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FIFTIETH YEAR

# ANXIOUS TO SEE COFFIN OF KING

## Great Multitude Awaits Opportunity to Pass Through Westminster Hall, where Body Is Lying in State

## ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUNERAL TOMORROW

## Special Honor Paid to High Commissioners of Canada and Australia—Lord Strathcona Makes Corrections

LONDON, May 18.—Thousands of people, marching in double file on either side of the catafalque on which rests the coffin of Edward VII, passed through Westminster Hall today, and when the doors were closed at 10 o'clock tonight there were seemingly miles of people still in line.

Throughout the afternoon Victoria station was the scene of a constant stream of foreign representatives arriving for the funeral. King Albert of Belgium and King Manuel of Portugal were met by King George and his eldest son, the Duke of Cornwall. Other arrivals included the Duke of Aosta, representing King Victor; M. Pichon, the French minister of foreign affairs, representing President Fallieres; King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, the Crown Prince of Roumania, the Crown Prince of the Netherlands, Prince Charles of Sweden, two Chinese missions headed by Prince Tsao Tao, brother of the Prince Regent, and representatives of various German Principalities.

Most of these dignitaries arrived at Westminster Hall after 10 o'clock, when the hall was closed to the public, to witness the lying-in-state. Queen Mary accompanying the guests.

The German imperial yacht Hohenzollern arrived at 11 o'clock this evening, but as the Emperor's health is delicate, he will not leave his quarters until tomorrow and proceed to London for the funeral.

The official program of the funeral ceremony, which was issued tonight, is a lengthy document, occupying five or six columns in the newspapers.

**Specially Honored.**

As a special mark of his personal feeling towards the overseas dominions, King George is sending two of his private carriages to convey Lord Strathcona and Sir George Reid, Australia's high commissioner, that they may form a part of the funeral cortege. Lord Strathcona from Westminster Hall to Paddington on Friday.

Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. A. G. B. Fisher, Sir Fisher, Sir Hugh and Lady Graham, and many other distinguished visitors have been according to the invitation to dine at the houses of parliament to view the lying-in-state.

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# HUNDREDS KILLED BY EXPLOSION

## Three Thousand Pounds of Dynamite Set Off in Barracks of Rural Guards at Pinar Del Rio, Cuba

## MANY OF VICTIMS BLOWN TO PIECES

## Dead Include Rural Guards, Their Officers and Families, Residents of Town and Government Employees

## PERU AND ECUADOR

## Mediation of United States and South American Republics May Prevent War

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 18.—Official assurance from Chile promising to lead insurance to the mediation of the United States, Argentina and Brazil, which now rests that the mode of mediation suggested to both Ecuador and Peru was rejected as an honorable method of avoiding a needless, destructive war.

GUAYAQUIL, May 18.—Ecuador has not yet received any official notice of joint mediation by the United States, Brazil and Argentina in the dispute between Peru and Ecuador. The Ecuadorian minister to Argentina has not yet arrived at Buenos Ayres. A private dispatch received here stated that Peru has decided to accept the offer of mediation.

# TO ROW AT HENLEY

## Eager Observers Have to Content Themselves With Ordinary Phenomenon—Earth's Contact With Tail of Visitor

## SOME OBSERVATIONS MADE AT OTTAWA

## Ignorant People in Many Places Panic-Stricken Over Near Approach of Halley's Friend Leave Their Work

## NECESSITY FOR EDUCATING GIRLS

## Subject Referred to in Report of Association of Manufacturers

OTTAWA, May 18.—The Winnipeg four will represent Canada at the Henley Regatta this summer. This C. A. A. O. has endorsed their entry.

Vancouver Drydock Soberly.

OTTAWA, May 18.—Capt. Thompson of Vancouver, has been in Ottawa for the past few days interviewing members of the government relative to the requirements of the proposed Vancouver drydock under conditions of the new act passed last session. It is expected that this will be satisfactorily arranged. Owing to the absence of the minister of public works from the capital at present, no definite has yet been decided on.

# HALIFAX FROM SOUTH

## Sealing Schooner Alice C. Donohoe Arrives

## Mistake About Stamps

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# START WORK ON KOOTENAY ROAD

## Tenders for Construction of Section of Kootenay Central Railway to Be Invited by C. P. R.—Begin This Summer

## INTENTION TO BUILD FROM SOUTHERN END

## Junction With Crow's Nest Pass Branch to Be at Galway, Some Miles East of Cranbrook—Route of Road

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VANCOUVER, May 17.—An early start on the construction of the Kootenay Central railway is indicated by the decision of the C. P. R. to immediately call for tenders for the road to be built from the southern end of the present month. It is understood that this means the starting of the work at the southern end of the line.

At the outset but twenty-five or thirty miles of work will be awarded, and, contrary to general expectations, construction will be started on the south end of the line instead of in the vicinity of Golden, at the northern end. It is expected that the work will be done from Golden on the main line of the C. P. R., but steel will be never laid on that section. The Kootenay Central, following the waters of the upper Columbia and Kootenay rivers will link the main line of the C. P. R. with the Crow's Nest branch, traversing valleys reputed to be rich in mineral and agricultural resources.

At its southern end the railway will join the Crow's Nest Pass branch at a point some miles to the east of Cranbrook near Galway. Last year reports of the geological survey of the C. P. R. indicated that the route to Cranbrook was impracticable, and Galway will be made the junction point. The route of the road will run to Fort Steele, thence along the valley of the Kootenay to Canal Flats, past Upper Columbia lake and the Upper Columbia to Golden.

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## BID FOR GRAIN TRAFFIC

## Pearsons Propose to Have Four Tracks on Tehuantepec Railway

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