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## SCENE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

LONDON, June 24.—Of the scene in the house of commons when the announcement of the illness of the king was made T. P. O'Connor, Irish Nationalist member and president of the United Irish League, has written the following for the Associated Press:

WRITTEN BY T. P. O'CONNOR.

"The work-a-day world goes on in its usual way whatever tragedy be in the air, and this is especially true of the house of commons, which is even yet bound down with the iron rules that no high destiny or national crisis can unbind. And thus it was today when the whole of London was shaken with the announcement of the postponement of the coronation and the serious illness of the king; for, while everybody was waiting to see the ministers enter and to hear some news, one way or the other, a clerk at a table read out the words of a petition from a provincial town council in reference to the pending education bill. The education bill is important, but to have this petition with its dreary tautology read when the fate of the monarch was in the balance was one of those grotesque contradictions which exasperated and finally grieved on the nerves of the house. But as the clerk read stolidly on in a muffled voice, the house at last began to interrupt him with discordant and even indecorous cries, and while the house was thus descending into chaotic and undignified disorder, the ministers were still absent from their places and the house was still left without news. But in spite of all this and in spite even of the discordant and grotesque shouts there was that about the place which showed that something was in the air that shocked, saddened and even affrighted men.

"It is no exaggeration to say that there was a look of far more profound depression about the house than even those awful and trying hours for England when the disasters of Colenso and Spion Kop seemed to make the whole fabric of the empire reel. Many of the members looked positively broken. They entered the house as if ill, and were there and as if a blow had fallen upon them.

"The local petition was at last finished, the cries ceased and there was a solemn stillness on the house when Mr. Balfour and the other ministers sat in. Spontaneously and universally hats were taken off and when Mr. Balfour rose and announced that he had a message to deliver in reference to the king, the house remained uncovered. It is the custom for hats to be kept on and therefore the mere act of uncovering heads gives to the familiar place a certain unusualness of look and a certain solemn exaltation, and so it was today when Mr. Balfour rose. Mr. Balfour is not a man who ever shows much feeling. As is said of him by some of his most severe critics, he has much sentiment but no feeling. Today, however, nobody could deny that for once Mr. Balfour seemed to be moved and it was with something of a break in his voice that he announced the seriousness of the king's condition, and the fact that the operation had been already performed. No display of feeling occurred until Mr. Balfour came to the point where he foreshadowed the statement that the surgeons were hopeful of the result. It was an evidence of how keen the feeling was, and that he was not allowed to conclude his sentence. There was a big outburst of cheers from all parts of the house.

"Mr. Balfour's statement occupied but a few moments; it was followed by a very few words from Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the leader of the opposition.

"The discussion of the educational bill went on in its many details, sombrely, but regularly and prosaically, as if nothing had occurred. The members gathered in groups and King Edward was the topic of conversation.

"There was nothing but regret and sympathy; the tragic elements of the case broke all barriers and men only thought of the suffering fellow man struck down at the moment when, if

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## DECORATE.

The corporation has done wonders in the way of decorating and improving the streets for tomorrow's carnival, and their efforts have been admirably seconded by many business men. Rossland will entertain many visitors from outside points and every attempt to ornament the city will count in the eyes of outsiders. It is now up to citizens generally to help in the good work by hoisting flags, displaying bunting and otherwise assisting in decking the city in gala array. It is to be hoped that citizens will respond to the suggestion, emanating from His Worship Mayor Clute, as patriotically as they met the request for funds to make the carnival a success.

# GODS SAVE THE KING

## The Coronation Is Postponed Indefinitely—King Edward Is Suffering From Perityphlitis—Operation Has Been Successfully Performed—The King's Condition Is as Good as Could Be Expected—News in London Caused the Utmost Consternation and Spread Like Wildfire—A Cabinet Council Is Called.

### LATEST BULLETIN.

LONDON, June 25, 8:03 p. m.—The King passed a good night. There are no complications.

LONDON, June 25.—No official bulletin regarding the king's condition has been issued this morning and there is little probability of any medical statement being made before 10:30 a. m. The Associated Press learns, however, that the king's progress continues satisfactory.

LONDON, June 24.—With dramatic suddenness the king has been stricken down upon the eve of his coronation. Tonight he lies in critical condition. In spite of the intensity of this dramatic interruption the lower elements of London are "mafficking" through the flag-decked streets and a portion of society in coronation gowns and jewels has gathered at what is called a gala coronation dinner at one of the fashionable hotels.

Even at the gates of Buckingham palace within which the ablest surgeons and physicians constantly remain in the hope of saving the sovereign's life, the tooting of horns and the sound of other revelry can be plainly heard. That slim gathering which still remains beneath the flaring palace lights is now more bereft on celebration than sympathy.

They seem to have no conception of the gravity of King Edward's condition. The thinking portion of the nation has gone home numbed by the events which the day has brought forth.

CONSTERNATION PREVAILS. Indescribable consternation prevails throughout the country, and this consternation is reflected in the cablegrams received from all the centres of the universe. King Edward is in a room facing the beautiful gardens of Buckingham palace and far from the street and crowd. It tonight's program is maintained he will probably tide over the effects of his severe operation, which has successfully removed the local trouble. But should any complications occur, such as septic peritonitis or blood poisoning, it is feared his majesty's present physical and nervous condition would prove unequal to the strain involved. There is consequently intense anxiety as to the outcome. The king's doctors believe that his majesty would have been dead before now except for the operation. His condition became so alarming last night that at one time it was feared that death might ensue before the surgeon's knife could afford him relief. Intense swelling of the extremities, accompanied by alarming symptoms of mortification, constituted the emergency which demanded an immediate operation. To the last the king tried to avoid this, and he was willing to be carried to the abbey for the coronation ceremony in order that it should occur as arranged. The influence of Queen Alexandra was enlisted, however, and at an early hour this morning the royal patient was prepared for the operation, which, even in the skillful hands of England's best surgeons, was fraught with grave danger. At 2 p. m. today he was moved from his couch to the operating table and the anesthetic was administered. Sir Frederick Treves made the incision near the patient's groin and carried it upwards with an outward slant for nearly four inches. The obstruction was removed and a tubing was placed in the affected intestine.

HE ASKED FOR GEORGE. King Edward's first words when he returned to consciousness were to ask for "George," and the Prince of Wales, who was waiting in the next room, was immediately admitted to his father's presence.

While the operation was being performed the great central court yard of Buckingham palace, so lately the scene of such brilliant gatherings, was utterly deserted and an impressive silence reigned throughout the building. The querries talked in whispers, servants tiptoed about and the great tension was almost unbearable. Then the word was passed around, "all had gone well."

CONGRATULATED THE QUEEN. Lord Salisbury and Mr. Balfour went in to congratulate Queen Alexandra, and afterwards an informal and historic discussion occurred between the Prince of Wales and the Duke of Connaught and Lord Salisbury, Mr. Balfour and several other members of the cabinet.

### OVER 2000 CALLERS.

Before the end of the afternoon over 2000 callers, who included all the foreign representatives in London and members of the house of lords and the house of commons had inscribed their names on the visitors' book at Buckingham palace. All the royal princess called personally on the Prince of Wales and bade him good bye. The majority of them will leave London tomorrow for their respective countries.

### INTERCESSION SERVICES.

In striking contrast to the happy anticipation with which the day opened is an order issued tonight by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the most Rev. Frederick Temple, and the Archbishop of York, most Rev. Wm. D. McLagan, appointing special forms for the intercession services to be held next Thursday.

"The congregations," say the archbishops in their joint order, "would be thankful to join at this juncture in prayer to the Almighty for blessings on his majesty, the king, and for his speedy recovery."

"The first two prayers in those prescribed for the sick might be used for this occasion."

The Archbishop of Canterbury also asks for "the public and private prayers of all in behalf of the king in his serious illness."

A large congregation in St. Paul's cathedral listened this afternoon to the Bishop of Stepney, who is one of the king's intimate friends. The bishop referred to the king's recent presence in the cathedral at the peace thanksgiving as a sad contrast to today's circumstances and asked his congregation to pray for him and to hope. Then followed a solemn pause while the vast congregation knelt reverently in silent prayer. A short service of intercession followed. Many Americans were present at St. Paul's.

A similar service to this was held in St. George's chapel by the dean of Windsor.

### NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT.

A brief notice has been published in the Gazette as the result of which the entire state, social and business arrangements throughout the country are paralyzed. The order is dated from the earl marshal's office and reads: "I have to announce that the solemnity of the coronation of their majesties, King Edward VII. and Queen Alexandra, which was to have taken place on the 26th to a date hereafter to be determined."

The best informed opinion places the date of the coronation in about three months' time, provided King Edward progresses well in the meantime.

### WISH OF THE KING.

In spite of the royal wish that the provincial celebrations be carried out as arranged, many towns have abandoned the festivities which were to be held, although at Liverpool and other large cities, hurried meetings were called and it was decided to carry out all the charitable arrangements as previously made.

The leading business houses of London will remain open June 26th and 27th, also the banks will probably be closed those days.

### HUNDREDS OF POSTPONEMENTS.

Among the hundreds of postponements caused by the sudden illness of the king is that of the publication of the list of coronation honors.

Portsmouth is perhaps the keenest sufferer among all who lose financially, as a result of the postponement of the coronation. The harvest, Portsmouth expected to reap from the naval review will now be lost to the city.

The bonfires which top the hills of the United Kingdom from John o' Groats to Lands End will not be lighted; they will be kept intact, however, in the hope of the celebration being held at a later date.

### QUEEN ALEXANDRA.

Queen Alexandra has borne the strain of the past week with the bravest spirit. She was always fearful of what might happen. Her majesty took part in the festivities at Ascot and elsewhere without revealing any sign of her inward anxiety, and when she was told today that an operation was imperative and that the coronation would have to be postponed, she quietly answered: "I have felt that this would happen," and asked: "How does the king bear it?" Upon receiving an assuring reply, Queen Alexandra exerted herself to appear cheerful and to devise means to lessen the king's grief and disappointment, although she was evidently greatly distressed.

### PLAN TO CROWN QUEEN.

The idea was mooted in some influential quarters today that with a view of preventing the disappointment of the public Queen Alexandra should be crowned alone next Thursday and the king should be crowned in a comparatively private manner upon his recovery. This idea was discussed, but it was rejected as a procedure calculated to mislead the public mind as to the purely relative importance of the queen consort.

### MANY ANXIOUS INQUIRIES.

The pipe and the king of Italy and other monarchs have called anxious inquiries concerning King Edward's progress and dispatches received from all parts of the world reflect the intensity of feeling felt by all. They all extend sympathy with the British nation.

LONDON, June 24.—1:30 p. m.—The coronation is postponed indefinitely. King Edward is suffering from perityphlitis. His condition on Saturday was so satisfactory that it was hoped that with care his majesty would be able to go through the ceremony. On Monday evening a recrudescence became manifest, rendering a surgical operation necessary today.

2 p. m.—The operation on King Edward was successfully performed at 2 o'clock. The king did not lose consciousness and is now asleep.

LONDON, June 24.—2:46 p. m.—The following bulletin has been posted at Buckingham palace: "The operation has been successfully performed. A large abscess has been evacuated. The king has borne the operation well and is in a satisfactory condition."

LONDON, June 25.—At 1 o'clock this morning the Associated Press learned that King Edward was as well as could be expected and everything was satisfactory.

LONDON, June 24.—The following bulletin was issued at 11:10 p. m.: "The king's condition is as good as could be expected after so serious an operation. His strength is maintained, there is less pain and his majesty has taken a little nourishment."

It will be some days before it will be possible to say that King Edward is out of danger.

(Signed) TREVES, LEAKING, BARLOW.

LONDON, June 25.—4:45 a. m.—Sir Frederick Treves, Sir Francis Leaking and Sir Thomas Barlow remained at Buckingham palace all night. The Associated Press learns that about midnight last night his majesty enjoyed some refreshing sleep. It is not likely that any further bulletins of the king's condition will be issued before 7 o'clock this morning.

LONDON, June 25.—At twenty minutes past four o'clock this morning, the officer of the guard at Buckingham palace informed a representative of the Associated Press that he understood that there were no new developments. At that hour the palace was everywhere closed and there were no signs of life about the building except sentries outside and a small lot of messengers and reporters awaiting a possible bulletin.

Lister is Sir Joseph Lister, senior surgeon in ordinary to King Edward, famous for the discovery for antiseptic treatment in surgery. Thomas Smith is Sir Thomas Smith, surgeon to the king and late president of the Royal College of Surgeons. Leaking is Sir Francis Henry Leaking, physician in ordinary and surgeon apothecary to the king. Barlow is Sir Thomas Barlow, physician in his majesty's household and professor of clinics, medicine and physiology to the University College hospital.

Treves is Sir Frederick Treves, surgeon to the king and was surgeon extraordinary to the late Queen Victoria.

### NEWS SPREAD RAPIDLY.

LONDON, June 24.—The sudden announcement of the postponement of the coronation, just on the eve of the ceremony, caused the utmost consternation everywhere. The news spread like wildfire. The tens of thousands of occupants of the streets suddenly stood still under the sudden shock and gazed at one another in silent dread of what might come next.

On Saturday and Sunday society was

## PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 24.—The president, just before he left the White House for the railroad station, sent the following cablegram to King Edward:

"His Majesty King Edward VII, London. "I ask your majesty to accept my sincere assurances of sympathy and wishes for speedy convalescence. (Signed) "ROOSEVELT."

### WHAT MR. REID SAYS.

LONDON, June 24.—Mr. Reid, the special envoy to the coronation from the United States, was seen by a representative of the Associated Press after he had returned from a visit to Buckingham palace and said:

"It is exceedingly distressing news. It is impossible to say more or attempt to forecast events. We can only wait and hope for the best."

### SPECIAL SERVICES POSTPONED.

NEW YORK, June 24.—Owing to the postponement of the king's coronation the special services under the auspices of the British society which was to have been held in Trinity church on Thursday at 3 p. m. has been put off indefinitely.

### BANQUET AT BUFFALO OFF.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 24.—The banquet of the Victoria club, which was to have been held Thursday evening at the Iroquois in honor of the coronation of King Edward, has been postponed indefinitely owing to the illness of the king. A meeting of the club's executive committee was held this afternoon.

It was decided to postpone the banquet without date, said one of the members, but we hope to hold the banquet in the near future. We will wait to hear further reports.

A further statement tonight will be made.

### ABOUT 250 TICKETS FOR THE EVENT HAVE BEEN SOLD.

MANY RUMORS AFLOAT. LONDON, June 25.—Rumors are afloat this morning that although the necessity of surgery in his majesty's case was obvious the actual operation was misdirected. The symptoms of great pain and high temperature pointed to appendicitis, but when the appendix was revealed it proved to be healthy and the unexpected existence of a large abscess in the coccum was discovered.

Whether or not there is any foundation for these rumors the bulletins have seemed to indicate that the surgeons were satisfied in the first instance with the evacuation of the abscess and that they made no attempt to remove the appendix or other structures which might contain the germ of future danger, probably preferring to defer such operation for a radical cure to some future period.

### CANCELLED AT VICTORIA.

VICTORIA, B. C., June 24.—The societies' reunion announced for Friday here, like other events of the coronation celebration, been cancelled.

### WINNIPEG REVOKES HOLIDAY.

WINNIPEG, June 24.—A provincial proclamation has been issued by the Manitoba government revoking the proclamation declaring Thursday a public holiday on account of the serious illness of the king, and the same has cancelled all civic demonstrations.

### MONTREALERS SHOCKED.

MONTREAL, June 24.—Montrealers are greatly shocked to learn of the king's illness and all day long the newspaper bulletins attracted large crowds, while special editions were eagerly purchased.

A big military parade had been arranged, but as soon as the seriousness of the king's condition had been established orders were issued declaring the review off. The churches also gave notice of the postponement of the thanksgiving service arranged for Thursday morning.

### SENSATION AT TORONTO.

TORONTO, June 24.—The news of the illness of King Edward created a great sensation all day. Coronation services in the churches have been postponed and the mayor has recalled the proclamation for a holiday.

### FROM GREENWOOD.

I. O. O. F. Held Memorial Services Over Graves of Deceased Brothers. (Special to The Miner.)

GREENWOOD, June 23.—The body of the late B. Harvey Beach, who died last Thursday from the effects of an accident which befell him the previous day at the Mother Lode mine, was interred in the Greenwood cemetery. There was a numerous attendance both at the funeral service held in the Greenwood Methodist church and at the burial ground. The funeral was under the auspices of the Greenwood Carpenters' Union, of which deceased was a member, and the services were conducted by Rev. J. P. D. Knox.

A memorial service was held at the cemetery yesterday afternoon by Bountiful Valley Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 38, Greenwood, over the graves of deceased brethren. The graves had previously been put in order by a committee and decorated and the prescribed ritual was observed at each grave separately.

### Columbia-Kootenay Ships Today

Today the Columbia-Kootenay mine will ship ore for the first time in several years. The shipments will only be for test purposes, but it is generally supposed that this course is preliminary to the commencement of production on a commercial basis. The ore will be teamed to the Canadian Pacific and sent to Trail for treatment.

The fact is of special interest locally, and the future policy of the Kootenay Mines, Limited, with respect to shipping will be watched with keenest interest.

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KS A CORPS

would be the most suitable recommendation the prizes say there will be skirmishing the Maxim guns, during which the three companies will be dismissed to take in. By the courtesy of the celebration committee all in uniform will be admitted to the race, track to witness forward bound train will leave at midnight. The excursion, Nelson, Kaslo and Rossland the auspices of the Rangers, rate to the general public. Besides the companies the Nelson civil association will turn out in it is also expected that the baseball and other teams who from different point will stage of the special rates, the most interesting events a shooting competition will be as disappearing targets. In this each of the will be represented, and allowance and other features best make it one of the best match from the viewpoint tator.

OOTENAY

so far distant from the Pacific as to be to a large extent without adequate transportation facilities. Now the French comes to the front with a to construct a railroad between and the Crow's Nest placing themselves on the main line of the railroad. The road is to be standard a grade of about two and cent throughout. Tenders put in by various contractors on the point is expected date.

past three years Mr. Tierney has been steadily at spring and summer on into the right-of-way of the & Kootenay road between of Robson. Originally this the road was in anything shape, but the extensive ap- to year have had the effect substantial changes for the work is under way at various and each season sees accomplished in the direction of the line up to the standard ance of the system on this

### ATION CONTINGENT.

GENT. and Other Imperial Premiers to Be Banquetted.

O. Ont., June 16.—The Evening's London cable says that the Parisian contingent on the Coronation contingent oned at Moville this morning, and Liverpool this afternoon, men will land and proceed train. Quarters have been them at Alexandra Palace, and other imperial premiers requested at the National b. July 14th.

### EXCHANGE TO CLOSE.

June 16.—The stock exchange will be closed June 26th, 27th the occasion of the coronation.