## Coronation.

Looking Over the Crown Jewels, to be Ready for an Emergency.

Wonderful Collection in the Possession of the Queen.

Significance of the Coming Out of Lord Rosebery's Charming Daughters.

A London correspondent writes: "Tiny straws show the trend of the wind," is another way of putting a trite and hackneyed proverb. There is no doubt that some quiet preparation is going on among the great court officials, so that all shall be in readiness in case of a sudden demise of the Crown. Her majesty is in wonderful health, but venerable persons, and especially those who have attained age and weight in equal amplification, may at any time meet their pilots face to face. A coronation is an arduous-possibly the most arduous-of all state ceremonies, and as it is some 60 years since her majesty was crowned, there is no official living who can claim now to have had "experience of a crowning." The state coronation robe which was made for the girlish figure of Queen Victoria, with its deep rose lining and faminine trimmings of ermine and lace, would hardly suit the burly figure of him whom all Englishmen hope to acclaim some day as Edward VII. I understand that orders have already been given for the preparation of a coronation robe suitable for a male figure. The one worn by the kings of the Hanoverian line prior to her present majesty's advent is described as being "faded, shrunken and in places moth-eaten." There has also been a thorough over-

hauling of the crown jewels, and in particular the objects which will be specially used at the coronation. Most these articles date from the time of Charles II., as during the protectorate of Oliver Cromwell the crown jewels, which had fallen from the head and hands of Charles I. had been broken up and sold in various directions. The Merry Monarch managed to secure, by purchase, or otherwise, a return of some of these jewels, and so did his brother James II. These two kings had another Confessor's crown made, but the present imperial crown was only put together for the crowning of Queen Victoria. As it was only a few days ago carefully examined by the officials who have charge of it, and certain of the gems suspected of "loosening" more firmly set, some few favored ones had an opportunity of inspecting the gorgeous symbol of England's sovereignty. The imperial crown, made just 60 years ago, contains some of the historic lewels of the nation, which, as I have just said, were recovered by the royal sons of Charles I., but several new ones were added. It weighs something over , the rim being open, and in front has the large sapphire bequeathed to George III, by Cardinal York. Sapphires and emeralds alternately fill the remainder of the rim. Above this are eight large sapphires, whence are suspended festoons of diamonds. In the center of the cross patee in front is the great spinel ruby, which belonged to the Black Prince in 1367, and which was worn by Henry V. at Agincourt in 1415. It is surmounted by a sphere of open-work set thickly with small diamonds, and in the cross upon it is a magnificent sapphire, said to have been worn by Edward the Confessor and have been buried with him. It was no doubt taken from his coffin some time during the desecration of Catholic shrines at the time of the Reformation under Henry VIII. Besides the great ruby and sapphire, the imperial crown contains four rubies, eleven emeralds, sixteen sapphires, 217 pearls and 2,783 diamonds. The large ruby alone is valued at half a million of dollars. A special box is provided for the crown whenever it has to take a journey, the inside being lined with white velvet. The box is built on the principle of a sliding drawer, and there is a knob of velvet on which the crown fits to prevent it slipping. It is said that on two or three occasions during her reign the Queen has requested to see the emblem of her sovereignty over the empire, and that the crown has accordingly been escorted into her presence. On one occasion, so the story goes, her majesty requested to be left alone wth "her diadem," and she was not disturbed for two During that time she had counted and made a list of every gem in the crown, and also a pen-and-ink drawing, which she subsequently presented to Lord Beaconsfield, and that drawing was one of the "treasures" the great Hebrew statesman was in the

me that last night was a great triumph for those of the chosen race who belong to the upper ranks of English society. The Earl of Rosebery, the late Liberal prime minister, gave a magnificent ball in honor of his two daughters. Lady in honor of his two daughters, Lady Sybil and Lady Peggy Primpose, and these two young ladies are now fully lauched on the sea of society. Their mother was Miss Hannah Rothschild, and the millions that she brought to her husband, the earl, are settled on these two young ladies, who are consequently almost the greatest heiresses in England. They have been brought up as Christians in accordance with the religion of their father, but the late Lady Rosebery was the most orthodox of Jews, and it was a bitter sorrow to her that her children could not be brought up in the ancient faith of Israel. Otherwise the Rothschild family regard the little Primrose maidens

as of their own people.

Lady Sybil and Lady Peggy wore simple white frocks of tulle and satin, and no jewelry beyond a few pearls. They will both be present at the first drawing room on Friday. I have still an intimate memory of the day when Lord Rosebery married the great heiress of the Rothschild family, and the sensation it caused at that time in society. Perhaps the most strange facts in connection with it, according to Christian view, was the opposition made by the bride's family to the marriage. It was intlmated that they regarded the marriage of a daughter of their house to a Christian in the light of a mesalliance, and I believe it took much of the influence of certain very illustrious personages of England to soothe the great financial magnates of the house of Rothschild into compli-

### A NOTEWORTHY POEM.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: The following poem has been in my possession for the past 30 years. I do not remember seeing it in any volume of poems, nor in abstract form as a casual production. Its pathos strikes me as being worthy of circulation among the readers of The Advertiser. I hope you will think it merits an in-J. A. BLAIR.

THE INFANT'S DREAM. cradle me on thy knee, mamma, And sing me the holy strain That soothed me last as you fondly pressed My glowing cheek to your soft white

breast: For I saw a scene while I slumbered last That I fain would see again, mamma,

That I fain would see again. And smile as you then did smile, mamma. And weep as you then did weep;

Then fix on me thy glistening eye, And gaze, and gaze, till the tear be Then rock me gently and sing and sigh, Till you lull me fast asleep, mam Till you lull me fast asleep.

For I dreamed a heavenly dream, mamma, While slumbering on thy knee, That I lived in a land where forms In kingdoms of glory eternally shine,

And the world I would give, if the world were mine, Again that land to see, mamma, Again that land to see.

I fancied we roamed in a wood mamma, And we rested under a bough; When near me a butterfly flaunted in

And I chased it away through the forest wide. But the night came on, I had lost my guide. And I knew not what to do, mamma, And I knew not what to do.

My heart grew sick with fear, mamma, And loudly I wept for thee; But a white-robed maiden appeared in the air she flung back the curls of her golden hair And she kissed me softly, ere I was aware. Saying, "Come, pretty babe, with me," mamma: Saying, "Come, pretty babe, with

My tears and fears she quelled, mamma. And she led me far away;

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habit of mentioning as being "at my little house in the country."

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And lovely cherubs bright; They smiled when they saw me, but I was amazed, And wondering around me, gazed and

While songs were heard robes blazed, All glorious in the land of light. mamma All glorious in the land of light.

But soon came a shining throng, mamma: Of white-winged babes to me; Their eyes looked love, and their sweet lips smiled, they wanted to meet earth-born child. And they gloried that I from the earth

was exiled, Saying, "Here ever blest shalt thou be, pretty babe; Oh, here ever blest shalt thou be." Then I mixed with a heavenly throng,

mamma; With seraphim and cherubim fair; And I saw as I roamed in the regions of peace, The spirits who had gone from this world of distress, And theirs were the joys no can express:

For they knew sorrow there, mamma; For they knew no sorrow there. Do you mind when sister Jane, mamma. Lay dead—some time agone; And you gazed on the sad, but lovely

And your heart was so sore that you wished it would break?
But it lived and you aye sobbed on, But it lived, and you are sobbed on. But, oh, had you been with me, mamma.

In the realms unknown to care, And seen what I saw, you ne'er had Though they buried pretty Jane in the grave when she died, shining with the blest, adorned For like a bride, My sister Jane was there, mamma;

Sweet sister Jane was there.

Do you mind of the silly old man, mamma, Who came late, late to our door, When the night was dark and the tempest loud? his heart was meek, but his soul was proud, And his ragged old mantle served for

Ere the midnight watch was o'er, Ere the midnight watch was o'er. And think what a weight of woe, mamma, Made heavy each long-drawn sigh; As the good man sat in our papa's old chair,
While the rain dripped down from his

As fast as the big tear of speechless Ran down from his glazing And think what a heavenward look, mamma, Flashed through each trembling

As he told how he went to the baron's stronghold, "O, let me in, for the night is cold, But the rich man cried, "Go sleep on For we shield no beggars here, old

For we shield no beggars here." Well, he was in glory, too, mamma; As happy as the blest can be; He needed no alms in the mansion of light,

For he mixed with the patriarchs elothed in white, And there was not a seraph had a crown more bright. Or a costlier robe than he, mamma; Or a costlier robe than he. Now sing, for I fain would sleep,

mamma, And dream as I dreamed before; For sound was my slumber and sweet my rest, While my spirit in the Kingdom of Life was guest, And the heart that once throbbed in the climes of the blest, Can love this world no more, mamma.

Can love this world no more. O may this poem be studied and read, Till the grave's as welcome as our Then life will pass like a limpid

stream. Our joys and sorrows like a pleasant dream. Our hopes as bright as a lambent flame.

Of that sweet rest above; Of that sweet rest above.

SACRED TREE OF THIBET

Few persons, probably, have heard of the marvelous tree of Thibet; nevertheless, for a long time it has enjoyed a great reputation in the east. It is a sacred tree, and fabulous prices were paid for a few of its leaves. In his "Souvenirs de Voyage au Can be pensioned. A cardinal principle of federation is "A fair day's work for a fair day's pay." Thibet," Pere Hue speaks of this wonderful tree. It is essentially of a literary and artistic turn of mind and has the strange habit of producing images and hieroglyphics upon its leaves. Sometimes religious figures take the place of the letters. Pere Hue called the mysterious thing "the tree of a thousand images." These images are found on the leaves, on the stems and on the trunk. Near the temple of Buddha, in the village of Liousar, Thibet, this great tree has stood for years, the plague and the puzzle of all the botanists who have ever received the gift of faith.

A great antiquity was given to the tree—indeed, it was claimed that it had existed from time immemorial. But an investigation not many years ago proved the images of the tree to be fakes. The trick was simple enough. like every other trick when it is found In the spring and in the summer, on dark nights, a lama, endowed with aerobatic power, with his pockets full of hand stamps, climbed all through the tree and stamped the leaves with all sorts of holy images and characters, the most numerous being the following formula: "Om mane padone om"—Glory to Buddha in the lotus. This is also stamped upon the bark, and the leaves and portions of the bark are sold to visitors.

ON THE ORIGINAL BRANCHES. "I notice the exclusive people of New York amuse themselves getting up Yes, and their simian forefathers did the same thing."

He who wears his heart on his sleeve will often have to lament that daws

# Labor's Realm.

The Trades Council of Detroit has already appoined the Labor Day com-

The Eight-Hour Herald, published in Chicago during the past seven years, The American Biscuit Company at Cincinnati has discharged all union

The striking employes of the Wheeler shipyard at Bay City insist on being paid the scale of 1895. The journeymen tailors of Chicago have declared war on the sweatshops and are preparing to inaugurate a strike against them.

The printers of Montreal had a little difficulty with one of the newspapers in that city, but it is reported that the trouble has been settled. A peculiar feature of the labor question in Japan is that with the introduction of labor-saving machinery a great advances has been made in The Ohio Legislature has passed a

bill providing that no boy under the age of 16 shall be employed in factories, workshops, mercantile or other establishments. In the United States 9,000,000 farm hands raise half as much grain as 66,000,000 in Europe. Thus the use of proper machinery makes one farm la-borer in the United States worth three in Europe.

In Holland women and persons of either sex under the age of 16 are now forbidden to begin work earlier than a.m. or to continue to work after 7 p.m.; nor may their work exceed eleven hours a day in all. The annual statement of the Ruskin colony, just published, shows resources of \$78,591 45. The resources one year ago were \$57,394 19. There are 91 shareholders or heads of families, which gives each a gain for the year of about \$230.

One of the most wonderful of recent inventions is a roller bearing for car wheels which does away with the use of lubricants. There will be no more hot boxes. One wheel has had a test of 170,000 miles in the west without the application of a drop of oil. F. E. Farrus, president of the Ohio liners' organization, says that a strike of Ohio miners on April 1 seems inevitable. Ohio operators have decided they cannot pay the same scale as western Pennsylvania, which the Chicago conference decided should be

Within a few months the railroad labor organizations, so it is stated, will be united in a body, which in time is to become a part of the Amican Federation of Labor. The latter part of the proposition is at present merely a probability, but the different Ran down from his glazing eye, organizations, by lodges and divisions, are voting on the question, and nearly every instance the vote is in favor of federation.

W. C. Hubbs and John Shay, union steel workers, charged with the shooting of a non-unionist named Wm. C Cummins during the strike at Scottdale, Pa., in July of last year, have just been tried and acquitted. The company spared no pains to maintain its theory that the men were guilty, but the evidence was conclusive that Cummins' death was the result of an accidental shot by a fellow non-union-The Amalgamated Association, believing in the innocence of the men, made their cause its own. The common council of Syracuse has

unanimously adopted a resolution requiring the union label to appear on all city printing. Before election a document was sent to each candidate to office for his signature, and which pledged him to vote for such a resolution. All signed. The union has the signed pledges still, and when the matter came up there was no trouble, every councilor redeeming his pledge by supporting the resolution. The same method was followed with the board of supervisors of the county, and the printing is done in a union label of-

In the United States Supreme Court a decision has been handed down in the case of E. F. Holden vs. the sheriff of Salt Lake county, Utah, upholding the constitutionality of the territorial law fixing a day's work in smelters and mines in the territory at eight hours. Mr. Holden was arrested for violating the law and was sentenced to imprisonment. He brought the case to the supreme court in an effort to secure a writ of error on the ground that the law was unconstitutional in that it was calculated to deprive a citizen of life or property without due process of law. The court

held that such was not the case, but the law was an exercise of the state's police powers. It would appear that from now on labor troubles in the silk industry of Paterson, N. J., are to be no more. A federation of manufacturers and employes has been established, and, many of the leading firms doing business in the silk city are identified with the new movement. The main object of the federation is the settlement of Fabulous Prices Paid for the Leaves labor difficulties in a businesslike manner. The ribbon weavers and the broad (piece goods) weavers have been instrumental in bringing about the success of the federation. The plan and scope of the new organization embraces provisions for sick and death benefits, and also a system under

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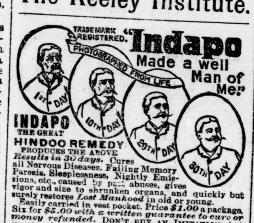


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