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BETWEEN CORONATIONS.

For a thousand years there have been kings and queens of England to be crowned; but the coronation of Edward VII to-day is unique in one respect, points out the Hamilton Herald. Never before in English history has such a long period of time elapsed since the last previous coronation. Since the day that Queen Victoria was crowned more than 64 years have passed, therefore to the vast majority of British subjects the event is something entirely new.

These sixty-four years intervening between the crowning of King Edward and the crowning of his mother are not the least glorious period of British history. In this period the empire has extended more rapidly than in any similar period, and its progress in wealth and power and influence has been commensurate with its expansion. King Edward is sovereign of a very much greater empire than was his mother-on her coronation day. Since that day territories aggregating in extent more than 3,500,000 square miles—an area larger than all Europe—have been added to the empire. One-fourth of the land area of the globe, or about 12,000,000 square miles, are now under British sway, and about a fourth of the earth's population owe allegiance to the British monarch.

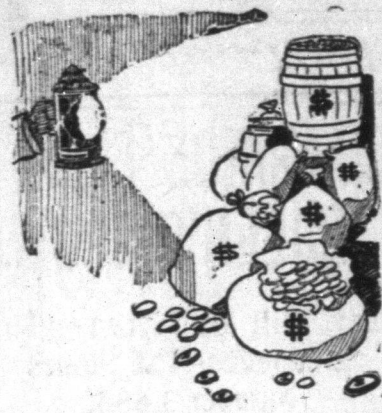
Since the last coronation the progress of the United Kingdom itself has been unprecedented. Its population, despite heavy emigration, has increased from 26,800,000 to 41,454,656 last year. And the increase in productive power of the population is much greater. Mulhall, the statistician, estimates that in 1840 the amount of industrial and productive energy put forth by the people of the United Kingdom per day was 9,730,000,000 foot-tons—that is to say, the power put forth in a day's work by the British people would raise that number of tons through the space of one foot. This amounted to 370 foot-tons per inhabitant. At the present time, according to Mulhall, the daily energy of the British people is equal to the astounding total of 61,410,000,000 foot-tons, giving an average of 1,570 foot-tons per inhabitant. These figures show that about four times as much work per inhabitant is done now than was done in 1840. As a matter of fact, however, the people are not nearly so hard-worked now as they were 60 years ago, for the hours of labor have been considerably reduced. The great difference is, of course, owing to the introduction of labor-saving machinery. The machine power of Britain is equal to that of 109,000,000 men.

The following figures show the growth of Britain's trade:

	1840	1895
Colonies.....	\$34,000,000	\$172,000,000
United States.....	23,000,000	131,000,000
France.....	6,000,000	68,000,000
Germany.....	5,000,000	60,000,000
Other countries.....	45,000,000	272,000,000
Total trade	\$113,000,000	\$703,000,000

The wealth of the United Kingdom was, in 1840, estimated by McCullagh and other authorities at \$4,100,000,000. Mulhall, in his work, National Progress, estimated the total in 1895 to be \$11,806,000,000. In 1860 the income tax assessment was \$335,000,000; in 1900, \$706,000,000. The assessment is

Are You Looking



For money? Most everybody is. It's just like finding it if you buy during our Clothing and Furnishing Sale. This is not a cash gift, but a cash saving with every purchase. Straw Hats, half price. Underwear, 15c., 20c., 30c., 39c. per garment.

Men's Shirts, 6 different lines, 50c., 75c. and \$1.00 kind, selling for 39c. Children's Tams, 50c. kind, for 19c. Remember the Values we are giving in Clothing! Every garment must be sold.

See our Men's \$5.00 Suits, regular \$7.50. Still a few \$7.89 SUITS, \$10.00 and \$12.00 kinds.

Children's Vestee Suits up to \$4.50. Sale Price, \$2.15.

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Everything as advertised. Cash and One Price.

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King St.

computed as representing about half the total national income.

Another satisfactory evidence of progress is to be found in the statistics of pauperism and crime. For the decade 1840-9 the number of convictions for indictable offences in Britain was 1,240 for each million of the inhabitants, and in Ireland 1,564 for every million. In the decade 1890-9 the number was 333 for each million in Britain and 275 in Ireland. In 1890 there were 48 paupers per thousand of the inhabitants; in 1900, only 24 per thousand.

Some idea of the progress of elementary education may be gathered from the fact that illiteracy in Great Britain has decreased from 44 per cent. of the adult population in 1837 to 7 per cent. in 1900.

Some more figures, which show the growth of national activities, are these. In 1837 the number of letters which passed through the British post office was 82,000,000, or three per head per annum; last year the total number exceeded 2,084,000,000, or 53 per head per annum, besides 766,000,000 newspapers and book packets. In 1850 the total enrolled military forces of the empire were 189,000 men; in 1901 the normal establishment was 971,970 men, or, including colonial militia and native Indian troops, 1,400,000.

As the great self-governing colonies, comprising Greater Britain, were in their nursing stage during the greater part of the Victorian era, and are now rapidly coming to the front as prosperous and influential nations in all but name, it is certain that the empire's expansion during the next two generations will eclipse even the wonderful record made from the coronation of Victoria to that of the monarch who is crowned to-day.

WHY BARNS ARE STRUCK.

The Toronto Globe says editorially: "Prof. Reynolds, of the Ontario Agricultural College, assigns as a reason for the greater destruction of barns by lightning in recent years the disappearance of forests. Trees, he said, are conductors of lightning. Where there are many of them they carry the electrical energy in small currents to the earth, and thus prevent damage. That is why it is that you so often find single trees destroyed while there is no appearance of damage in a forest. Where there are many trees together, currents pass through a number of them in a small volume to the ground, while where one stands alone it may receive a current sufficient to cause its destruction. Trees, according to this theory, are the best protection against lightning, but they should not be too close to the house."

EARLY TONGS.

Relics of the Days When Matches Were Unknown.

Some customs seem to have as many lives as the proverbial cat. In the good old days of Queen Bess every smoker had in his outfit a pair of tobacco tongs. If he were a gallant of the court, they were made of silver; if a substantial merchant, of brass; but if a workman, of cheap ironware. They were a necessary implement to the smoker. Matches were unknown, and the only available fire in the day-time was the blazing log upon the hearth. With the poker a small piece of glowing ember was broken off, which with the tongs was applied to the freshly charged pipe.

Hundreds of these tongs are to be found in the collections of antiquarians. Most of them are clumsy objects, but a few are so graceful in outline and artistic in workmanship that they seem to be of French and Flemish rather than English origin.

These tongs were revived on a small scale some twenty years ago, when they were employed for holding cigarettes. The cigarette tongs were from two to four inches in length, connected at the upper end by a smart spring, which kept the ends together when in a position of rest. When used, the smoker opened them and caught the cigarette between the tips close up to the mouth end. The contrivance enabled the user to burn the cigarette down to the last whiff and protected the fingers from the discoloring vapor that produces the brown stain upon the fore and middle fingers.

The new tongs shown nowadays are somewhat larger and are intended to hold cigars as well as to reach a coal from the fireplace to a pipe. They are made of iron, steel and gun metal, and many of the latter are said to be manufactured from warships, cannon and other trophies of the late war with Spain.

Bell Rock Lighthouse.

The old lantern and dome of the Bell Rock lighthouse, in the German ocean, twelve miles southeast of Arbroath, are being removed. The lighthouse, which is 110 feet high, was designed by Robert Stevenson and Rennie and erected in 1807-10 at a cost of \$61,000. The light has never until now been changed, says the Westminster Gazette. "R. L. Stevenson used to imagine himself with his engineer grandfather on the Bell Rock in fog, when the Smeaton had drifted from her moorings and the Aberdeen men, pick in hand, had seized the only boats, and Stevenson had to stoop and lap sea water ere his tongue could utter audible words. There also, when the beacon took a 'thraive' and his workmen fled into the tower, then almost finished, he sat unmoved reading his Bible, and one after another slunk back in confusion to their tasks. Southey has embodied a tradition regarding the Bell Rock in his ballad, 'The Inchcape Rock.'"

Swans Reach Old Age.

John Lover, the keeper of the wolves, stood on the bank of the lake at the zoo, a bit of pie in his hand. "Whew-w!" he whistled, and a white swan at the far end of the island turned and swam like lightning to him. It took the pie from his hand, waddled back into the water and in a moment had disappeared behind the island. "An old bird," said Lover, "is old at last. It is, in fact, 114 years old, I guess. It is the oldest creature in the gardens. The eagle, you know, is supposed to be 125. Swans are the longest lived creatures there are, the natural history books say. They live 300 years sometimes. Eagles live from 100 to 150 years, and parrots sometimes about 125."

Monument to Virginia Dare.

United States Senator Simmons of North Carolina wants a monument erected to mark the place where the first English speaking people landed and where the first Anglo-American woman was born—Virginia Dare. The historic spot is in Senator Simmons' state. It is Roanoke Island, and the date was 1584. The people who settled there had been sent over by Sir Walter Raleigh, and they wrote such glowing letters home and made such attractive maps that in 1585 and 1587 the colony largely increased. It was at Roanoke Island in 1587 that Virginia Dare was born. She ought to have a monument, says Mr. Simmons, and he wants congress to appropriate \$25,000 for this purpose.

Deaths by Lightning.

From 1890 to 1900 the United States weather bureau printed statistics of losses of life by lightning. The work is now discontinued. During the year 1900 715 persons were killed by lightning; of this number 291 persons were killed in the open, 158 in houses, 57 under trees and 51 in barns. The circumstances of 161 deaths are not known. During the same year 973 persons were more or less injured by lightning strokes. On the average it is probable that from 700 to 800 lives are annually lost through injuries from lightning in the United States. The greatest number of injuries occur in the middle Atlantic states, the fewest in the Pacific states.

Philippine English.

A correspondent of the Blacksmith and Wheelwright saw this sign in the Philippines:

AMERICAN HOOF MACHINIST.

It belonged to a native blacksmith, who, it may be supposed, wished to suggest either that he would shoe horses in the American style or that he would shoe the horses of Americans.

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LOT 2—75c Dress Goods for 33c, 35 pieces colored dress goods, including French poplins, crepe-de-chenes, bedford cords and silk and wool mixtures, 42 to 44 in. wide, reg. 50c., 60c. and 75c., Sale Price per yd..... 33c.
LOT 3—50c Dress Goods for 22c—27 pieces black and colored, in all-wool granite cloths, fancy checks and tweeds, 42 to 44 in. wide, reg. 40c. and 50c. per yard, Sale Price..... 22c.

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450 yds. unbleached flannelettes, full width, extra heavy quality, reg. 10c. a yd. for..... 64c.
543 yds. unbleached and fancy striped flannelette, the best 8c quality in the trade, lengths of 5 yds. to 20 yds., Sale Price per yard..... 6c.
1 pc. only, 72 in. White Table Linen, nice fine quality, grass bleached, reg. price 60c., Sale Price..... 39c.
35c Fancy Mercerized Satens 15c—the greatest bargain of the season, positively no reserve, all patterns in our big stock of fancy colored mercerized satens, all this seasons goods, and permanent silk finish, 25c and 35c lines (see window) clearing price per yd..... 15c.
60c Ladies' Hose for 33c per pair—5 doz. ladies' hosiery artificial silk hose, sizes 8½ and 9½, reg. 50c. and 60c a pair, Sale Price..... 33c.
3 Dozen Ladies Tan Hose, in sizes 8½, 9, 9½, reg. 25c quality for per pair..... 17c.

Ladies Vests at 5c—Ladies Vests, sleeveless and half sleeves, special value, each, at..... 5c

Linen Belts at 5c—Ladies linen belts, plain and with fancy white stitching, reg. 2c, sale price, each..... 5c

75c Ladies Collars for 39c—All our ladies lace collars in white, cream and linen shades, worth up to 75c clearing price..... 39c

25c Ladies Ties for 15c—Ladies net and lawn ties in colors, white, pink and linen, reg. 25c, sale price, each..... 15c

Bargains in Linen Skirts—A good quality linen skirt, with deep hem, double stitched seams, full width flare, reg. \$1.25, sale price..... 75c

Nice fine quality, linen skirt, hemstitched and tucked seams, deep flounce with one row of insertion, reg. \$2, sale price..... 1.39

10 doz. Men's Ties for 10c each—Nice rich quality, silk, in four-in-hands, flowing ends, knots and string ties, reg. 25c and 35c, sale price, each..... 10c

15c Art Muslins 9c yard—10 pcs fancy art muslins, scroll patterns and fancy stripes, with double fold, silky finish, reg. 12½ and 15c yard, sale price per yard..... 9c

\$10 Men's Suits for \$6.99—48 good all wool Tweed Suits well tailored, cut latest style, our reg. \$8.50 and \$10 suits, sale price..... \$6.99

Men's 50c Sailors for 25c—3 dozen only men's rustic straw sailors, reg. 50c, clearing at..... 25c

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There is no virtue in the bottle without the medicine.

Children Cry for CASTORIA.

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as Launderers in the city of Chatham, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

All debts owing to the said partnership are to be paid to the undersigned, Clyde P. Wilcox, at Chatham aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said Clyde P. Wilcox, by whom the same will be settled.

Dated at Chatham this 23rd day of July, A. D. 1902.

LEWIS E. JOHNSTON, CLYDE P. WILCOX.

Witness: W. F. Smith, Barrister.

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