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Coronation Day

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GOD SAVE KING GEORGE THE FIFTH!

ON this day, in the Abbey Church of St. Peter, Westminster, were crowned George, son of Edward the Peacemaker and grandson of Queen Victoria of glorious memory, and His Royal Consort Queen Mary.

The King and Queen being placed in their chairs of estate in the Theatre of the Abbey, the Archbishop of Canterbury speaking at the four sides of the Theatre, East, South, West, and North, in order, said:—

“Sirs, I here present unto you King George, the undoubted King of this Realm. Wherefore, all you who are come this day to do your homage and service, are you willing to do the same?”

And the people signified their willingness and joy by loud and repeated acclamations, all with one voice crying out

“GOD SAVE KING GEORGE!”

Then the trumpets sounded.

The Archbishop standing before the Holy Table, taking the Crown therefrom, reverently put it upon the King's head, at the sight whereof the people with loud and repeated shouts cried

“GOD SAVE THE KING!”

And that shout goes round the world with joyful acclaim from loyal subjects in all parts of the vast Empire over which our King is called to rule and which he serves.