

# KING GEORGE V., IMPERIALLY TRAINED STATESMAN

## "The Old Country Must Wake Up if She Intends to Maintain Her Old Position"

### A Quotation from King George's Speech After His Tour of the Empire as Duke of York--His Visit to Quebec for Ter-Centenary Celebrations--How His Tact and Kindness Won All Hearts--His Home Life--A Loving Husband and a Fond Father.

A medium-sized, slightly-built man, with reddish-brown hair, beard and moustache, frank blue eyes, and kindly face--such was the Majesty King George as seen each day by the thousands of Canadians during his last visit to this country, at the time of the Quebec Tercentenary celebration in July, 1888. He came over on one of Britain's greatest modern fighting machines, the greatest battleship indomitable, and his landing was a spectacle not easily to be forgotten. A strong fleet of British warships, vessels from the navy of the United States and France, and the guns of the old citadel blazed a thunderous welcome to the "sailing prince," while from the heights surrounding the harbor, crowded with dense masses of people, his coming was watched with eagerness for his coming, and burst forth with cheers and cries of welcome.

### WHEN THE KING WAS STOKER.

The prince had greatly interested himself in the working of the indomitable on his way to Canada. On the return voyage he showed this in a practical way by taking a turn with the stokers in keeping the fires going in the boiler rooms of the great warship. The indomitable made a significant run and it is the pride of the ship to this day that the prince, now Britain's second "sailing king," shovelled coal with the stokers in helping to make it possible.

### HOW HE WON QUEBEC.

Ceremonial marked the greeting of the prince at Quebec, troops lined the course of the royal progress to the citadel, where the then prince made his headquarters during his all too brief stay in Quebec, but it was not for this that his bronzed cheeks took on a deeper hue and that his eyes looked up with unaffected pleasure. It was because of the heartiness of the greetings extended by the dense masses of people upon the streets; for these were not their stokers and crew--in English and French alike--a warmth and spontaneity that was thrilling. In the afternoon, until he took his departure, the prince, by his unaffectedness, his sincere pleasure in the great events that marked the progress of the Tercentenary celebration, and the kindness and geniality of his manners, won his way straight to the hearts of all. He drove about the city, sometimes in an automobile, sometimes in a carriage, with a few mounted policemen as an escort, at times, and at others without them. For most of the time, except on state occasions calling for escorts and guard, he might have been a gentleman on a sight-seeing tour, and not the heir to the throne of a vast empire.

prince attracted great crowds and a measure of enthusiasm, first because he was the Prince of Wales and the representative of King Edward, but the people very quickly came under his spell and enthusiasm to the end for his own sake. Those who were closest to him during his stay have never ceased to speak of his thoughtful and tact, warm sympathy and companionship.



### OTHER VISITS TO CANADA.

It was not the present king's first visit to Canada. He had made others, notably as Prince George of Wales in 1888, when he was a midshipman, and again in September and October, 1901, when as the Duke of Cornwall and York, and accompanied by the gracious lady who will now occupy the throne as queen, he made a long tour of Canada as the winner of a tour around the world-wide British empire. Those who saw him then, and particularly the newspapermen who recorded his trip, while paying tribute to his geniality, were also constrained to remark upon his nervousness--in fact it might better be described as bashfulness. He plainly was not at ease in receiving so many addresses of welcome, hearing many flattering speeches, and in seeing so much done in his honor. His voice on many occasions betrayed his feelings. At the same time there were evidences that his highness was then in preparation for the mantle which was fallen upon him now as his majesty.

### A FAMOUS SPEECH.

He was keen to observe and learn, searching in his questions and queries as to the products, property and possibilities of the various districts. And he made good use of what he had learned, for when he returned home he made in the Guildhall in London on December 5, 1901, a speech the echoes of which have not yet died out, and will not while there is room in the overseas dominions for more workers. "Wake up, England," was the keynote of that speech, and it was a quite frank warning to the people of the old

land that they were neglecting the opportunities open to them in the British dominions overseas. That speech opened the eyes of those who in Britain and elsewhere were inclined to look upon the prince as lacking the qualities which had won for his illustrious grandmother and with them a sense of earnestness and conviction. Nor were they conched in the language of mere platitudes; thoughtful, an appreciation of the circumstances and conditions, marked them throughout.

### THE KING'S DOMESTIC LIFE.

With a reputation among the men of his navy for the heartiness of manner and bluntness of speech which is characteristic of the sailor, King George V. as the sailor Prince will now be called, is a pattern of the domestic virtues and a model husband and father.

### A DIFFICULT ROLE.

It was said at the time that the prince had a difficult role to fill. He was taking part in a celebration which could not but bring before the minds of thousands a time when France and not Britain controlled the destinies of this country; those celebrations were being held in a province where the great majority of Canadians speak the French tongue, loyal though they are to the empire. There were not lack of the elements for painful situations and incidents. But the prince held sway over all. Where his audiences were of both races his addresses were in both languages, for he speaks French with charming ease and fluency, and everywhere he went French-speaking and English-speaking Canadians alike greeted and loved him as their own. It was with a new sense of the meaning of it that when on the evening of his departure for England he made his way through the crowds to the King's wharf they sang God Bless the Prince of Wales.

### SOME HOPES SHATTERED.

There had always been a hope that King Edward would visit Canada again. That is gone with the passing of the world's greatest diplomat. A worthy successor will now occupy the throne. It may be that the cares of state, the formalities that hedge around a sovereign, for reasons often not apparent to the common view, but of great moment to the welfare of kingdoms and the peace of the world, will prevent George V. from visiting Canada again. Prince of Wales King George should go to South Africa soon to open the first parliament of the new South African union.

That arrangement will no doubt now be cancelled.

He is the well-loved inseparable companion of his beloved wife and of his fond family of five sons and a daughter. In his fondness for domestic joys he resembles his cousin, the Czar of Russia, between whom and himself there exists a similarity of feeling. The Czar, however, commented upon. But, unlike the Czar, King George is noted for the buoyancy of his spirits and his appreciation of outdoor life, when professional duties or the social duties of the hunting season have taken him away from his family.

### LIKE MILITARY DRILL.

All of the royal children are said to have a love of things military. Trumpets and swords and flags, drilling, marching and saluting constituted a great deal of their family games. Sometimes their father took them to the army, and with a paper cocked hat like the rest of the company, or with a juvenile drum, took his place at the head of the column. The elder children he has put through

### SOME JUVENILE FINANCE.

Their parents are quite opposed to the habits of the new rich in loading their children up with large sums of pocket money. For a long time their three eldest children were given an allowance of two shillings a week each as pocket money, and of this sum they were required to give an exact account before any further installment was forthcoming. The Princess Mary opened a personal account in a postal savings bank, and to take her turn in the line of waiting depositors as required by statute. It was opened in the name of "Mary of Wales, Princess." Mary at one time went into the retail candy business for the benefit of the other members of the family, until his father insisted that the profits must be devoted to some charitable purpose.

### A FRANK REPLY.

Their frankness of manner may not unlikely be an inheritance from their mother, of whose school days a story is told. Her Royal Highness' pet subject, it appears, was geography, and on one occasion she was set a map of the world to do from memory--the outline only. On showing it to her governess, who completed, the latter exclaimed: "Why, you have left out China. Don't you know where it is?" "Yes," replied the future Queen of England, "I know it well where it should be, but I am not going to put it in my map. The Queen is angry with China just now, so it has no right to have a place in the world at all."

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therefore, Great Britain was confronted with the possibility of having to face a hostile coalition of three of the great powers of Europe whenever their interests might seem to require the breaking up of the empire. The king was not only impressed with this fact, but he appears to have seen more clearly than any of those around him that there was no such community of interests between these powers as we are wont to be deceived by a totally different kind of grouping.

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## HOW THE EARTH WILL PASS THROUGH THE COMET'S TAIL



In the diagram enough of the planets and their positions during 1910 are given that directly concerns Halley's comet. The orbits of all the planets are nearly in the same plane of that of the earth's, but the orbit of the comet is inclined 17 deg. 47 min. 18 sec. The line of the comet's nodes is where the comet is on a plane with the earth's orbit. All that portion in red represents the orbit that is above the earth's orbit, and the rest in black is below. Far out beyond Mars, at the point reached on Jan. 18, where the comet is on a plane with the earth's orbit. After that time the comet is above that plane until May 18, when it passes below.

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## THE KEY TO WORLD PEACE

It is held at London and Berlin--With England and Germany in Harmony War Might Cease--What an Alliance of These Two Powers With Japan and the United States Might Accomplish.

(From the New York Tribune.)  
Undoubtedly the most striking and impressive of the suggestions of Mr. Roosevelt at Christiania is that of a League of Peace formed by "the great powers." I know quite well where it should be, but I am not going to put it in my map. The Queen is angry with China just now, so it has no right to have a place in the world at all."

Again, if we limit the assumption still more, it may be said with much reason that really earnest agreement between Great Britain and Germany to keep the peace themselves, and to prevent its being broken by any others at all likely to wish to disturb it, would be effective. And the difficulty in the execution of Mr. Roosevelt's alluring plan lies not in the secondary but in the primary aim of that agreement, not in preventing a disturbance of the peace by others, but in preserving the peace between themselves.

## REFORESTATION BEGINS IN MAINE

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