

Coronation Honours—Sir Frederick W. Borden, K.C.M.G., Minister of Militia for Canada.

coronation preparations and have sent our picked veterans and our ablest statesmen to be present at that great event.

At the last moment illness came upon him. The news of the postponement dazed us. Those who read the first bulletins and were the first to spread the news were laughed to scorn. We refused to believe that fate would play us such a trick. When we discovered that it was really so, we were filled with concern-not for the effort and money wasted, but lest a gipsy's vapourings might come true and the first Imperial Edward should not be crowned, lest the man who for years had been "the first gentleman of Europe" should not have the great desire of his heart fulfilled, lest our beloved sovereign should be lost to us so soon. When the better news came, we again took heart, and now we trust that he will be restored to health, given back to us, and crowned with due pomp and glory.

Because the King is human, we sympathize with him. While he has been a great Prince, he has not ceased to be a man. He has our affection as well as our confidence, and many times



Coronation Honours—Sir William Mulock, K.C.M.G., Postmaster-General of Canada.

during the past few weeks we have, with the other peoples in the seven seas, exclaimed

GOD SAVE THE KING.



The first great Imperial pageant was the Jubilee of 1887, the second was in 1897, and the third has been postponed. Those who desire to see the Empire grow into closer unity, must regret the circumstances. Yet all is not lost. There was a Canadian arch in London, which even Mr. Chamberlain honoured by being injured close by, there were Colonial troops in the mud and water at Alexandra Palace, there were Colonial premiers at the Cecil. and there are also some conferences. Much has been accomplished. The Empire is gradually beating its way to a more perfectly organized unit, bound by closer ties and stronger sentiment. When the Australians and the Canadians meet, they will learn something of each other and find where they think alike and unlike. When Mr. Seddon of New Zealand meets Colonel Denison of Canada there will be mutual congratulations and a taking of fresh