The Crown: the Story of the Badge.

BY JOHN O'D. RENNIE.

(Written for The Register,)
While reading the other day, in an
cleut and dusty volume of old French poetry, I noticed an expression of Ducke, a minor seventeenth century writer, that seemed to furnish a good text for the thumbnah sketch of the divelopment of the modern orown given below: 'Oh quali Pour etre haureux, fautil one couronne?' The heavens, faut-il ane couronne?" The question has also a distinct applicability in those latter days to the "upper classes," falsely so called in America. Ja happiness incomplete without a crown or a title? It would seem so indeed, judging from the frequent exhibitions of fluskysism to royalty and royal forms given, day by day, around a This used to be till devoted to the color of the seem of of the

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IN ORECCE AND ROME.

From Persis, Aloxandor the Great insendiced the crown into Greece; in Romes its carliest form was a simple band of gold assumed by the fifth of the kingty line, Tarquintus Priscus, who commenced his reign over six hundred years before Christ. Upon the expellent of the kingty line, Tarquintus Priscus, who commenced his reign over six hundred years before Christ. Upon the Extrance of the Hongard of the Kingt from the Extrance of the Hongard of the Kingt from the Extrance of the Hongard of

him over kings and kingdons, was able to proclaim his supremay over all carthiff thrones. From this central fount of authority the Emperors of the West received their crowns, which were three, namely, the imperial crown of gold, the sliver crown of Germany, and the iron crown of Lombardy. The first of these was, like that in use at Constantinopie, a crick of gold surrounded by a row of pearls and capped by a broad miter. Respecting its signification, it was said: The imperial crown is the circle of the earth, it denotes universal sovereignty."

THE HION CHOWN OF LOBILATOY.
Tho celebrated "Iron Crown," while, as I have remarked, was one of those assumed by the Emperors of the West, is in reality a spandish pwelled diadem of guid, which derives the rather misleading mans from a narrow from rin within it, said to have been hars maked from a mil of the Cross of Christs. It was made in 504 by direction of Theodelinde, willow of the Lombard, Authaus, for presentation to there were did not the company of the company of the company of the company. It is passed to rest upon the brown of Charlemagne, Afterwards the brown of Charlemagne, Afterwards the brown of Charlemagne, Afterwards with the time homored from the own, with the time-homored form the of Longolastic committees, the Man of Longolastic committees in the company of the Australia in Longolastic the him bewere who touched it to me, let him bewere who touched it to me, but the regime of the Australia in Longolastic to the contraction of the Australia in Longolastic the Australia in Longolastic the Australia in Longolastic the Australia in L SACRED CROWN OF ST. STEPHEN.

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Perhaps the people of Hungary have
offered the most absurd example of
crown worship, an unparalleled instance of modern civilized fetclem, in
connection with their "Sacred Crown
of St. Stephen." The tradition at
tached to it runs that when Attila the
Hun was preparing to devastate Rome,
his march was arrested by an angel,
who promised that to his descendants
the Vicar of Christ should give a conve
of eternal duration. Be this fable as
te may, it is authentic history that
Pope Sylvecter II, at the commentement of the eleventh century, did solemily crown the Magyar chieftain
Valk as Stophen. "apostolle king" of
Hungary, and the crown thus conferred has remained to this day the palladium of the nation. Originally its
singe was that of a single goiden dia
dum incrusted with a great variety of
swels, surmounted by a Latin, cross,
and decorated with enamels representing Christ, the Bieseed Virgin Mary,
aposites, martyrs and angels. Attorwards an open coronot presented by
one of the Emperors of the East, waadded to it, the generate his provided by
the with an especial palace and palace guard as wore the
Kings who worn it. Two high officials
were appointed its responsible guard
alan, known as the "Dumwirs of the
Sacred Crown;" and if any king of
Hungary chauced to die before coronation with it, his acts were annulled
and his name stricken from the roll
of the nation's rulers. Whonever, by
some unforcessen accident, it has alisappeared for a time, the whole political
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during that time, and even now, any
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by the French revolutionist of the last
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of Alfred, was his distem. Atholstan won, his distem. Atholstan won, and Richard III surmounted this with crosses. Henry VII. In 1483 closed the cornount with arches above the crosses, and this form is that in use generally at the present day. Other modifications and minor details of ornament have been added from time, to time by various sovereigns down to the present reign's groon. Vintoria's state crown was made by Ruddell & state crown was made by Ruddell & cornous control of the cornous control o sto present reign in quices, whitehes estate crown was made by Ruddell & Bridges, its 1838, chiefly from the July 1878 of the Private crown. Its design is very elaborate and artistic in detail and its monty gene liquide one, large supplirs, sixteen smaller supplires, one seventy-seven pairls, one hundred and forty-seven. Stabed dish, and, over wre're hundred rose dishmonds and over thirteen hundred within the July is a supplied to the stable and a factor of the stable and a factor that is a factor of the value, stringuisted by a drose of dishmonds resting on a huge disental, was and both are now in the treasurise of the Vatican, the stringuist less that the stable and the transmission of the value.

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Of the French crown, a late type was, a gold circlet of eight, flueredge was, a gold circlet of eight, flueredge lik, chosed by eight arched diadems freeting centrally in a double fleer collet, the emblem of the Bourbon mornarchy. The Spanis' crown is of subandiar design; as are s a those of Poland, Portural, Denma: and Sweden and

religion, of which the dutant is the visible head on earth.

The coronet or open diadem, while a form of the crown is worn as a distinctive sign only by orders of nobliticity inferior in rank to sovereigns. The addition of arches to this would indicate an assumption of complete sovereignty by the wearer, but the process of "closing the oroun" has generally involved more danger than is consistent with thorough confort, Cornellie

of "closing the crown has generally involved more danger than is consistent with therough confort, Cornellie aptly observing:

***L'Art of le pouvoir different des couronnes Sont dex dons que le clei fait a peude personnes.**

***WASHINGTON'S WORDS.**
In America the crown has fared rather roughly at the hands of iconclastic republic as found in Washington's dignified, yet withering roply to the continents of the fathers of the Great Republic is found in Washington's dignified, yet withering roply to closen's hicela, who had suggested, that the litustrious commander should cap the climax of his successes by ascending the throne of an American monarchy. The assured sir, wrote Washington, on this occasion, "no occurrence in the course of the war has given me more painful sensations than your information of there being such locas existing in the army, as you have locas or string in the army, as you have a corner of the war has given me more painful sensations than your information of there being such locas existing in the army, as you have a corner of the war has given me more painful sensations than your information of there being such locas or string in the army, as you have a constant of the work has been in the course of the war has given me and repredict with abstrace and repredict with a burner of the work of the work of the course of the war of the course of the war of the work of the

The monarch fears frown, A brickbat's range; Give me, in preference Five shillings change." So mote it be.

WEAK AND NERVOUS.

THE CONDITION OF A YOUNG LADY OF WELLAND.

m the Tribune, Welland, Ont.

From the Tribune, Weiland, un.

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