telling of escapes from

she blushed at the incongruity of their attitude, and, rising from her chair. old. The Duchess of Kent, who had kissed them both. She was proclaimed entire control of her daughter, after from St. James' Palace later in the But, though Rossland has been so generally written up and talked about, still the public curiosity is far from After she became Queen she sang still the public curiosity is far from satisfied. Any prominent man here year or last year, and the amount of the social conditions in this mining and metropolis of the golden Koote-

> THEY NEVER GO BACK. It is said that eastern people, whether of Canada or the United States, who follow the advice of the esteemed Mr. Greely and "go west" to hunt the elusive dollar on the prairies of Manitoba, in the mountains and mines of the Kootenays, never, in the very bottom of their hearts, desire to go back and settle down in the more highly civilized east again.
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> They may find the almighty dollar hardships, even want and privation, but there is a sense of hopefulness and expectancy, a Micawberish feeling that something is sure to "turn up," and that some day they will be all able to "take a trip back east."
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Rossland is filled with members of ing with much success the example set them by the much-quoted founder of the race. Easterners who come made us familiar with will be sadly Rossland is many re moves from the mining camp of fic ion and tradition. At one time in its history it is said a young blood, pre-sumably a lately emancipated "tenderfoot," rode his broncho into a saloon and demanded drinks, but such displays of western independence were looked upon with cold and disapprov ing eyes. Rowdyism of all kinds has far from lawless.

We don't keep Sunday here with the Sabbatarian strictness with which it is observed in most of the eastern cities, but six or seven religious bodies have places of worship, with large and attentive congregations, both morning! is never made in vain, as the westerncharitable

One need not come to Rossland prepared to "rough it." A very comfortable room in a first-class hotel can be secured, and the traveler can eat wellprepared meals served by skillful waiters and not have to pay extornished rooms-and their name is where" you can try a different restaumonth.

your stock of groceries and provi-sions, and then the "shack" house-keeping begins in good earnest. You'll enjoy it very much for about two months, and then, if you're more than commonly fortunate, you'll sell your "elegant one-roomed residence"

and your lares and penates and hunt

a boarding-house But the Rosslanders are progressive, and the reign of the "shack" is nearly over. People who have "made their little pile" are building more sub-stantial and ambitious houses, with The Micawber Type of Citizen we won't do an this, but there is that in the western air that makes us that in the western air that makes us think we will, and, after all, life is the modern conveniences," and health. A foundation of sand is innothing but hope and memory, and, as the cozy little ten by twelve homes secure, and to deaden symptoms by we used to write unthinkingly in our copy books "Anticipation is better than realization." are not quite good enough for some narcoffics or nerve compounds is equalization are not quite good enough for some narcoffics or nerve compounds is equalization. The true than realization." heard a bright American girl remark way to build up health is to make that before she came to Rossland her beau ideal of a home had always been by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. "a brown stone front," but now a Rossland "shack" was as high as her the Micawber family, who are follow- ambition soared; but then, she hadn't seen a tired woman trying to cook! dinner, keep three or four children quiet, a one-roomed house tidy, look

word—the society that is always spell- canoe, began his address by saying ed with a capital S—is an unknown quantity in Rossland. The Rosslanders will tell you that they didn't come up, here to go to afternoon teas or evening receptions; they live here to "make money," and these social functions are waste of time vanity and tions are waste of time, vanity and vexation of spirit to the busy workers. Still, in a feeble way, Rossland ligion among the Eskimos north of ing eyes. Rowdyism of all kinds has been frowned down, and Rossland is has its little coteries and cliques, and Hudson Bay that he had to build a the youth with social aspirations and church. As there was no wood, he a dress suit can attend small and se- used whale's ribs for rafters, covering lect dances and imagine for a few them with tanned walrus hide, and so brief hours that he is back where made a church to hold 80 persons. All these amusements are more a part of business of life, and the broker ceases time, until—the dogs grew famished attentive congregations, both morning and evening, and the request for alms at rest. The majority of the people is never made in vain, as the western-er, as a rule, is openhanded and charitable lightful surprise to mest a man who does not talk "shop"-that is, "mines." Rossland, with the bright spring sun smiling cheerfully down on her sun smiling cheerfully down on her straggly streets and her hundreds of so severely from neuralgia that my hair bustling, hopeful men and women, is a sight to inspire the laziest and most indifferent. There are about 8,000 peo- entirely cured the neuralgia, and to my tionate prices; or one can go into Iurnished rooms—and their name is legion—and if you like variety, and legion—and the lonesomeness of it, and loneso don't mind the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness of it, and the feeling that you "belong nounder the lonesomeness" of its lonesomeness of its lonesomene will be increased five-fold before the rant or eating house every day for a snow flies again. A large number, however, will probably pay Rossland a flying visit and then settle down t It is said that eastern people, DESCRIBES A ROSSLAND SHACK. a flying visit and then settle down to carve out (perhaps "dig out" would be the better term) their fortunes in

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QUEEN VICTORIA'S THREE CROWNS

Has Only Worn the State Crown of Great Britain Once in Her Life.

The only crown that is likely to be used during the stately functions of the commemoration is the tiara which is familiar to this generation in sketches of the Queen when holding a drawing-room. This was manufactured by the state jewelers in 1862 at the personal cost of her Majesty, and, in gen-eral terms, may be said to weigh eight troy ounces. It is a light shell of gold, entirely incrusted with diamonds, and comprises 2,673 brilliants, besides 523 rose diamonds, making an aggregate of 3,196 stones. It is retained in the charge of the sovereign, of whom it is a personal possession, and to all intents and purposes never requires any attention. It was specifically devised for use in conjunction with a veil, and, apart from the drawing rooms, has scarcely been used at all.

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This crown was preceded in point of time by a diadem or circlet of gold, choicely bejeweled, which was made for the Queen in 1858. The stones used on this occasion, which are wholly diamonds, were in the main crown jewels, and the diadem will therefore remain the property of the crown, although the cost of mounting them for the use of her Majesty was borne out of the privy purse. This diadem is technically known as a circlet, surmounted by the cross patee (whereof mounted by the cross patee (whereof the Maltese cross is a decoration variant) and the fleur-de-lis. The general effect of this crown, is excellently shown in the current coinage, in which it is half concealed by a veil, which it is half concealed by a veil, which was not worn in the earlier years of the reign, when this form of circlet was in ordinary use; and, indeed, there would seem to be some doubt as to whether the particular form of coronet depicted on the present coin issues has ever been adopted by the Queen in actual use at all. It was this diadem, and another of a like shape that preceded it, which were used when her Majesty opened or prorogued Parliament, and also on such occasions Parliament, and also on such occasions as the marriage of the Princess Royal. On every occasion on which the Queen visited the House of Lords, the state crown was taken out of the re-galia room in the Tower of London, and was borne before her on a cushion. Except for this purpose the crown has only left the tower on two occasions during the reign—once for repair (some part of the setting having become loosened), and once in order to modify the ermine. The crown has never been actually worn by the Queen at any functually worn by the Queen at any function whatever since the act of coronation 60 years ago, and there is nothing in the episodes of the forthcoming commemoration that will require its removal from the tower. The state crown was made for the Queen by Messrs. Rundell & Bridge (the predecessors of Garrards, the present holders of the appointment), and its construction is familiar history. It may, however, be interesting at this juncture to say that the estimated value at that to say that the estimated value at that time of its stones—comprising 2,783 diamonds, 277 pearls, 16 sapphires, 11 emeralds, and 4 rubies—was £112,760, apart from the priceless ruby which belonged to Edward the Black Prince, and the large sapphire purchased by George IV. In the opinion of competent experts, the stones still have an intrinsic worth of a like sum, even if no account be taken of the value that would attach to their illustrious esso-

PREMIERS DURING THE REIGN

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"GONE TO THE DOGS." A missionary bishop who had been "Poker Flat" and "Roaring Camp" has SOCIETY IS RATHER PRIMITIVE. six weeks in coming to the convention Society, in the general sense of the at Winnipeg, most of the way in a

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