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KNIGHTS OF MALTA AT ST. KITTS
St. Catharines, June 26.—St. Catharines Chapter-General of the Knights of Malta in Canada met in annual session here yesterday. There were a large number of delegates from Toronto, Hamilton, London and St. Catharines. The meeting was held in the Knights of Malta Hall and Grand Master E. Collett, Toronto, presided. Other officers in attendance were C. Nash, Toronto, grand lieutenant; Alex. Johnson, West Toronto, grand pilot; Dr. Burns, East Toronto, grand captain guard; A. G. Harwood, Toronto, grand chancellor.

A Generous Gift.
St. Catharines, June 26.—H. E. McLeay, treasurer of the St. Catharines General and Marine Hospital, has received a letter accompanied by a check for \$1,000 from David B. Mills, a St. Catharines' old boy, who has recently been visiting his native city. The money is to be added to the proceeds of the fair of nations, which will be held this week in the armories here in aid of the hospital.

DEAD SOLDIERS WERE HONORED
Niagara-on-the-Lake, June 24.—An event of great historical interest took place yesterday morning when Brig. Gen. W. H. Cotton and his staff, with an escort of soldiers from the camp and the Canadian Army Service Corps band, crossed the river to participate in the burial of the bones of the four soldiers of the King's Eighth Infantry, unearthed at Fort Niagara.

HALTING IN FRONT OF THE FORT CHAPEL, the bones of the four soldiers were brought out in a single casket on the shoulders of six stalwart U. S. sergeants. Marching to the solemn dirge of the Dead March the cortege proceeded to the old military cemetery just outside of the walls of the fort, where foundations were laid by the French, where the casket was slowly lowered into the grave.

THE SERVICES were held by Rev. Mr. Capp of the Ninth Regiment, assisted by Rev. S. R. Wood, chaplain at Fort Niagara, and Capt. Baynes-Reed, chaplain of the 9th Mississauga Horse. After the burial service was read a firing party from the 29th U. S. Infantry fired three volleys over the grave, and four Canadian buglers, Sergt.-Major M. Caughan of the 35th Regiment, Sergt.-Major Elton, R.C.D.; Trumpeter Foster, G.G.B.G., and Trumpeter Simpkins, R.C.D., sounded the last post.

DOCTOR WOULD DIE FOR WOMAN
Los Angeles, Cal., June 26.—Dr. H. S. Tanner of this city, 62 years old, "the original 40-day faster," has offered himself as a substitute for Mrs. Angelino Napolitano, who is under sentence of death at Sault Ste. Marie. His offer follows:
To the Hon. Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada, Ottawa:
Dear Sir,—An Aug. 9 of this year there is scheduled to be hanged in Sault Ste. Marie prison one Mrs. Angelino Napolitano, sentenced to die because she killed her husband to protect her honor.
Her death will leave four children now living motherless. It will also orphan a month-old babe, yet to be born.
Her execution will be nothing short of murder—the foulest blot on the criminal annals of yours or any other country.
Permit me to offer myself as a substitute for Mrs. Napolitano. May my life be taken that the law may be appeased without robbing five young children, one a month-old babe, of a mother.
Awaiting instructions from your honor, I remain, yours very truly,
H. S. Tanner, M.D.

First English Letter.
The oldest letter written in English of which there is record was that of Sir John Pelham in London by his wife, who was then in Kent. That letter is dated March 22, 1399, and was sent to London by messenger. Up to the commencement of the reign of Edward I, all letters, even of the most private nature, were written in Latin. About the time of Edward's accession French, which had been the spoken language of the court from the time of the conquest, began to be used in written correspondence. In the reign of Edward III, the English language, in pursuance of an act of Parliament, was made the language of legislation.
—London Globe.

Scene in Westminster Abbey Was One of Unparalleled Magnificence.

London, June 23.—King George, eighth of the House of Hanover, was yesterday consecrated to the service of the British Empire, and in turn received the public homage of his world-wide subjects.
With his consort, Queen Mary, His Majesty was crowned in the Abbey of Westminster, with all the wealth of religious rites and royal ceremonial prescribed within the grey-walled fabric of the medieval splendour. The coronation services, solemn and imposing, were those handed down from the earlier centuries, and the actors in the principal secondary roles of to-day's great function were garbed in reproductions of the multi-colored, gold-embroidered trappings worn by their ancestors in bygone generations. The latter made up a wonderfully effective setting around the central figures.
Outside, the usually dull streets had been transformed into a mass of color. The King and Queen's progress to the abbey and the return to Buckingham Palace was an unbroken ovation. The route was hedged with a vast polyglot host, with a back-



HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE.

HER MAJESTY, QUEEN MARY.

ground of bravely decorated viewing stands and windows and roofs, all of which were crammed to their capacity.
Hundreds of thousands of spectators shouldered themselves hoarse at central points, like the Mall, and the entrance to the admiralty archway, where the Government stands held a score of thousands. Trafalgar Square was so densely packed with humanity that it would not have been difficult to traverse the square walking on the heads of the people. Parliament Square, Club Land and Constitutional Hill held their countless hordes.
All the ladies, apart from the peeresses, were arrayed in court costumes, with white feathers in their hair. Many wore tiaras. There was a treasure of precious stones never before collected in one place, and costly enough to buy the ships of the British navy. The ladies-in-waiting to the Queen in the abbey were four duchesses, each being attired to carry into effect a color scheme of shot gold. One wore gold, shot grey, with pearls; another gold, shot blue and topaz jewels; a third, gold shot cerise, with rubies; a fourth, gold, shot green, and emerald ornaments. Princess Mary wore a short white frock and a long royal violet train suspended from the shoulders with gold cord tassels bordered with ermine and gold braid.

Three-Hour Ceremony.
The ceremony in the abbey consumed more than three hours. The state-ly ritual of the Established Church, combined with the coronation rites, uncharged with the traditions of faded centuries, and Sir Walter Parratt's impressive music, which continued throughout—now a soft accompaniment, then the choir intoning the service, then the majestic hymn, and, at the culminating points, the roll of drums and the blast of trumpets—to make every moment one of intense interest.
The Archbishop of York's sermon had as its text: "I among you as he that serveth." He said:
"Pray for our King, that his strong trust in God may keep him faithful to God's trust in him—to be among the people in this homeland, among the multitudes of India, among the strong young nations over the seas, the one man raised above private and local interests to think of all, to care for all, to unite all in one fellowship of common memories, common ideals, common sacrifices. This is indeed a kingly life. Pray that God may give the King His grace to live it."
Apart from the processions, the solemnity and the paraphernalia of state, there was an undercurrent of human interest. Most appealing, Queen Mary, although she bore herself with regal stateliness during her crowning, was at first noticeably nervous. While the King was being anointed and crowned she had her handkerchief to her eyes frequently. The King, when he received the homage of the heir, displayed a father's affection.
Crowds Waited Long.
Both routes of the procession were filled up long before the troops had found their places. The early arrival of cavalry in brilliant uniforms, accompanied by bands, afforded almost as interesting a show as the procession itself, and then came royal carriages and coaches taking robed and veiled men and daintily dressed women to the abbey for the ceremony. Soon after 7 o'clock carriages and motor cars began to crowd the entrance. Admiral Count Togo and General Count Nogi, the Japanese veterans, came in the first open carriage, a royal one, with scarlet liveried coachman and footman. They were accompanied by British attaches, and being recognized, were given a hearty welcome, to which they gratefully bowed. Then came a stream of royal carriages, bringing the King's guests to see him crowned.
The ambassadors and the ministers came in their own carriages, and for two hours there was a continuous flow of vehicles of every color and design. The royal carriages and dross coaches were most gorgeous affairs. They were filled with peers in robes, some wearing their coronets as the easiest way, and others carrying them in their hands, and peeresses with magnificent robes over marvelous dresses.
Although hundreds of carriages dropped their guests at the Abbey en-

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STRANGE SPEECH BY FRENCHMEN

Montreal, June 26.—The celebration of St. Jean Baptiste Day here terminated with the holding of a large banquet, at which prominent French-Canadians from all over Canada and the United States were present.
Many important subjects were brought up by the speakers.
Mr. Justice Constantineau of Ontario drew a contrast between conditions prevailing in this province and in the Province of Ontario. Here the minority lived in peace with the majority, because justice was given all round. In Ontario, though the French-Canadian minority lived in peace, a species of armed peace it was. In the great work of opposing assimilation all along the line, French-Canadians of Quebec should be the guiding star of their compatriots throughout all the provinces of the Dominion as well as in the United States.
Armand Laverigne, M.P.P., opened with an attack upon the policy of immigration now being pursued. This was threatening to swamp French-Canadians in the United States.
Oliver Asselin, in taking up the situation in Maine, declared that matters were critical there for French-Canadians. A bishop had closed a parochial school because the French was there taught, and a similar course had been taken in regard to a bilingual school. French-Canadians must needs resist such tactics, which were patently designed to efface their race.

Coronation Accidents.

London, June 22.—Two fatal coronation accidents had been reported. At Lyme-Regis a cannon, with which a salute was being fired burst and a prominent citizen was blown to pieces.
At Barnstable an archway in the street collapsed. A woman was killed and a number of men and women were seriously injured.
During the progress of the royal procession an Indian officer was thrown from his horse in the Mall and trampled on, but not dangerously injured.
A cavalry horse, frightened by the drums, scattered a crowd, but was caught by a policeman before it had done any serious damage.

Perforated Stamps.

The man who invented perforated sheets of stamps made a big fortune out of the idea. It is said to have first occurred to a hunting man who wanted to stamp a letter, but could not lay his hand on a knife or scissors. He suddenly bethought himself of his spur. Running the rowel along, he perforated the edges of the stamp, tore it off and thus started a revolution.—London Tatler.

Practical Religion.

The story is told of a little housemaid, far over the sea, who, when asked whether she realized that she was in any way different after uniting with the church from what she had been before, thought for an instant and then, smiling brightly, said, "Well, I sweep the corners. She could hardly have given a better demonstration of the reality of her religious life.—Christian Herald.

District Attorney Accused.

Albany, N.Y., June 24.—Accusing District Attorney W. A. Blakely of Pittsburg with aiding Andrew W. Mellon, a Pittsburg millionaire banker, in his attempt to secure a divorce from his wife, Alton B. Parker yesterday made a plea to Governor Dix not to honor the requisition of Governor Tener of Pennsylvania for the extradition of Albert George Murphy and Captain T. W. Kirkbride, residents of London, England, who are wanted to testify in the divorce proceedings.

THE FIRST TEA-PARTY.

It is of interest to know that the first "tea-party" in England dates from the reign of Charles II. Early in that reign, Henry Bennet Maitland, Earl of Lauderdale, a member of the Merrie Monarch's notorious Cabal Ministry and James Butler, the fifth Earl of Ossory, brought from Amsterdam a parcel of tea, which Celestial jam had just been brought to Europe by a ship of the Dutch East India Co. In his town mansion, Arlington House, which stood in Buckingham Palace grounds, Lord Arlington gave the first tea-party in England. It was reported that the invited guests, great lords and ladies of the court, made one and all, wry faces when they sipped the novel beverage.

Canadian Boys' Brides.

Recently two Canadian boys led to the altar prominent English ladies. The story of how Mr. Hamar Greenwood met his bride during the earthquake at Jamaica has been told, but it is not generally known that the engagement of Mr. Claude Bryan of Toronto to the niece of Lord Furness grew out of a casual acquaintance made on board ship while crossing the Atlantic. The future Mrs. Bryan has literary tastes and naturally the two found much in common. It was not surprising that the friendship lasted and ripened.
When Mr. and Mrs. Bryan settle down in their town house in London, they will have as next door neighbor Lord Beresford. Across the street is the residence of Mme. Melba.

Willing to Make Sure.

To a London bus conductor who was calling "Hangel and 'Ighgate, Hangel and 'Ighgate" an old lady several times put the question, "Are you quite sure you go to the Angel?"
The man's answer came at last.
"Well, mum, it's writ all over the bus, and I've been callin' it out for the last 'arf hour, so I believe we do, but I'll ask a policeman, if you like."
—London Telegraph.

Excursion to Beaverton Saturday

The annual excursion of St. Andrew's Sunday school was held on Saturday. As the train left the

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