

KING EMPEROR AND QUEEN EMPRESS





The King and Queen, wearing their robes and crowns after the Dubar ceremony, show themselves from a bastion of the Fort to their Indian subjects assembled at the Photos by L. N. A. Staff Photographer-Photos by L. N. A. Staff Photographer-Photographer-Photos by L. N. A. Staff Photographer-Photos by L. N. A. Staff Photographer-Photograph

chance of the Laurier Government being defeated They were never before quite so active as in the last election. If they had recognized that it is not seemly for men in the employ of both parties to work openly for one, they would have saved me a heap of trouble, and themselves a heap of anxiety. For such men I have but little sympathy. If they were sportsmanlike they would resign as men of honour will pay bets that they lose. They wagered their positions against the defeat or the late government and lost. Now they do not want to pay their bet. One exception only. He sends along his resignation. He admits that he worked hard for his party. He says, "I was sure we would win, but having lost, I hope I am sport enough to pay the penalty gracefully." Others who were offensively partisan take no such manly stand, but on the contrary, appeal to me to save them, forgetful of the fact that if their work had been successful I should not have the power. They ask a favour in return for an injury. And I should be glad to grant it, for there is no satisfaction in depriving any man of his position. But the first law of Nature again gets in its work. Any number of my supporters tell me if I do not dismiss these partisans they will never vote for me again. Suppose, in the face of this, I keep these men in place. Will they help to make up a few of the votes they know I am losing by my generosity to them? Not much. On the contrary, they are just partisan enough to sit back and laugh with delight at the losses I sustain through keeping them in their places and hope the losses will be sufficient to defeat me. That's "where I get off at," and I am a mere human.

I say, in conclusion, that every Conservative member of parliament would be glad to-day if every Liberal office-holder had done nothing more than vote at the last election. I repeat there is no satisfaction in depriving him of his position, and there is less satisfaction in filling the vacancy. Only one can have it where two dozen apply. That one may turn out an ingrate. At

quisites or higher salary. The other twenty-three may become enemies. At the best they are disappointed and may become only lukewarm, where once they were ardent.

THEIR MAJESTIES ARRIVE AT BOMBAY



Their Majesties standing before their thrones during the arrival ceremonies at Bombay and acknowledging the cheers of their Indian subjects.