

## QUEEN VICTORIA IS DEAD

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house gates a tall gentleman in front of the crowd waved his hat and shouted "Long live the king," whereupon the crowd cheered him with redoubled vigor.

The king at the accession ceremony wore a military uniform. His brief speech was delivered with great earnestness and was quite extemporaneous. It is expected it will be published later in official form.

At the last moment the king decided not to attend the house of lords today.

The proclamation of the accession of his majesty was signed by the princes present, the Duke of York first, then the Duke of Connaught and Duke of Cambridge, Prince Christian, Archbishop of Canterbury, the lord chancellor, the lord mayor and the other representatives of the city of London.

At 4:30 p. m. the artillery began firing salutes in St. James Park to signalize King Edward's accession to the throne. Among the incidents of the day was an imposing civic procession. The lord mayor and aldermen, accompanied by the city marshal, mace bearer, and other members of the corporation escorted by a strong body of police, proceeded from the Mansion House by way of the Thames embankment and Trafalgar Square to St. James palace in gilded equipages with liveried outriders, including 20 semi-state carriages, making a notable picture which was witnessed by thousands of silent people who filled the sidewalks along the entire route.

### Local Feeling.

The general feeling in Dawson Saturday evening concerning the latest news from the Isle of Wight, was one of intense anxiety and sadness. Sorrow for the condition of the sovereign lady who was said to be dying, and anxiety for the future.

The feeling of this community may be fairly taken in miniature as a good representation of what is felt by the whole British empire, over which no queen ever reigned so long and successfully as Victoria.

It is the history of all empires and in all ages that there is great danger in the dissolution of a sovereign, and apparently the more successful has been the reign the greater the danger at its close.

This fact has been by no means overlooked here, hence the anxiety for the future which is so freely expressed on all sides, and little else has contributed to the conversation heard during the past 48 hours, and if there had ever been any doubt of the patriotism of the queen's subjects in Dawson, a little listening yesterday and the day before would have instantly dispelled it.

The large percentage of Dawson's population which is made up of Americans was not slow in expressing regretful sympathy in the portended calamity indicated by the telegraphic news.

Therefore as may be expected, the arrival of later news was anxiously awaited by all, yet none expected it would be any different than what it proved to be, and no surprise was manifested when at 9:30 this morning, the booming of 21 guns from the barracks and the half-masting of the flags over government offices told Dawson that Queen Victoria, the greatest and most influential sovereign of the world, had passed to a greater state.

The official telegram came to police headquarters, and was received there by the immediate posting of notices of the fact of the national bereavement, the firing of the guns as noted and the adjournment of court. Copies of the telegram were immediately sent to Commissioner Ogilvie and other leading officials, and the proper notices to close during today and tomorrow were at once sent out and complied with.

The Nugget bulletin appeared on the streets soon after the salute had been fired, and the reading of this was at once followed by the half-masting of all private flags, and a general closing of all business.

The company stores were the first to post notices of their closing, and to put out craps, and this was quickly followed by a closing of all business. The gambling houses closed for the day, and there will be no theaters this evening.

The public schools were dismissed, and, in short, the city closed its doors for all business and amusement.

This closing of doors and hanging

out of craps is not merely a matter of form or the observance of custom here, because in this case the feeling is one of sincere grief for the loss of the dead queen, and it is felt almost as keenly by one person as another, irrespective of nationality. Especially does this apply to Americans, who, everywhere attest their reverent appreciation of the character and works of the departed monarch in a manner not to be mistaken.

Many things are remembered of her now, seldom thought of before since their occurrence, which add their part to the luster surrounding her name.

"When Victoria became queen," said Commissioner Ogilvie this morning, "she was very young to assume the vast responsibilities devolving upon her, and had she been less strong, capable and clear-sighted she would not have given evidences almost in the beginning of her reign of her great power and ability as a monarch.

"Civil service was at that time practically unknown in England, and with each succeeding change of ministry came a general sweeping of offices and their refilling by new appointees.

"Soon after Victoria came to the throne, Peel became premier, and then followed in the time-honored way the appointment to office of a great many people, and the removal of the then incumbents.

"This was all very well till it came to the removal of the ladies of the bed chamber, where the newly appointed met a Waterloo.

"The queen flatly refused to part with the ladies of her suite, and the upshot of the matter was the resignation of the premier.

"That she was an ardent adherent to the ways of peace and the avoidance of war is well known, and to this policy is due perhaps a great deal of her popularity.

"More than once the ministry has been brought to a dead halt in its plans and policy by this strong repugnance to war, and she has always expressed herself as being determined to prevent any appeal to arms just as long as it lay in her power to do so, and how well she succeeded is recorded in more than one instance.

"At one time there was prepared all the necessary preliminaries to a declaration of war against Russia. The premier was in favor of such a course, and so were a great many of the ministers. The queen, however, was so strongly opposed to the shedding of blood that the project was abandoned, and a war averted with honor to both flags.

"At another time, during the civil war in the United States, there arose some correspondence between Washington and London concerning the arrest of some of the representatives of the Southern confederacy, which, brought from the British minister in charge of the correspondence a note couched in very belicose terms, which, fortunately was never sent, as the tension at which feeling in the United States was then might have been the means of bringing on grave results.

"The reason the note was never sent was once more due to the queen.

"She sent for the minister; read his note, and not only absolutely commanded that it should be couched in very different terms, but herself wrote the changes which her keen insight into affairs dictated as being right.

### U. S. Consul's Tribute.

I feel that the loss to the British empire in the death of Queen Victoria is to a large extent a loss to all nations, and particularly so to the United States.

We feel in view of her majesty's friendly relations which have existed between us and the United Empire is a great source of gratification to both nations.

Our hearts have been touched over and over again by the warmth and evident reality of sympathy expressed by her.

We have had the great help of her moral support, let us now give the nation our sympathy and let all the world know it.

We trust the following lines so neatly expressed may be the universal sentiment of both nations.

Henceforth with mingled rays  
Our brother flags shall blaze  
Through every lane.  
The Union Jack shall ride  
The Stars and Stripes beside,  
Proclaiming far and wide  
We two are one."

H. TE ROLLER,  
U. S. Consul.

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