

His Majesty's Coronation

Since the last coronation of a sovereign of England, sixty-four years ago, manners and tastes have undergone a wonderful change. While none of the essential features of the actual coronation ceremony can be omitted or changed, the investiture of King Edward VII. with a crown and his enthronement are unlike any similar event in the annals of England. The kingdom has advanced in wealth, in art and culture, and the coronation is what may be expected under the highest civilization of the twentieth century. An event of once formal and magnificent has been the aim of the King. In the royal proclamation announcing the celebration of the coronation King Edward enjoined upon all who are to do any service in that ceremony to appear "in all respects furnished and appointed as to so great a solemnity appertaining and answerable to the dignities and places which every one of them respectively holdeth and of this they or any of them are not to fail, as they will answer the contrary at their perils."

King Edward having abandoned that part of the ceremonial which for centuries has taken place in Westminster hall, the centre of interest for the day of coronation is the service in Westminster Abbey. At the moment the royal pair enter the door the choir greets them with an anthem beginning "I was glad when they said unto me, we will go into the house of the Lord." Proceeding through the body of the church, the king and queen kneel in front of the state or coronation chairs, say their private prayers and then take seats in the chairs.

The first important ceremony is the so-called "recognition" of Edward VII. as the lawful monarch of England, a seemingly useless performance in view of the fact that he has ruled as king more than a year. But the coronation is a ceremonial, formal, political and religious.

When all have taken their places in the Abbey, the archbishop of Canterbury makes "the recognition" of the king four times, presenting in as many directions King Edward as the "undoubted king of the realm," each demand being greeted with loud acclamations of "God save King Edward VII.!" and at the last recognition trumpets sound and drums are beaten. After the litany has been said the king and queen, each kneeling before the altar, make separately their "first offering"—namely, an altar cloth of gold, and the king also an ingot of gold, one pound in weight, which the archbishop of Canterbury places in the oblation basin, the pall of gold being laid on the altar. His grace meantime says the prayer, "O God, who dwellest in the high and holy place!"

The king and queen then return to their state chairs. The communion service is commenced, and the sermon by the bishop of London follows. The coronation oath is then administered to the king by the bishop of Canterbury, which he receives kneeling before the altar and with his hand upon the holy gospels. He appends to the form of oath his royal sign manual. The hymn, "Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire," follows; also the anthem, "Zadok the Priest." Then comes the ceremony of anointing. The sword of kingship is then delivered by the archbishop into the king's right hand, with the words, "With this sword do justice." The king returns it to the archbishop, and it is laid upon the altar, and his majesty is then invested by the dean of Westminster with the imperial mantle or dalmatic robe of cloth of gold. The orb, a ball of gold surmounted by a cross and set with jewels, the emblem of supreme power, is also placed in the king's right hand and on the fourth finger of that hand a ruby ring. The scepter with the cross is then put into his left hand. Now comes the central act of the ceremonies—namely, the crowning of the king. The crown, which has been resting on the altar, is consecrated and blessed by the archbishop and placed on his majesty's head.

"God save the king!" will then be shouted by the assembly, trumpets will sound and drums be beaten. The archbishop pronounces the exhortation, "Be strong and of good courage," and "The King Shall Rejoice In Thy Strength, O Lord!" is rendered by the choir. The crowning of the queen follows.

King Edward receives the old St. Edward's crown, enlarged at the rim to fit his head. When the king has been crowned, the princes of the blood royal and the peers put on their coronets, the bishops their caps and the kings of arms their crowns. After the king has been crowned the Bible is placed in his hand. The "Te Deum" is sung, and the king is formally enthroned.

King Edward's throne rests upon a

platform covered with the richest cloth of gold and raised above the pavement the height of five steps and is directly beneath the central tower of the Abbey. At the close of the "Te Deum" he ascends the platform and is lifted up into his throne by the archbishop and bishops and other peers of the realm. The archbishop then exclaims, "Stand firm and hold fast from henceforth the seat and state of royal and imperial dignity which is delivered unto you in the name and by the authority of Almighty God!"

Honour is then paid to his majesty by the archbishops and bishops, who kiss his left cheek, by the princes of the blood royal and by dukes, marquises, earls, viscounts and barons. Amid shouts of the people—"God save King Edward!" "Long live King Edward!"—"May the king live forever!"—and the sound of trumpets and drums the king leaves his throne and descends to the altar. The holy sacrament is then administered to the king and queen, and the archbishop reads the rest of the communion service and pronounces the blessing.

The final act of the coronation ceremony is the changing of the imperial mantle for the royal robe of purple velvet in St. Edward's chapel. Finally the king, wearing his crown and bearing the scepter and orb, passes through the choir of the Abbey to the door where he entered attended by the peers, the archbishops and bishops in full regalia.

RODNEY LINCOLN.

Charged With Murder

Hiattville, Neb., June 17.—James Gorman and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Thomas C. Gorman, were arrested yesterday, charged with the murder of the latter's husband, Thomas Gorman, who was a wealthy cattle owner, disappeared two weeks ago and his wife and brother gave it out that he had gone west to seek another field for his herds. A few days later Mrs. Gorman and James began selling the personal property and the ranch. Later they left with a six-horse wagon, taking Mrs. Gorman's three-year-old daughter. Neighbors became suspicious and made a search of the premises, finding the mutilated body of Thomas Gorman buried in the garden. Sheriff Hall started in pursuit of the couple and arrested them near Cody. Gorman was disposed to fight and was handcuffed with difficulty. The little girl was not with them and it is thought her body is in the Big Horn river. Much excitement has been caused by the arrests. The man and woman are in jail at Basin awaiting a hearing.

Just Like a European

San Francisco, June 18.—The Chinese bureau is in a ferment over the landing of Dr. Yung Wing, from the steamer Gaelic on Friday last. The physician is 74 years old, a graduate of Yale and dresses in the garb of a European. He wears a gray mustache, daintily curled at the ends and might readily be mistaken for an educated South American. It is evident that he passed the inspector at the gangplank without a doubt of his right to land, for he had "declared" on his baggage and paid \$15 on dutiable articles which it contained. Feeling secure in his papers of naturalization to American citizenship he then went ashore, no one recognizing his Asiatic blood. He is now on his way to New Haven, Conn.

Outlook for Texas Corn

Dallas, Tex., June 18.—Rains are reported from only a small portion of northeast Texas, where the corn and cotton crops are said to have been in better condition than in any other portion of the state. Outside of this limit the outlook for any corn crop in Texas this year is gloomy. The protracted drought, aided by scorching breezes, has made the destruction almost complete. Cotton is said to be in fair condition in North Texas and rains within the near future will save that crop.

Postoffice Robbed

Denver, Col., June 17.—The registry department of the Denver postoffice was robbed some time during last night. The burglars entered through a window and broke open the deposit boxes and carried away their contents. Other portions of the office were occupied by employees, but they heard nothing. Thirty registered letters are missing, but nothing is known of the value of their contents. The government will pay only \$10 for each letter lost. There is no clue to the burglars.

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MAGLOIRE'S SAD DEATH

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Mining Inspector John Grant has returned from Lower Dominion and Gold Run, to which he was called by the unfortunate accident to a miner named Marcellian Magloire on No. 244 lower Dominion, and the inquest into the cause of his death. As Mr. Grant tells of the man and his untimely fate it is a sad, sad story.

Magloire came from the province of Quebec, where the recent death of his wife left him with six children to care for. The loss of his helpmeet in this duty was a severe blow to him. In his ambition to better the condition of his family he determined to come to the Klondike, and to obtain the means he mortgaged his life insurance policy for \$300. He was three weeks here before obtaining work and had worked only one week when he sustained the injuries from which he died. Inexperienced in mining work he knocked out one of the timbers in the workings of the mine and as a result the walls caved in upon him. He was buried here last Sunday, by a nephew.

Dominion, Mr. Grant says, is a busy hive of industry, and with the exception of a few claims all the workers are seemingly satisfied with the result. On No. 245, for instance, in the latter part of the winter 2500 windlass buckets were raised to the surface and these having been washed gave a result of over a dollar a bucket. At this point they feel satisfied the pay is 500 feet wide, and, in fact, gold can be found for 1500 feet in width and Mr. Grant looks upon it as a great field for future profitable work.

On Gold Run considerable activity is exhibited on a number of claims. The great drawback is the scarcity of water, but the general results from Gold Run for the season are reasonably satisfactory and in some instances have been excellent for the amount of labor performed.

Mr. Grant finds that a company is to proceed at once to develop the quartz property on the left limit, the rock of which promises to be rich. Messrs. Bennett and Payne will undertake extensive development work on their quartz, and Mr. Grant is informed that Captain Spencer of the Munger mill is interested in the work.

In returning to Dawson Mr. Grant visited pretty nearly all the claims on Bonanza, Eldorado and the hills on the white channel, and found

things in a generally prosperous condition barring the almost universal cry for more water.

Shot in the Neck

New Westminster, June 18.—While a young man named Arthur Goldsmith was driving a wagon along on the Aldergrove road, a man hiding in the bushes suddenly ran out from the place and shot him in the neck with a shotgun. Goldsmith leaped to the ground and closed with his assailant, who again shot at him so close that the powder burned his hand. He seized the man and threw him to the ground, and although terribly wounded, held him by the throat until assistance arrived. He asked the man what he had shot him for and he replied: "Because your father got me jailed for eighteen months."

The man who did the shooting was Martin Monahan. Monahan had threatened to shoot a young woman who was living at the home of young Goldsmith's father, and the father had him arrested and sent to jail. Goldsmith is in a very serious condition and may die.

Contract is Let

Vancouver, B.C., June 18.—Hunt & Meredith of San Francisco have secured the contract for the construction of the big power plant of the British Columbia Electric Railway. Mr. Cooper, the engineer engaged by the Central Trust and Loan Company of Toronto, who took up the \$850,000 worth of bonds floated by the power company, has inspected the scheme and pronounced it feasible and highly complimentary Hunt & Meredith on their plans. The intention is to connect lakes Beautiful and Coquitlan in the mountains, six miles from Vancouver, by a tunnel through the solid rocks two miles long. The electric power generated at these lakes will be utilized in running the cars of Vancouver, Westminster and the twelve miles of interurban lines, besides being used for lighting both cities.

Denied by Major Waller

Washington, D. C., June 17.—Major Waller of the Marine Corps, who recently returned from the Philippines, has received an inquiry from the secretary of the navy as to whether the published statements concerning the campaign in Samar were authorized by him. Major Waller has replied that when pressed for interviews by press representatives he declined to oblige them. This explanation, it is understood, is satisfactory to the officials, and it is stated at the navy department that the case is regarded as closed.

Pursuit is Abandoned

San Francisco, June 17.—George Clough and Philip Dill, the two military convicts who escaped from Alcatraz, are still at large. The military authorities have practically abandoned the pursuit, having only a small scouting party out. The officers are in hopes, however, of capturing the fugitives, for whom a reward has been offered.

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