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(Associated Press.) Cowes, Jan. 22, 11 a.m.—No further information regarding Her Majesty's condition has been obtained since the 8 o'clock bulletin was issued.

No Change for Worse. London, Jan. 22.—The official bulletin issued at Osborne House at noon to-day says there has been no change for the worse in the Queen's condition since this morning's bulletin.

Death Imminent. Cowes, Jan. 22, noon.—The news from Osborne House confirms the belief of everyone that the death of Her Majesty is imminent, and its announcement at any moment would not be a surprise.

The weather is cold and raining. Beyond newspaper correspondents, few persons are about the gate of the Royal residence. Mounted messengers from Osborne ride through Cowes at intervals at break-neck speed sending off the latest tidings to officials and foreign courts.

Slowly Sinking. London, Jan. 22.—4.35 p.m.—A bulletin from Osborne House, timed at 4.35 p.m., says the Queen is slowly sinking.

From Prince of Wales. London, Jan. 22.—4.35 p.m.—A bulletin posted at his Mansion House reads as follows:

life of our beloved Queen is in its greatest danger. (Signed) ALBERT EDWARD. London, Jan. 22.—4.47 p.m.—In reply to the Prince of Wales's telegram the Lord Mayor, Mr. Frank Green, dispatched the following:

I have received Your Royal Highness's sad intimation with profound grief which is shared by the citizens of London, who still pray under Divine Providence the irreparable loss to Her Majesty's devoted family and loyal subjects throughout the Empire may still be averted.

Grief Stricken Londoners. London, Jan. 22.—1.40 p.m.—The gloomy faces of crowds approaching the bulletin board at the Mansion House indicated how little the public hopes to receive better news of the Queen's condition.

Sympathy from Canada. London, Jan. 22.—The following telegram has been received by the colonial secretary from the Governor-General of Canada:

The new King was born November 9th, 1841; married March 10th, 1863, Alexandra of Denmark, born December 1st, 1844, and has issue, Albert Victor, Duke of Clarence and Avondale, born January 8th, 1884, died January 14th, 1892; George Frederick Ernest Albert, Duke of York, born June 3rd, 1895, married July 6th, 1893, to Princess Victoria Mary (Mary of Teck), and has issue a son Edward, A. C. G. A. D. B., born June 23rd, 1894, the third in direct line of succession to the throne.

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THE QUEEN IS DEAD.

Privy Councillors will also be sworn in to-morrow. Parliament will assemble within twenty-four hours of the death of the Queen, in accordance with the precedent in the case of George III.

Recognized the Emperor. Berlin, Jan. 22.—2.30 p.m.—The correspondent of the Associated Press here reports from an official source that Queen Victoria recognized Emperor William when the latter went to her bedside yesterday, giving a sigh of joy. She was unable to converse with him.

The News at Ottawa. Ottawa, Jan. 22.—As soon as the cable was received here at 2 p.m. announcing the Queen's death a proclamation was arranged to be issued at the secretary of state's office containing the services of all persons who hold office under the Crown, and the oath of allegiance will be taken by all who require it to do so.

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of the Empress-Queen, and the advent of a King.

There were few visible signs in London to-night that anything unusual had happened. A drizzling rain kept most people within doors.

The Queen passed quite peacefully. She suffered no pain. Those who were now mourners went to their rooms.

It was feared that the Queen was dying about 9 in the morning, and carriages were sent to Osborne cottage and the rectory to bring all the princes and princesses and the Bishop of Winchester to her bedside.

Message From Lord Mayor. London, Jan. 22.—There is little doubt that the funeral of Queen Victoria will take place at Frogmore, though nothing in regard to this matter has yet been announced.

Passed Away Peacefully. Cowes, Isle of Wight, Jan. 22.—No member of the Royal family left Osborne House to-day. A changing group of correspondents loitered about the gates.

Everywhere, in vehicles and on the streets, the one topic of conversation was what would happen under the new reign, rather than the life and death of Victoria.

The probability that King Edward will take up a practically permanent residence in Buckingham Palace was much canvassed. This is a question that comes very much home to Loaders.

Not until Queen Victoria has been laid at rest beside the Prince Consort, at Frogmore, will the theatres or music halls reopen.

RECEPTION OF THE NEWS. In Vancouver All Places of Business Were Closed in Afternoon.

Vancouver, Jan. 22.—On the arrival of the news of the Queen's death all the flags in the city were floated at half-mast and the bells tolled for several hours.

Major Townley sent the following cable to Hon. Joseph Chamberlain: "The citizens of Vancouver are stricken with grief at the death of our beloved Queen, and desire to request you to convey to His Majesty and the royal family our deepest sympathy."



THE LATE QUEEN.



THE NEW KING.

THE QUEEN IS DEAD.

"Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria passed away at 6.55 p.m." Such was the brief announcement which set the bells tolling solemnly and caused the flags to droop in all parts of the British Empire to-day.

THE KING.

As Prince of Wales King Edward VII. was by common consent admitted to be the "most popular man in England."

THE VICTORIAN ERA.

Some of our contemporaries on the other side were considerably perturbed in mind a day or two ago as to what would happen in the event of the death of the Queen.

progress of the time has been such as to make Great Britain, with her wonderful merchant marine and trade, one of the wonders of the world. The years 1837 to 1839 saw the general development of the railway system in Great Britain, the construction of the electric telegraph, and the first successful attempts to use steam for the purposes of trans-Atlantic navigation, and in 1840 penny postage was introduced.

FRUITS OF MONOPOLY.

Prince Edward Island is not satisfied with the telegraph service given it by the company which controls the wires on and to the island. We sympathize sincerely with our brethren in the far east. We are living in happier days now, but there was a time when we too had a grievance of substantially the same kind.

The dispatches told us the other day that "the Queen had dropped asleep in the arms of the Princess of Wales." Her Royal Highness is not only the first lady in the land, but also first in the hearts of her people.

There is one feature of the situation which, while no doubt irritating to the business men of the Island, is particularly pleasing to those who desire to see everyone who can go through life easily and pleasantly.

CIVIC IMPROVEMENTS.

The Mayor in his modest inaugural address sketched a very comprehensive programme for the new century council. We fear the resources of the city will not permit of its being carried out to the letter in one year, therefore we hope to see the imperative needs of the community attended to first, leaving matters of minor import to take their chances of being proceeded with as soon as financial circumstances will permit.

Mr. Langley, in a communication printed elsewhere, deals with one matter which should receive early attention. We do not think there is any division of opinion as to the necessity of building a new bridge at Point Ellice and improving the Esquimalt road.

The question of paramount importance to Victoria at the present time, however, is the conservation of the public health. We have been at great expense in the construction of a system of sewerage which has in a large number of streets rendered no effect because some residents have refused to avail themselves of it and the authorities either have not the will or the power to enforce the provisions of the ordinance.

It is also deplorable that some parents are so indifferent to the well-being of

their neighbors and the health of the community as to neglect to inform the health authorities when their children are suffering from infectious diseases. Some are even sent to school—through carelessness, no doubt—to breathe contagion among their companions and bring unnecessary suffering, sorrow and expense upon the community.

It is reassuring to have the promise of the Mayor that the matters under discussion are to receive early attention. We hope that consideration will be immediate and that the first step will be the enforcement of connection with the sewers in all streets in which they are laid.

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THE ESQUIMALT ROAD.

To the Editor:—It has always seemed to me that in the early part of the year suggestions upon public questions are singularly opportune, for the reason, amongst others, that they are not then so likely to meet with the reception "received and filed" which is so often the beginning and the end of their contemporaries of later months.

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A Drastic Proceed

U. S. Officers Deal Sum With Japanese Found Waldron Island. Probability That a Protest Be Made By the Japanese Consul.

As stated briefly in the Times evening, the United States cutter called at this port yesterday afternoon, and while cutting wood on Waldron Island, the men in the cutter, who were under the command of the United States Navy, were found to be in possession of a large quantity of opium. The cutter was ordered to leave the port immediately, and the men were taken to the cutter. The Japanese Consul is expected to make a protest against the action of the United States Navy.

