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ORDER OF FUNERAL PROCESSION ANNOUNCED BY THE EARL MARSHAL.

Military Will Form an Imposing Spectacle--King Edward Will Ride--Emperor William and the Monarchs in the Cortège.

London, Jan. 31.--The earl marshal, duke of Norfolk, gave out the following programme this evening, subject to a change of weather, which may necessitate some of the visiting royalties using carriages instead of riding as indicated: On Saturday, Feb. 2, a guard of honor will be mounted at Victoria Palace at 11 o'clock. On its arrival in London the royal coffin will be removed from Portsmouth to London, arriving at Victoria at 11 o'clock. On its arrival in London the royal coffin will be removed from the carriage by an officer and 12 men of the Grenadier Guards, placed in a gun carriage and drawn by a team of six horses. The procession will then move in the following order: An officer of the headquarters staff. Bands of the Household Cavalry. Volunteers. The First South Middlesex Rifles. The Middlesex Engineers. The Tynesmouth Artillery. The Warwickshire Yeomanry. The Colonial Corps. A detachment formed under the orders of the colonial office and an officer commanding the revolutionary station at Shorncliffe. Militia. The Third Battalion of Gordon Highlanders. The Third Battalion of Royal Welsh Fusiliers. The Fourth Battalion of Norfolk. The Honorable Artillery. A detachment of the Army Veterinary Department. The Army Pay Corps. The Army Chaplain's Department. Royal Army Medical Corps. Army Service Corps. Representatives of the Indian Army--selected for India Office. Infantry of the line. The Fourth Battalion of the Rifle Brigade. The Royal Irish Fusiliers. The Second Battalion of the Highland Light Infantry. The Fourth Battalion of the King's Royal Rifle Corps. The Royal Fusiliers. The First Battalion of the Royal Lancashire Fusiliers. The Irish Guards. The Scots Guards. The Grenadier Guards. The Corps of Royal Engineers. The Royal Regiment of Artillery. Cavalry of the Line. The Twentieth First Lancers. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The Grenadier Guards. The Royal Marine Light Infantry. The Royal Marine Artillery. The Royal Navy. Military attachés and staff of the Army. Field Marshals. Band of the Royal Light Infantry. The Guards' Band. Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery Bands. The Royal Horse Artillery. The Royal Band. Two White Sticks. Gun carriage, surrounded by bearer-party of non-commissioned officers of the guards. Outside of these, on either side, will be two lines, as follows: On the left of the carriage--The Lord Chamberlain, aides-de-camp, the Queen's physicians, Sir James Reid, equerries and lord in waiting. On the right of the carriage--The Lord Steward, aides-de-camp, equerries and lord in waiting. Immediately behind the gun carriage company will be the King, riding. On his left will be the duke of Connaught, and on his right Emperor William, lord riding. Following these come the royal family, royal representatives and master of the horse, all riding. Four four-horse carriages, conveying the Queen and princesses will be next, and then the kings of Belgium, Portugal, and the Hellenes, probably riding, closing the escort. London, Jan. 31.--A special train this morning brought to the Clarendon station a number of members of royal families upon the continent, here for the purpose of attending the funeral of Queen Victoria. Among those who arrived were the Crown Prince of Sweden, Prince John George of Saxony, the Prince of Saxe-Altenburg, Prince Wladimir-Petrovich and the Prince and the Princess of Schaumburg Lippe and their respective suites. They were conducted in royal carriages to Buckingham Palace and the various hotels. His Majesty King Edward VII was represented at the station by one of his grooms in waiting. It is estimated that at least 60 royal princes will take part in the funeral procession. Hon. boys will line the route from the Long Walk gates to Windsor Castle, while the Military Knights of Windsor will be on duty in the chapel during the funeral services. The royal order that the drapery of buildings be purple has created no little consternation. Many buildings in London and other places are already covered with black, and it will come to the end of expense to make the necessary alterations, and in addition the supply of purple is already getting short. London, Jan. 31.--It appears that after her death Queen Victoria was arrayed in her royal robes, with all her foreign orders and decorations. Over these and across her breast was laid the ribbon and order of the Garter. Her bridal veil was then placed over her head and face. The pavilion being erected at Victoria station, London, is a beautiful structure, 40 feet long, 15 feet high and 11 feet wide. It is exquisitely draped outside with purple cloth and white silk embroidery and inside with royal purple and white satin, the roof being striped alternately with silver and purple tapestry. A marble bust of the Queen on a massive pedestal holds the centre of the pavilion.

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MONUMENT AT OTTAWA.

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THE STEEL SHIPS.

F. H. Clergue Interviewed at Sydney.

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Big Convention of Christian Endeavorers.

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REPORT OF THE DOMINION DEPARTMENT OF MARINE.

Casualties Were 151, Representing a Tonnage of 59,066, and Value of \$356,848--Expenditure Less Than the Amount Appropriated.

EXPLOSION OF TREMENDOUS FORCE FOLLOWED BY A GREAT FIRE.

Tower of New York Cigar Factory Was Wrecked--Later, Fire Broke Out and a Million and a Half Loss Sustained--Several Accidents.

New York, Jan. 31.--An explosion this afternoon in the cigar factory of the W. W. Wickes Co., in East 31st street, by which over 20 persons were injured, was followed at 7 o'clock tonight by one of the fiercest conflagrations New York has witnessed in many years, causing an estimated loss of \$1,000,000. The burned area in general extent took in about one city block. The Wickes Company's building, a seven-story factory of the William Wickes Company, manufacturers of cigar boxes, labels and ribbons, at 401 to 419 East Thirty-First street, was shaken last afternoon by an explosion in the "shaving tower" which wrecked the tower and demolished the roof of the engine house. The explosion is believed to have been caused by gas accumulating. The force of the explosion was tremendous and completely wrecked the tower. The brickwork fell on the engine house, crushing it and the explosion cracked the big smokestack, 100 feet high, over the engine room. Nearly 80 persons were at work in the Wickes factory at the time of the explosion. Three hundred and fifty of them were women. In both buildings a panic ensued, but only two persons were seriously injured. A score or more were slightly hurt by being cut with broken glass or struck with flying splinters. The loss caused by the explosion amounted to several thousand dollars. Fire, resulting in damage to the extent of \$1,000,000, started about 7 o'clock in the Wickes Company's building tonight. Within half an hour the entire building extending half the length of the block in front of the East River was in a mass of flames and the firemen, ceasing their attempts to save the building, turned all their attention to the adjacent structures. The Wickes building was at that time burned to the ground. Just before the company's main building was burned, a ladder against the south wall on which fireman Peter Coyle was perched, broke. Coyle was thrown to the ground and his head was struck by the wall. He was killed. The water tower, hook and ladder No. 7, was suspended from the middle of the block in East 31st street, but the heat was so intense that, after the hook had been taken out, the men were compelled to abandon the tower. In a few minutes it was twisted by the heat and was a mass of ruins.

THE ROYAL BRIDEGROOM.

Queen Wilhelmina's Future Husband Warmly Welcomed at the Hague.

The Hague, Jan. 31.--Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, whom Queen Wilhelmina will marry, made his formal entry into the capital at 8 o'clock this evening wearing the uniform of a Dutch general and Dutch decorations. He was received at the railway station by a guard of honor and with great ceremony. The premier welcomed him on behalf of the cabinet as "his betrothed of our beloved Netherlands and a Dutch subject."

SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

Word in Winnipeg that the Premier Has Abandoned Australian Trip.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 31.--Announcement is made here that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has abandoned his proposed trip to Australia and the next summer he will visit British Columbia and the Yukon instead.

STEVE BRODIE NO MORE.

The Sporting-Man and Bridge Jumper Died in Texas.

San Antonio, Tex., Jan. 31.--Steve Brodie, the bridge jumper, and sporting man of New York, died here tonight of consumption.

SUICIDE IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Jan. 31.--(Special)--W. Edouard Hagar, aged about 30, who recovers from the wholesale crockery business of Edward Hagar & Co., was found dead in his office on St. Paul street last night, having been dead since Monday. It is supposed he shot himself through the head.

GOING TO PARIS.

Montreal, Jan. 31.--L. Robinson, manager of the Montreal Park and Island Railway, has resigned that position to accept the superintendency of a department in the General Transport Company of Paris.

COAL LANDS BONDED.

A Hundred Million Tons in Sight--Campaign at Ottawa for Bonus for Railroad in Connection.

Toronto, Jan. 31.--(Special)--T. G. Blackstock tonight confirmed the announcement that the Gooderham-Bastick syndicate had bonded the coal lands of Nicola Valley, B. C., where it is estimated 100,000,000 tons of coal are in sight. The probability of beginning operations on a large scale depends somewhat on the railway rates level. Nicola Valley is between the Similkameen and Kamloops and a line from there would pass close to the projected line from Boundary through Vancouver for which both the C. P. R. and Mackenzie and Mann have a charter. A campaign will be made at Ottawa this session for a bonus for building the road.