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# King Edward VII. Dead—King George V. Reigns

## The Eventful Career of a Departed Monarch

He Was Much Beloved by His Own People and Honored and Respected by the Entire World.

When Edward VII. breathed his last there came to a close the reign of a unique personality. He was loved almost universally, first of all as a monarch whose natural attributes made him dear to the hearts of his subjects, and second as a monarch whose ability to fulfill the role which he was called on to assume was demonstrated conspicuously.

Edward VII., by the grace of God, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Possessions beyond the seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, was his title.

Subject to criticism in his youth because of his manner of life, he lived down whatever was unfavorable through long years of more careful conduct, and succeeded in winning the confidence of all the people as almost no other sovereign of Great Britain, except his mother, Queen Victoria, had done.

**A Strong Statesman.**

As a statesman he was active and personal, particularly in the field of foreign affairs. The fact that he was the first of the people made him a useful instrument of the ministry, and enabled him at the same time to wield more influence than had been conceded to the throne in the past.

He was an able diplomat and in all the most important questions of foreign policy which came up during his short reign he made himself felt. In domestic affairs he was less active, but he succeeded in holding the confidence of the monarchy with the masses, effectually killing whatever anti-royalist sentiment existed at the time of his accession.

His influence with his ministers in an advisory capacity was much more pronounced than that of Queen Victoria, although his attitude on the political questions of theory was not defined.

He assumed the throne on the death



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**THE LATE KING EDWARD VII**  
Born November 9, 1841; became King January 22, 1901; died May 6, 1910.

## With Little Warning Grim Visitor Bore Our King Away

### The Entire World Mourns Death of the First Gentleman of Europe and Most Beloved Monarch of the World

—Tributes from Every Quarter of Globe.

London, May 7.—King Edward VII., who returned to England from a visit to the continent a few days ago, in the best of health, died at 11:45 last night in the presence of his family after an illness of less than a week, which was attended by a small crowd still hung about the palace, when the streets were filled suddenly with "newsboys" crying "Death of the King."

The papers were quickly seized and the people discussed the momentous event quietly, and soon dispersed. The streets were deserted by one o'clock.

Within a few minutes after the death of the King the home-office was telegraphing the intelligence to the heads of other governments and the British diplomats and colonial officials throughout the world.

All who knew the King expected that his death would be sudden, and it would not have occasioned great surprise if it had occurred without warning, as a result of heart trouble. Almost to the end he refused to take to his bed, and was sitting up yesterday in a large chair, so the palace stories go, corroborating the description of him as an unruly patient, which Dr. Ott gave to a Vienna interviewer last evening.

One of the last utterances attributed to King Edward was: "Well, it's all over, but I think I have done my duty." He seemed then to have reached to a full realization that his long and eventful reign had come to an end, but I think I have done my duty.

The Queen and others of the royal family and four doctors had been constantly in the sick room throughout the day. Several hours before his death, the King was in a comatose condition but he rallied slightly between nine and ten o'clock, and then appeared to have recognized his family. Then he lapsed into unconsciousness, which ended in his passing.

When Dr. Sir Clair Thompson, the throat specialist, was called this morning, it was expected that an operation would be necessary, but after a

## King George V. Described as Shy and Reserved

### Not so Well Known by the People as His Illustrious Predecessor—He is Nearly 45 Years of Age.

His Majesty George V., by the grace of God, King of Great Britain and Ireland, and of all the British Dominions beyond the seas, Emperor of India, was born at Marlborough House, London, a stone's throw from Buckingham Palace, on June 3, 1865, and was the second son of the late King Edward VII., who, at that period, was Prince of Wales. He began his career as a cadet of the Royal Navy on board the training ship Britannia, when 12 years of age, in 1877, and his brother, the late Duke of Clarence, then last-presumptive to the throne, started upon two years' cruise around the world aboard the Bacchante. Shortly after the Bacchante's return home Prince George, as our new monarch was then designated, was hazarded midshipman to the Coda, on the North American station. This was followed by his promotion to the rank of lieutenant in 1886, and to that of commander in 1891. The revival of the old royal title of "Duke of York," borne by so many princes distinguished in England's history, in Prince George's favor, and from 1891, consequently, we must begin to speak of him as "the Duke of York." He was the twelfth holder of this title since its creation in the reign of Edward III., about 1350. At the same time his elder brother, the heir presumptive, was created Duke of Clarence.

The next year, 1892, the kingdom and empire were thrown into mourning by the untimely death of the Duke of Clarence. This sad event shifted the Duke of York into the position of heir-presumptive to the English throne. This was soon followed in 1893 by his marriage to his second cousin, Princess Victoria Mary, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Teck, which was celebrated with all befitting and appropriate pomp and ceremony.

The death of Queen Victoria on Jan. 22, 1901, raised the Prince of Wales to the throne as Edward VII., and thereby transferred the position of heir-presumptive to the Duke of York. The new reign was signalized as its opening by a tour made by the Duke of York around the colonies and overseas possessions of Britain on board the Ophir, which event will be still in the memory of many of our Canadian readers. King Edward VII. marked the home-coming of the Duke of York from this voyage aboard the Ophir by creating him "Prince of Wales, the title borne for the past six hundred years by "the Eldest Son of England."

In 1905 the Prince of Wales left England in company with his consort for an extensive tour through India, which was fraught with the most beneficial results from a political point of view, as a means of introducing the native chiefs and princes of Hindostan to their future sovereign, the future Emperor of India.

In celebration of his safe return from the tour around the world he was entertained by the London corporation at the Guild hall on December 5, 1901, on which occasion he delivered his well-known address to England "to wake up." In the fall of 1905 he went to India, and when he returned there was another celebration. On this occasion he said that the task of governing India would be made easier if we, on our part, infused into it a wider element of sympathy. His Indian trip was generally regarded as not a success from a political viewpoint. In 1908 he visited Canada to attend the celebration at Quebec and Ottawa.

The prince is less democratic than his father, and does not have such an ardent love for sports. It is predicted, therefore, that after his accession to the throne, the court gaities, which were always a feature during Edward's reign, will be less marked.

His six children were Edward Albert, Albert Frederick, Victoria Alexandra, Henry, William, and John Charles, and one daughter.

## CALGARY LEADS ALL IN MARCH BUILDING

### Shows an Increase of 80 Per Cent Over March 1909

The availability of building work proposed for 1910 is giving strong signs of materialization, says Construction of this month. Returns for March indicate that the country in general is in the swirl of increasing activities, and that operations in all sections are being carried out on a stupendous scale, both in point of investment and in the volume of work undertaken. Permits issued in twenty representative cities reporting to Construction total \$5,887,787, as against \$4,750,714 in the corresponding period of last year. This is an advance over the preceding month of \$5,812,280, and an average gain over the month of March 1909 of 47 per cent. By far the outstanding feature of the situation is the decided "upturn" in evidence on every hand, and the unusually high figures attained in almost every instance. Only three cities in the list, in fact, met with reversals, viz., Toronto, Windsor and Halifax, the loss in each case being 2 per cent, 12 per cent, and 59 per cent, respectively.

## NEWS OF KING'S DEATH IN CALGARY

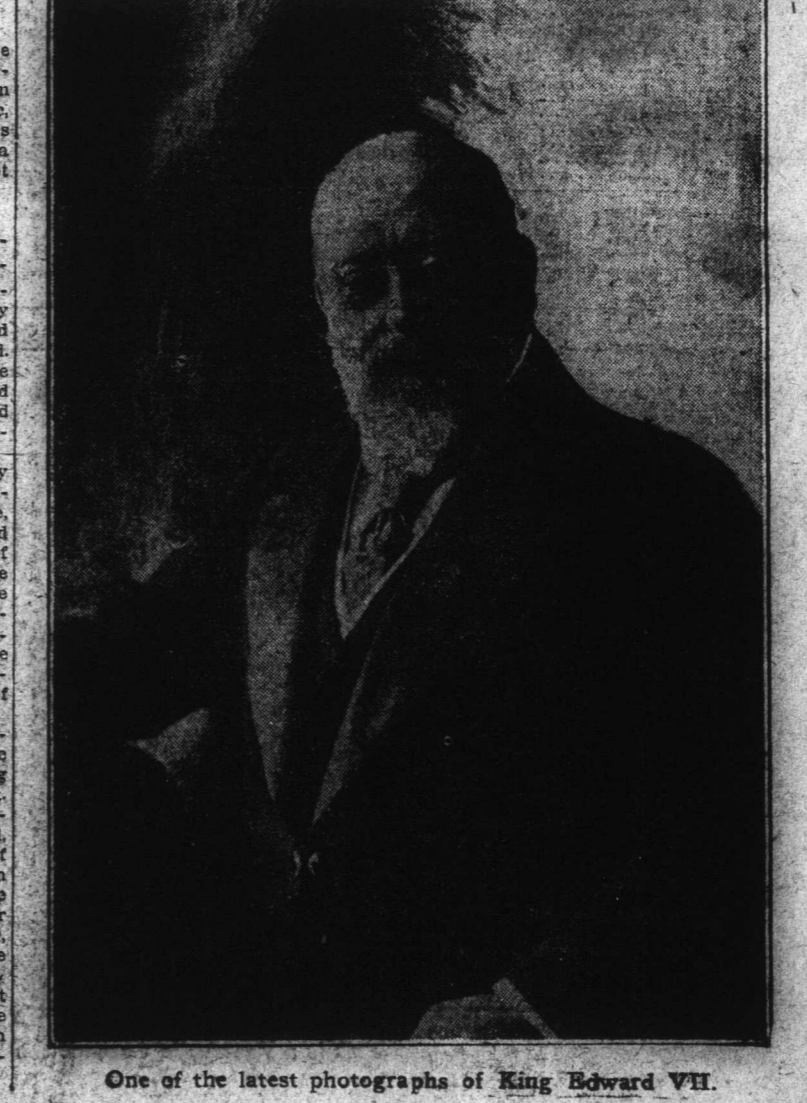
### Bells Told, Flags Came Out at Half Mast and General Expressions of Sorrow at Sad Event.

The first report of the death of King Edward VII. was received in Calgary last night shortly before six o'clock, and the news spread very rapidly throughout the city and province. Almost immediately the bells began to toll throughout the city and flags came out at half mast. There was a general expression of regret among all classes of people, the newer citizens of Canada joining with the native-born in the sadness.

Last night the theatres throughout the city were closed and some social functions were also called off.

Calgary Student Successful.

S. K. Pearce of Calgary, was one of the successful candidates for the McGill University degree of Bachelor of Applied Science.



One of the latest photographs of King Edward VII.

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## THE PAINTERS DECIDE TO TAKE A HOLIDAY

### The Members of the Union Will Not Be At Work This Morning

The members of the Painters' Union will not be at work this morning. The union has decided to take a holiday in honor of the late King Edward VII.

**THE STRIKE—PAINTERS UP BUILDING TRADE HERE**

The union has 130 members—Very Few Non-Union Painters

A meeting of the Painters' Union and representatives of the Master Painters' association was held last night in the labor hall, but no settlement could be reached and the union brought in the following resolution, which was passed: That owing to a disagreement between the Painters' union and the Master Painters' association the painters will take a holiday until a settlement is reached.

The looked-for strike has been declared and the members of the Painters' union of Calgary will not go to work this morning.

The representatives of the Master Painters' association laid their claims to the union last night, saying that they could not grant the increase. That the margin on contract work was so small they could not afford to do so, so the union pointed out that a member of the union pointed out to them that by running an open shop and employing men at various wages the different members of the association were unable to figure what their labor cost them and could not estimate what their business opponents would figure, therefore they had to cut it so low to clinch the contract that it was necessary could not make much at all. At the same time he claimed that if they were to run an open shop they could get larger figures on their

## A GERMAN SETTLER DIES OF INJURIES

### Martin Hoffman, Who Had Two Legs Broken in Hand Hills, Died in Holy Cross Hospital.

Martin Hoffman, the aged German homesteader, who was taken to Holy Cross hospital several days ago with both his legs broken as the result of a runaway accident, died there yesterday. The accident happened at his home in the Hand Hills country a week ago Thursday.

The injuries could not be properly attended to there, and gangrene set in, and it became necessary to remove his legs to the hospital to have the limb amputated, and the trip consumed two days in a wagon. This hardship and pain was too much for the constitution of the aged man to stand, and he could not survive the operation.



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