

away of the aged Queen of Denmark, the mother of the Princess of Wales. It has also witnessed one of the most atrocious murders ever known in the history of anarchistic feud against monarchy. In certain countries it is unfortunately only too true that the monarch ascends the throne with the conviction that unless every precaution be taken he may some day fall a victim to an assassin, who, masquerading in the name of "Liberty," thinks he is advancing the cause thereof, and destroying a system he hates, by brutally taking the life of one man whom accident has placed in the form as the executive head of that system.

While Czars and Emperors have to face this danger, and do face it unflinchingly, we had yet to learn that the venomous fang of anarchy would direct itself, except in time of a mob-made revolution, against a defenceless woman, even though that woman were the wife of an Emperor; and only a few weeks ago the whole world was thrilled with horror when the news was flashed abroad that the Empress of Austria, while walking from her hotel to the steamer, practically unattended, in a friendly foreign land, where she had been sojourning for her health, had been done to death by the knife of one of those excrecences of the social body of to-day—an anarchist who gloried in his deed so damnable and revolting.

It is with pleasure we turn from such sad scenes within the high places of the

Old World to one of very different character—the coronation of the young Queen of Holland. This event has had particular attraction for the people of Great Britain, whose sympathies with the young Queen in the responsibilities she has assumed are quickened by the remembrance of the fact that their own beloved sovereign was at a similar age called upon to assume like responsibilities. The

same girlish simplicity that characterized Victoria, and yet withal the dignity and earnestness with which she expressed her desire to serve her subjects, over sixty years ago, have counter-part in Wilhelmina, for whom no kinder wish can be expressed than that she may reign as long and be as beloved and revered as Queen Victoria.

We have already referred in these pages to the selection of Lord Minto as successor to Lord Aberdeen as Governor-General, and we now have considerable pleasure in presenting to our readers a reproduction of a very recent photograph of the nobleman who will represent Her Majesty in Canada for the next five years.

The campaign which has been carried on slowly but surely for over two years, for the occupation of Khartoum, the reclaiming of the Soudan for civilization, and the meting of punishment for the death of Gordon, who, practically deserted by the English Government of the day, fell a victim to the forces of Mahdism thirteen years ago. Over the town in which the great Christian soldier



WILHELMINA, QUEEN OF THE NETHERLANDS.

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