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Sympathy for Queen Mary

Even at the outset of the recent constitutional crisis, when in some sections of the Empire partisan feeling ran high and the support of public opinion veered first to one side and then the other in the dispute, never was there any feeling toward her Majesty Queen Mary than one of the deepest sympathy for her sorrow and disappointment, not only as Queen but as a woman and a mother.

As the consort of one of the greatest and best loved of the Empire's rulers, she had come into very close touch with the people and held a full share of the love inspired by her Royal husband, King George V. She had helped to guide the destiny of Britain during one of the stormiest and most dangerous periods in its long history, and she had watched with pleasure the affection universally accorded her eldest son, the then Prince of Wales.

At his succession she must have had the highest hopes for the greater glory of the Empire under his rule, and must have foreseen for him a reign of unprecedented brilliance.

Some slight realization of the agony through which she has passed in recent weeks her people are able to gain through her own stunned amazement at the King's failure; but only those who have endured a similar ordeal can understand fully, and fortunately few are in a position to meet an exactly parallel experience.

Today, whatever other feelings may be inspired by the most dramatic incident in the history of the Empire, all British peoples mourn with Queen Mary for him whom both she and they loved—and love—dearly, and for whom they hoped great things.

May the healing hand of Time soothe her sorrow, and may she find comfort in the wise and efficient reign of her younger son, his Majesty King George VI.

New King Means Many Changes

When the excitement associated with a drastic change of British Monarchs subsides and the Empire resumes again the even tenor of its way, there will be a great many lesser things calling for attention. These will involve a lot of work. There will be the taking of a new oath of allegiance by all high officials of State, and by regular troops paraded for the purpose. These latter will also be served different uniform markings.

All Governments throughout the realm must secure new Great Seals. There will be much printing to do. Stationery for all official purposes must be changed to conform with the reign of another King. It will be the same with legal documents used by courts in all sections of the Empire. The Church of England Prayer Book and ritual will need correction. Immense quantities of stationery associated with the reign of a Sovereign have been printed since the accession of King Edward, and it is doubtful that much of this may be used now. Medals and other decorations prepared in connection with the Coronation now are obsolete.

Postoffice Departments will be particularly affected. New stamps to be issued. The lettering on mail-carrying vehicles to be altered, as the familiar "E.R." henceforth will be without meaning.

However, all this change will be effected speedily and quietly as were the major incidents of a tragically sudden emergency that meant the abdication of one Sovereign and the accession of another to a Empire's Throne. Thus smoothly are the State affairs of one-fourth of the earth's people conducted.

It Seems to Surpass "Knock" for Horror

A new craze has come to take the place of the late unlamented "handies" and "knock-knock," and from the way it's taking hold of otherwise peaceable citizens and converting them into rabid fans for the fad, it looks as if "Society Notes" are here to stay. Well, for a time, anyway!

Time was, and not so long ago, when a man heard one of the "knock-knocks" he lifted his hands or rolled up his sleeves either in horror or anger. Now he just wracks his brains for a new name to be put on the "register" and guffaws loudly at the sallies of the more adept at the new fad.

"Society Notes" has no rules; that is, grammatical rules. A word may be twisted into an unrecognizable counterpart of itself, and when a group of fans get together the result is something to terrify a lexicographer and bring smiles of joy to the manufacturer of headache powder.

"Mr. and Mrs. Flour," chuckles one addict, "and their son . . . heh . . . Carl E. Flour!" there are gales of un-suppressed laughter at this one, and like horrors soon follow.

Mr. and Mrs. Darne and their son, John Darne. Mr. and Mrs. Bearer and their son, Paul Bearer. Nothing is sacred to the "Society Noters," and even American womanhood falls into the category with Sue R. Kraut, Bess Steel (a French jai!) and Pola Bear being the leading debutantes on the more witty "rosters."

"Society Notes" depends on the "skill" of the persons involved, and at times very amusing effects can be created.

Some of them are so amusing that they inspire laughter even in the more "sane" members and divert them from their criticisms and references to "an era of mass hysteria" and "morons."

Advice to Male Christmas Shoppers

Fight against temptation to buy for the wife's mother what you'd really like to give her. You may be arrested if you yield to fit.

Waste no time in deliberating over what to buy father. Get him a shirt. He'll be so busy taking the pins out of it all day Christmas that he won't notice that he didn't get anything else.

If the little woman asks you to wait near the front door while "she looks around," don't entertain false hopes. She will have already decided on your Christmas present—a new rug for the living room.

Don't worry because your better half mills through holiday throngs with the family funds in her handbag. A special Providence protects those who thus tempt purse-snatchers trying to go straight.

In selecting junior's present pick out the mechanical toy that interests you most. He'll have the time of his life watching you play with it through the Merry Yuletide.

Buy the wife something to wear, and, lest she stick up her nose at it, explain, when you hand it to her, that you chose it because you thought she'd look like Mrs. Simpson with it on.

SNAPSHOTS

The new train service recently inaugurated by the C.P.R. on the Gibson branch should be of benefit to the Christmas shoppers and to the merchants as well. The service is one of the best in recent years.

Kitchen for Mayor 1937, Mundle for 1938 seems to be the forecast now.

Daphne, a nymph in Greek mythology, fled from the embrace of Apollo and was changed into the Laurel tree. Yesterday at the Hub city, Daphne was charged with smiting a provincial constable, Magistrate Lane in a more indulgent manner than the Greek model of physical perfection, ordained that Daphne go unmolested for having used her womanly rights bequeathed her by the modern gods of today, of taxpayers and property owners.

Rev. Mr. Kirkland's letter in today's paper is worth reading, even though everyone will perhaps not agree with him. Mr. Kirkland has a mind of his own and knows how to express himself. He expresses the ideas of many people who could not express themselves as well.

Without apology for or explanation of a period of absence, both China and Spain enter the war news again.

"There's no money in heaven," declares an evangelist. This probably explains why so many people go to hell trying to get hold of some.

We are split into many classes or factions, each having a distinct principle or faith or creed which means "Gimme."

If some people are snooty, it's the fault of others. Being in an exclusive social set wouldn't be fun if nobody else wanted to get in.

Nations trying to preserve peace have tried everything except that ancient policy known as the Golden Rule.

Notwithstanding the many "Doubting Thomases," the Fredericton Bridge WILL be built.

Mrs. Simpson

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King's love affairs began getting so much space in the newspapers. It reached its climax when the British Cabinet took a hand in things and it began to look bad for the King. A bus driver strolled into a Fourth avenue book stall and asked for Green's History of England, in one, two or three volumes. If no Green's available, then any history that would tell the story. A three volume set of Green's England found a new owner right then. "We have had a lot of calls for histories of England," said the clerk.

Books on England have been in heavy demand at the libraries. One of the attendants at an uptown branch of the Public Library said: "It looks as if everybody wants to know why the King can't marry the woman of his choice, without having a bunch of bigwigs interfere with him." In home libraries where books of England had to be dusted off faithfully for years, there has been a lot of conning lately. Characters in English history who have been forgotten for years are getting acquainted with the people again.

New C. N. R.

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would not be capable of handling present day needs. It will also be necessary as soon as spring opens to provide an improved right of way between McGivney Junction and Devon in order to provide for the heavier locomotives and heavier rolling stock which might be used in the transportation of grain and other commodities from Western Canada to the seaport at Saint John.

The old Canadian National Railway bridge at Fredericton was swept away by the ice on the evening of March 19 last. After standing for fifty-two years the long structure over the Saint John river was ripped from its foundation and flung along on a crest of broken ice jam. The earliest breakup of the Saint John river since 1825 caused this destruction. The bridge was in the form of a nine steel span on concrete piers. The concrete piers still remain.

Since its construction the C.N.R. traffic in and out of Fredericton has been conveyed by motor conveyances across the highway bridge to trains at South Devon. The Canadian Pacific Railway also handles passenger and freight traffic in this way.

New Archbishop

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The news was anticipated some time ago and it has been received with much interest in this province, as the new prelate is a former pastor of the town of Campbellton. The new Archbishop of Moncton was born at Three Rivers, Quebec, in 1879, and was ordained in July, 1905, by the late Bishop Barry of Chatham. He was for a time located at Balmoral. In 1916 he was named vicar-general for the Diocese of Chatham and was created a Monsignor. On November 29th, 1932, he was appointed Bishop

OUR MAIL BAG

Harvey Clergyman Discusses Divorce and Remarriage

REV. R. J. Kirkland of the Harvey Presbyterian Church writes on a live topic as follows:
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA

Harvey Station, N. B.,
December 16th, 1936.
To the Editor,
The Daily Mail,
Fredericton, N. B.
Dear Sir:

"A Christian minister who dares to say anything which even remotely appears to defend any action of the abdicated Monarch, now runs the risk of being seriously misjudged and in consequence, soundly condemned. I take such risk in the interest of healthy honesty and as a protest against hypocrisy which now masquerades in high places in the garb of piety.

"The action of Edward the Eighth in renouncing the Throne focuses attention upon two related questions which the Protestant Church had better settle in its own mind and conduct, namely, marriage and divorce. Where does marriage get its sanctity? Not from the State through a registrar nor from the Church through its representative the minister who happens to perform the "ceremony" it ought to be a sacrament—but from the Divine Blessing which God bestows upon man and woman who pledge their life and love and loyalty each to the other. Of such a union it can truly be said 'Whom GOD HATH JOINED TOGETHER let no MAN put asunder.' Of how many Royal marriages from Henry the Eighth onward could it be said 'Whom God hath joined together'? It would be nearer the mark to say 'Which diplomatic and political asperations have united.'

"Organized religion is fully aware that family life in almost every country is fast breaking up. Why? Because the marriage was not a sacred one in its inception. It could not possibly be said of thousands of marriages on this continent 'whom God hath joined together.' The tendency is for marriage to become more and more a civil contract. It is not over stating the case to speak of the Tragedy of Marriage when you acquaint yourself with the domestic life resulting from these unholy alliances. The Church knows the sordid story and it is the same whether among the "smart set" or any other set—men and women who smoke, drink, gamble, live loosely and then take Sacrament. What has the Church done to curb these people who look upon marriage and divorce with a sickening frivolity? Has she ever refused their financial help? Why doesn't the Protestant Church come out plainly on the question of Divorce? Does she believe in it or not? Does she believe that under any circumstances a bad vow is better broken than kept? Does she believe that divorced people wishing to marry should be allowed to and receive the Church's benediction? Whatever be the belief, the practice is common within the ranks of Protestantism. The Archbishop of Canterbury and his Bishops would do a greater service to organized religion by clarifying this inconsistent situation than by throwing stones at the exiled Monarch when his back is turned. As I write news comes over the air of the growing wave of indignation created by the tactless public utterance of the Archbishop against King Edward. It is significant to me that Premier Baldwin found it necessary to secure the backing of Labour in the British House before he took his stand on the question of a morganatic marriage for the King. Why seek this assurance? Not chiefly because Labour was the Official Opposition but because it represented the stronger and healthier morality to be found among any classes in the old land. How admirably this played into the hands of Baldwin in his pious stand before Parliament.

What IS the crime of the exiled Monarch? He has vowed to marry a woman twice divorced. It is the FACT of divorce which to the average Britisher is wrong—MORALLY wrong but of course NOT wrong morally or otherwise to British Aristocracy for they are the people who practice it most and the objection of divorce does not come from that quarter except as magnanimous sham.

"But that is not the only reason or the chief one which made Edward's position as Monarch untenable. Well might British statesmen fear a Constitutional Crisis of the first magnitude. The stage was all set for it, one word from the Monarch would have rallied the masses to his standard and precipitated a crisis of far-reaching and terrible consequences. It speaks volumes for the self control, love of Empire and statesmanship of King Edward that HE handled that delicate situation so well. British tradition cannot tolerate a King who dares to be more than a symbol of bygone days. Edward could never wear a strait-jacket however decorated, much less could he become a rubber stamp. He spoke as a sympathetic man to the miners of South Wales and the workers of Glasgow and promised help. Kingly indeed. But Kings must not talk like that; it lowers their dignity and reflects upon the Government of the day and offends big financial interests. So speaks tradition and its voice sounds like one from the tomb or a distant past. Passive goodness in a King may symbolize British tradition and continue to be her fetish, but thrones are not made permanently secure by that. In the light of history the writer firmly believes that Edward by his Royal acts of twenty-five years of service did more than any King before him to establish Britons Throne in the hearts of the people.

"The pious reproof of would-be counsellors of the King is pitiable in the extreme when viewed in the light of present conditions in Church and State relative to marriage and divorce. Without knowing the merits of the case of Mrs. Wallis Simpson, the honesty and straight-forwardness of the King have been refreshing in these days of subterfuge and make believe. God bless the Duke of Windsor and "Let him that is without fault cast the first stone." I serve under the banner of One Who punctured many of our foolish notions when He said 'That in Heaven there is neither marrying nor giving in marriage.' True marriage is a matter of the spirit.

I am Sir,

Yours sincerely,
R. J. KIRKLAND,
Minister."

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NOTICE

This is to give notice to the public concerning the sale of property belonging to James B. Duffy by the Town of Devon and advertised in local papers. The buildings belonged to Mr. Duffy but the lot of land mentioned in the sale was under lease to Mr. Duffy and he has no interest or claim on this land whatever.

GEORGE HAYES.

Campaign

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other given period of your whole life. It is worth just as much to any other candidate entered in the campaign.

But if you allow another to make better use of his or her time than you are making of yours, the result will show for themselves when the judges make the awards.

Public Interested

As the closing hours rolled around for the "first period" finish, much interest was seen back of the several candidates, and now this same interest has fanned itself into a blaze until most people in Fredericton are as much interested in seeing their candidate win as the same candidate is in seeing themselves win.

The public realizes that they are not only helping their favorite win but that they are subscribing for a paper that is boosting Fredericton and the district surrounding to the full limit, besides giving the public the news while it is news.

Standing of Candidates

Here is the first vote standing of the contestants in The Daily Mail's big contest. A percentage of their total votes are shown in this standing:

Mrs. Clara Woods, City	140,000 votes
Ralph Chapman, City	136,000 votes
Mrs. Ivan McKeil, Devon	132,000 votes
Mrs. Ralph McNeil, Devon	129,000 votes
Phyllis MacDonald, Nashwaakasis	126,000 votes
Beatrice Legere, City	120,000 votes
Mrs. Guy Lamson, City	116,000 votes
John C. Wood, Maugerville	113,000 votes
Edna Gilmore, Marysville	112,000 votes
Harold Tibart, City	110,000 votes
Mrs. H. E. Tracy, Tracy	5,000 votes
Miss Nan A. May, Fredericton Jct.	5,000 votes
Charles Charters, Fredericton R. R. 5	5,000 votes
Estelle Williams, Mouth of Keswick	5,000 votes
Pearl Gorman, Burt's Corner	5,000 votes
Neil A. Allen, Penniac	5,000 votes
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NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Fredericton Branch Canadian Legion, will be held in the Club Quarters, on THURSDAY EVENING, December 17th at 9 o'clock.

Nomination of officers and executive for ensuing year. Refreshments.

FRED I. HAVILAND,
Secretary-Treasurer.