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emperor's tribute bore on its ashes the initial "W." The offering of the German Empress bore the initials "A. V." standing for Augusta Victoria. The most touching token was from the family of Dowager Lady Amptill, who was the dearest friend of the Queen after the death of Dowager Lady Churchill. The wreath was inscribed, "In reverence and profound grief, and with deep devotion, from Her Majesty's sorrowing subject and servant, Emily Amptill."

The wreath that perhaps touched the family more than any was, "A small token of loyalty and deep regret from Miss Norman and the nursing sisters of the Royal Victoria Hospital at Netley." The hospital is on the mainland opposite Osborne.

The apartments where the business of the ruling Sovereign is now conducted are inscribed, "His Imperial Majesty," a title which has never before been assumed by any English King.

Emperor William and the King walked together for a time in the grounds in the morning. The Emperor's desire to take more than a formal part in the final ceremonies has been gratefully received, and the spectacle of part of his fighting fleet mourning side by side with ships of England will, perhaps, be the most memorable among the public honors paid to Victoria. He, with the King and Princes, will be on board the yacht Alberta beside the coffin as the fleet steams slowly through the Channel in mourning.

The chiefs of the Emperor's staff are now en route here. They in a pathos and solemnity such as seldom mark the passing from daylight into darkness of the coffin, the royal family yesterday took their last loving look at the features of the dead Queen. About 10 o'clock in the morning the shell was brought into the bedroom, where were waiting King Edward, Emperor William, the Duke of Connaught, Sir James Reid, and the royal ladies. The latter having retired, Sir James Reid with reverent hands, assisted by three trusted household servants, and in the presence of the King, Emperor and the Duke, removed the body from the bed to the coffin. In death it was lovelier than in the closing days of life. Not a trace of the ravages of disease was visible. The servants having retired, Queen Alexandra, the princesses and the children were recalled to the chamber, and with lingering steps and stifled sobs they passed slowly before that white-robed and peaceful figure of the King, and when the murmuring crowd had passed there remained only the son and grandson of the dead, Emperor William wept even more bitterly than the royal ladies. Finally he also retired, and the King was left alone. Sir James Reid, beckoning to the servants with the coffin lid, asked the King's instructions.

For a few seconds the King stood speechless, stricken with emotion at the last farewell. Then he said quickly: "Close it finally. It must not be opened again."

Thus the remains of England's greatest ruler were forever closed

Irland, King, Defender of the faith, etc., etc.

"To all whom these presents shall come or whom the same may in any wise concern, greeting:—  
Whereas Saturday, the second day of February has been fixed for the obsequies of the late Royal Mother of blessed and glorious memory; and, whereas, well knowing that our deep grief is shared by our loving subjects in Canada, we are desirous to afford them an opportunity of testifying their deep sorrow and their sympathy with us in the grievous affliction which has befallen us and them. Now, therefore, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our Privy Council, to appoint and set apart, Saturday, the second day of February next, as a day of general mourning to be observed by all persons throughout our Dominion of Canada.

(Signed) "Minto."

#### The Kaiser's Energy.

Emperor William's untiring energy and promptitude was evidenced to-night by his acknowledgment of the rank of field marshal conferred on him to-day. A blue-jacket from the Trinity pier, which is connected by telephone with Osborne House, came to the hotel where the correspondents are residing and asked the representatives of the press to go to Osborne House to receive the correspondence between the Kaiser, Lord Salisbury, and Earl Roberts. Afterwards the King's plunage was placed at the disposal of the correspondents to take despatches across the storm-tossed waters which the ferryman had abandoned, to the telegraph office.

#### Lord Salisbury's Congratulation.

Emperor William telegraphed to Lord Salisbury that he was rejoiced to think that he was numbered among those highest in rank in His Majesty's gallant army. The Emperor, in his message to Earl Roberts, said he rejoiced to be one of his comrades.

#### Lord Roberts' Kind Words.

Lord Roberts responded in the following terms—  
"I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Majesty's gracious telegram, giving me the joyful tidings that His Majesty King Edward has conferred upon your Majesty the rank of field marshal. I would beg, sir, that I may be allowed to offer, on behalf of myself and the army I have the honor to command, our most heartfelt and respectful congratulations on this mark of our Sovereign's affection and appreciation of your Majesty's great and soldierly qualities. All ranks will be proud to think that your Majesty will henceforth be even more closely associated with them than hitherto. We will feel that the army is highly honored by your Majesty's name being enrolled among the field marshals of Great Britain.

#### Received His Sword.

Cowes, Isle of Wight, Jan. 27.—This morning Emperor William received from the hand of the Duke of Connaught his sword on his appointment as a Field Marshal for the British army.

#### The Kaiser's Esteem.

I do not wish to be too personal, but it is no secret that the German Emperor's affection and esteem for his grandmother amounted almost to worship. She was the only human being to whom he bowed the knee. William is the greatest sovereign today on any throne. He will be great even in the historical sense of the word. But his erratic genius in youth led him into indiscretions which he probably would willingly admit to-day. It was then that Queen Victoria stood as his friend and patiently calmed or rebuked this headstrong will, even when he turned against her own country.

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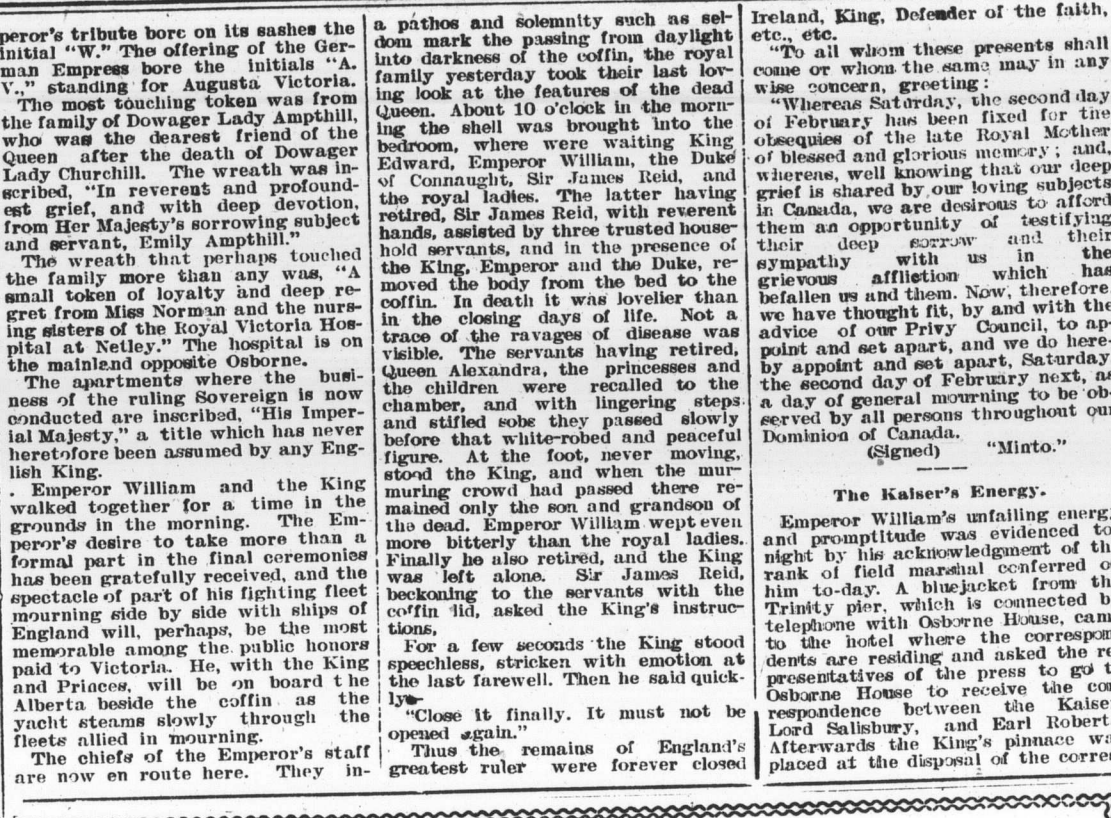
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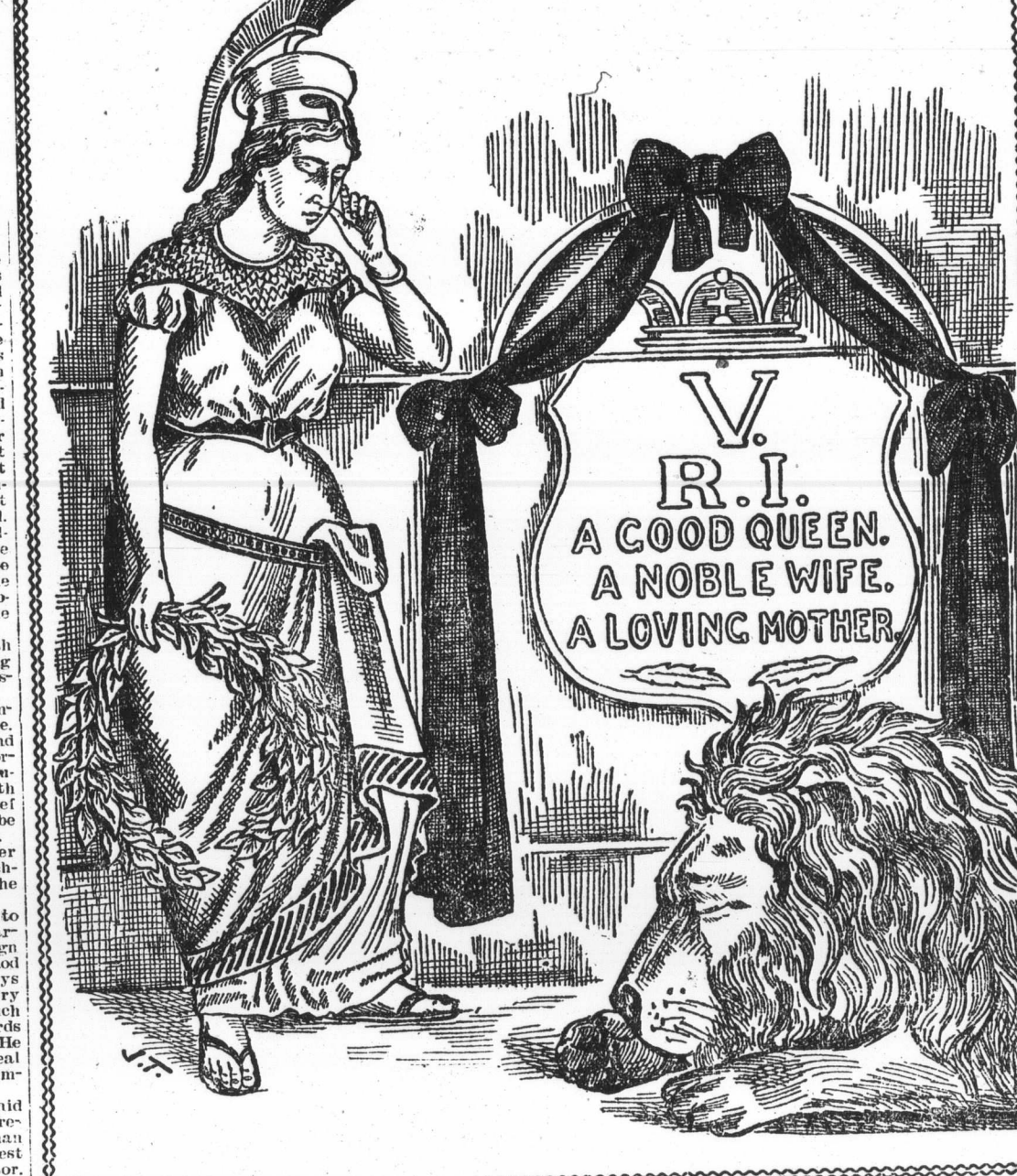
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#### Notes.

The Sultan of Turkey has received a telegram from King Edward VII., Emperor William and Emperor Nicholas thanking him for his condolences on the death of Queen Victoria. His Majesty has wired King Edward VII. congratulating him on his accession. Owing to Queen Victoria's death there has been a temporary cessation of the Chinese negotiations. The various nations to-day fired minute guns at Peking in honor of Her Majesty.



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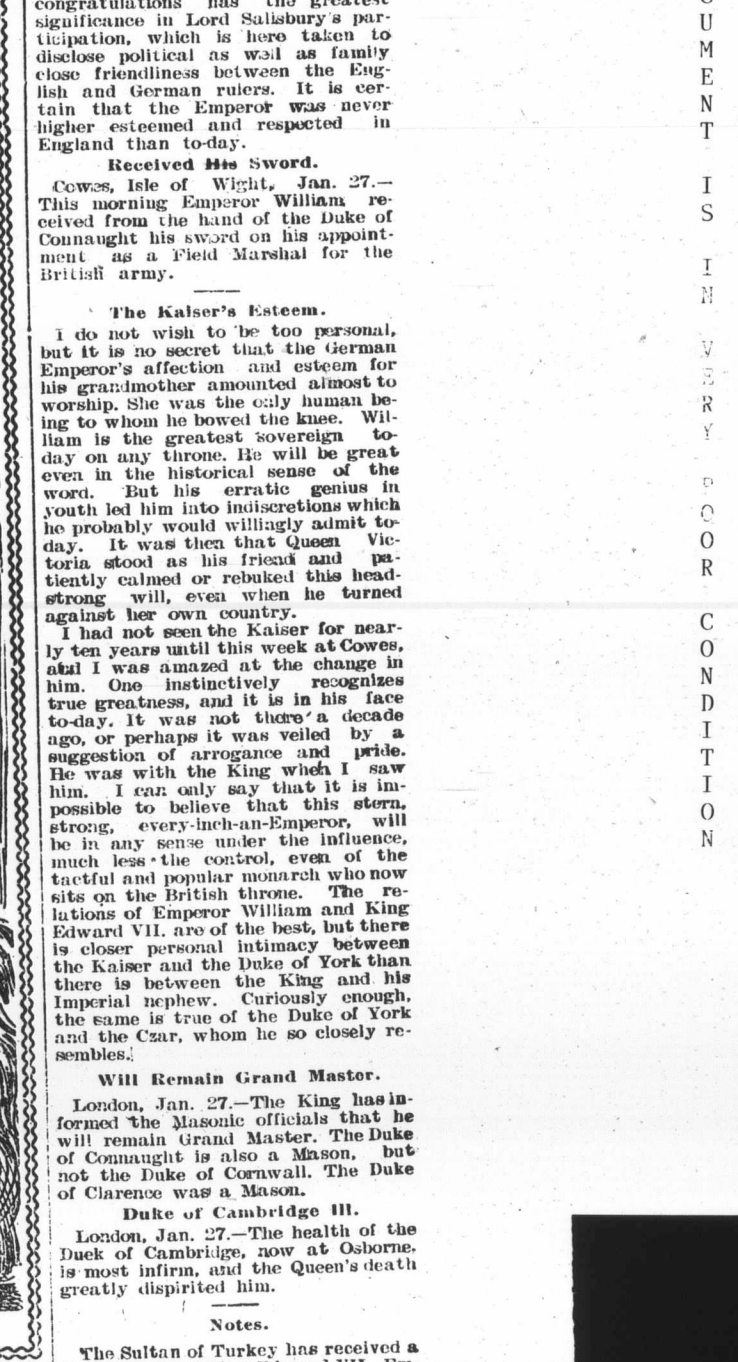
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