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MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 1901.

## THE QUEEN IS DEAD.

Queen Victoria is dead. Thus briefly reads the message of sorrow which announces the departure from this world of Britain's noblest sovereign. Queen Victoria is dead. She who through more than three score years has worn the crown of a great empire and wielded a scepter mightier than that of Caesar is no more, and the civilized world is in mourning.

Universal grief is not necessarily caused by the fact that a great monarch has died. Other rulers have gone to their last account and few but those directly interested have paused to give the matter more than passing thought. Monarchs have died and men have hailed the event with joy and gladness.

How different the effect of the death of Britain's sovereign. From every corner of the globe there will arise the sound of genuine, spontaneous sorrow—sorrow for the death of one whose every action throughout a life extended far beyond the ordinary term of human existence, has been above reproach.

Victoria was more than queen. The actual authority over her people, conferred upon her by law was small but, by the force of a life well and worthily lived her influence over them was well nigh unlimited. As maid, wife, mother and queen, the simplicity and beauty of her life has so impressed itself upon the hearts of her loving subjects as to be beyond obliteration.

Scarcely a throne in Europe could be mentioned but whose occupant has been the object at one time or another of the assassin's plot. Kings and emperors have been born, have ruled and died, while Victoria reigned. Wars upon wars have taken place and the map of the world has undergone many a radical change, but through it all Victoria with steadfast faith in God and her people, has remained until the natural course of her life has been run.

Dawson and the Yukon territory joins with the rest of the civilized world in paying deserved tribute to the memory of the dead queen. Victoria is dead, but through ages yet to come and with generations yet unborn the influence of the queen will remain to point the lesson of a life faithfully spent in conscientious and steadfast performance of duty.

For 60 years and more Englishmen the world over have sung "God Save the Queen." Public functions of all classes have been brought to a close with the national hymns and British soldiers in every corner of the globe where the British flag has been carried have rushed to victory or death with the same refrain upon their lips. Henceforth the hymn will read "God Save the King," but it will be long before the war will become accustomed to the change.

## VICTORIOUS REIGN.

On June 20th, 1837, Queen Victoria, then only 18 years of age, was called to the throne of Britain and was loyally received by her subjects. That warmth and love which was extended to the girl sovereign never cooled during her long and successful reign, but grew in ardor until the last moment of her existence.

ful life, and in every nook and corner of her vast empire has she been regarded with respect, affection and love.

On the 10th of February, 1840, the young queen was married to her cousin, Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, who, after living a life that gained for him the respect of the entire nation, died on December 14th, 1861, after 21 years of life with the best of wives, mothers and sovereigns.

In the early part of Victoria's reign the most important public measure handled was what has been handed down in English history as the repeal of the corn laws, which laid a heavy duty on the importation of foreign corn. A band of free traders formed what was known as the Anti Corn Law League. From 1839 until 1846 the matter remained unsettled, but in the last named year there was a potato famine in Ireland and the law practically abolishing duty on all importations of corn, cattle and other productions was passed and the free traders, after a long struggle, carried the day.

Side by side with the corn law struggle went chartist agitation. The chartists were mostly working men who looked to parliament for betterment of their condition. Then, as now, the labor question was a perplexing and intricate one. The chartists demanded universal male suffrage, annual parliaments, vote by ballot and no property qualifications. From 1839 until 1848 the chartists were very much in evidence, but not until the last named year did the members of the party become demonstrative. On the 10th of April of that year a large crowd mustered on Kensington common and declared their intention to march through the streets of London to the house of commons, where they averred they would present a petition bearing 5,000,000 signatures. The government met this movement with coolness and firmness, although 250,000 conservative, law-abiding citizens were enrolled as special constables. Then it was that the chartists began to wane as an organization although three of their platform planks—no property qualification, well-nigh universal suffrage and vote by ballot—have since been adopted.

Through all this agitation there was never breathed a breath which savored of disloyalty to the young sovereign, who, even at that early period of her reign, had a strong hold on the hearts of her subjects.

The first wars her majesty had to contend with, except incipient uprisings in distant parts of the world, began in 1840, when England took the part of the Sultan of Turkey against Mohamed Ali, Pasha of Egypt. In this action war steamers were employed for the first time in the world's history.

For the next few years there were many small wars in all of which her majesty's troops conducted themselves as became the defenders of the earth's greatest empire.

In 1857 Great Britain and France, joined later by Victor Emmanuel, king of Sardinia, engaged in behalf of the Turks, in war with Russia, which was carried on mostly in the Crimea. It was in this war that took place the famous siege of the fortress of Sebastopol which lasted 349 days before the Russians evacuated. It was at the termination of this war that there became fears of a French invasion and the Volunteer Force was formed for the defense of the country.

Early in 1857 occurred a very sad affair in the queen's reign, it being the mutiny of the Sepoys, or native soldiers, in East India when the regiments at Meerut were killed and terrible slaughter was made among the English residents, including women and children. The mutiny which threatened the overthrow of the British dominion at the time was put down the next year and by act of parliament the government of India was transferred from the East India Company to the crown. Nearly 20 years later Queen Victoria took the title Empress of India by which her majesty was proclaimed at Delhi on January 1st, 1877.

During all this time the colonies of the empire were not neglected, Canada, Australia, India, New Zealand, South Africa and others were never lost sight of by the sovereign who ever manifested a mother's interest in their growth, development and welfare.

The war which has waged in South Africa for the past 16 months, which war it is confidently believed is now about to close, has been a source of great anxiety to the aged ruler and it is a matter of general regret that her last days did not see the country over which she reigned so long and successfully at peace with all nations, kindreds and people.

The above are a few of the most important matters and questions with which her majesty had to contend and issues that she was called upon to meet in her public life.

Of her private life we have heard

much and naught to her discredit. As wife and mother, as a kind-hearted, loving woman she was indeed a queen even had she never seen a throne; and in her death one of the noblest creations of God has gone to its reward.

Her star has sunk to rest  
Upon the Golden shore,  
And there in Heaven's diadem  
T'will shine forever more.

The queen is dead. She fell as falls the giant oak in a vast wilderness during a dead calm. As fruit in its season and as wheat ripe for the gleaner has she been garnered.

And I am glad that she has lived thus long,  
And glad that she has gone to her reward.

Nor do I deem that nature did her wrong,  
Sotly to disengage the vital cord;  
For when her arm grew palsied and her eye  
Dim with the mist of years,  
It was her time to die.

Dawson business men have given fitting tribute to the queen's memory in generally closing their establishments for the day.

The populations of the British empire in round numbers reaches 400,000,000 and the area almost 12,000,000 square miles.

## Should Tell It All.

The Rev. Mr. Sinclair gave a lecture in Toronto recently and, as reported by the Globe, he described the killing of "Soapy" Smith at Skagway, and the capture of a lot of his desperadoes. Among them, says Mr. Sinclair, who was in charge of a church at Skagway at the time, was "the editor of a local newspaper, and a member of the board of trustees of a church."

The above was at the time of the trouble supposed to be true, except that one of the supposed members of "Soapy's" crowd was a member of the board of trustees of a school instead of a church.

The man referred to is Dr. J. Allan Hornsby, who at that time was quite active in Skagway affairs, being editor of the Daily Alaskan, a member of the city council and school board. A few would-be reformers, among them being F. H. Whiting, division superintendent of the White Pass & Yukon Ry., decided that Hornsby must go and he went at the instigation of the citizens' committee, being shipped below on the steamer Tartar with 13 other supposed disciples of the fallen "Soapy."

Two months later Manager E. C. Hawkins of the railroad, having carefully investigated Hornsby's connection with the "Soapy" gang decided that a great injury had been done an innocent man, with the result that Dr. Hornsby was sent for and offered the position of assistant surgeon for the railroad company at a large salary.

This was done as a sort of reparation to Hornsby who had been made a victim through the over-zeal of one connected with the railroad. Hornsby held his position long after Whiting was fired. The doctor resigned to come to Dawson last February, going from here to the Koyukuk in March.

In his lecture Rev. Sinclair should tell it all and not leave the impression that the editor and prominent man had not been vindicated.

## New B. C. Railway.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 29.—Application will be made next session for an act to incorporate a company to construct and operate by steam, electricity, single or double track, standard gauge railway, for the purpose of conveying passengers, freight, merchandise and goods commencing near Penticton, Yale, southerly and westerly along Shingle creek to Fish Lake pass, thence southerly along the pass to Fish Lake, thence along Keremeos canyon to Keremeos valley, and southerly through the said valley to Keremeos, and thence southerly through Similkameen valley to the international boundary line at or near its crossing of Similkameen river in British Columbia; also with power to build a branch from the lake westerly through the upper Keremeos valley to Nickel Plate camp and Twenty Mile creek, and also a branch westerly through the Similkameen valley to Princeton.

Application will also be made next session for an act for a railway commencing at a point on the Canadian side of the international boundary line near Cascade City in Osoyoos division of Yale district, B. C., thence along the westerly side of the Kettle river by the most feasible route to a point off the Canadian side of the international boundary line near Carson, Yale, with power to construct and operate branch railways and tramways in connection therewith not exceeding 25 miles in length, and all necessary roads, bridges, ways and ferries.

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