

A STATELY AND SOLEMN FAREWELL

Britain's Navy Pays Honor to the Mighty Dead and To-day Victoria Enters London for the Last Time

London, Feb. 2.—Half a million people lining the shores of the Solent yesterday witnessed a majestic and inspiring pageant and bade a last farewell to their beloved ruler, happy in the circumstances of her death, the sovereign, and greatest naval power in the world, and fortunate in the manner of her obsequies.

Yesterday's ceremonies made a fitting tribute from a nation owning Nelson for its hero to its dead monarch. All who were witnesses of the function testify to the profound emotion it inspired and agree that the spectacle could not have been surpassed for splendor and solemn effect. The dominant note in the whole scene was its grand simplicity, and so far as human utterance was concerned, its silence.

The weather was the traditional "Queen's weather." The breeze of the day was a steady breeze from the west, to the accompaniment of minute guns and military music, a picture which will live in history.

The elements should prove equally favorable to-day, which at the moment of writing (3 a.m.) seems somewhat doubtful, the millions of the metropolis will witness even a greater tribute to the Queen, who will be buried as a soldier's daughter.

Thousands of troops are now marching into London to breakfast hurriedly, preparatory to taking their places in the line of march. With this peaceful military invasion, is an equally civil invasion from the north.

From Victoria station to Paddington the streets of London are now draped in purple, the color of mourning. St. James' street now meets with a perfect blaze of purple of all shades. Piccadilly is gorgeous with purple cloth, relieved by white bows and rosettes. The lamp posts in the middle of the street are entirely white, and the streets are being sand-papered in preparation for the funeral.

The court sent a special invitation to Mr. Henry White, secretary of the United States embassy, to attend the service at St. George's Chapel Royal to-day, and to be present at the luncheon which will follow the procession.

At Windsor. The town of Windsor has undergone a great transformation. The decorations and preparations for the final scenes continue, but the strangest matter given in Windsor consists of wreaths that continue to arrive from all over the world.

Around The Globe

Memorial Services Are Held for the Queen Who Has Gone.

British Columbia Represented at Ottawa by the Premier and Mr. Eberts.

Foreign Countries Show their Sympathy in the Hour of Grief.

She Rests In the Tomb

Victoria Laid Beside the Prince Consort in Frogmore Mausoleum.

Last Scene in the Funeral Ceremonies of the Dead Queen.

Windsor, Feb. 4.—Hundreds of people poured into Windsor throughout the morning and by 1 o'clock the long walk was already black with spectators, mostly from the surrounding country, waiting for a last glance at the coffin containing the remains of Queen Victoria.

The streets of the old town were still hung with wreaths, sadly faded since Saturday. The stores were closed during the interment.

King Edward, Queen Alexandra, Emperor William and others of the Royal family attended the service beside the coffin at an early hour this morning.

The route was through the Norman gateway of the castle, down the George IV. archway, down the long walk, through the lodge gates and then through the quadrangle to the mausoleum.

The Queen's piers played from the gates to the castle steps, and there the Queen's company of Grenadiers opened outward and formed in double rank on the steps of the mausoleum.

At 2:45 p.m. Sir Walter Parrott and his choir walked down the steps through the crowds to the mausoleum. The service was private as the space was limited.

Following the funeral cortege on the steps of the mausoleum, the piers and the servants went into the mausoleum and took up the positions allotted to them.

At 2:13 p.m. the procession passed quietly out of King George's arch to the Queen's company of Grenadiers, with arms reversed. The Duke of Devonshire, the Duke of Argyll, the Duke of Cambridge, the Duke of Cornwall and the Duke of Devonshire were in the front of the procession.

THE SERVICES IN THE CHAPEL ROYAL

A Magnificent and Historical Scene at the Funeral Rites Over the Body of the Good Queen Victoria.

Windsor, Feb. 2.—The great east window of St. George's chapel, with its quaint stained figures, threw a soft light on this burial and worshipping place of kings. Before each oak stall glistened the wax taper that burns when knights of the Garter worship there.

On each side of the chapel two rows of candles, causing the gold and the red threads of the Knights to glitter in some contrast with these rows of light and color at the long line of princesses and ladies-in-waiting, making a foreground of deepest black.

The profusion of flowers which was displayed outside the chapel ceased within the church, and the early arrivals were ministers and ex-ministers in full state uniform, their breasts a mass of gold braid.

Lord Salisbury followed, wearing a velvet skull cap and wearing a plain court uniform. The first of the diplomatic corps to arrive was the Turkish ambassador, Long before the stalls were filled the nave was packed.

At 2:15 Sir Walter Parrott at the organ commenced playing Mendelssohn's "March in E minor" from the "Song Without Words." The castle clock struck the half of hour and the organ ceased.

Quietly, with no heralding, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Bishop of Winchester and the Bishop of Exeter came from the vestry down to the chancel. The nobles rose to their feet and remained standing behind the Bishop of Exeter.

Mr. Pettigrew referred again to the fact that the senate had refused to pass his resolution, making inquiry for the full records would show that the battle of Manila, 1898, had been ordered from the United States.

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