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MERRY OLD ENGLAND.

John Bull and His People—Record of Events in the Right Little Island—Interesting But Not Cabled.

The Mayor of Hythe has been chosen baron to represent Hythe at the coronation.

The Birmingham Town Council has decided to spend £5,000 on the coronation festivities, to be raised by public subscription.

A bed for a patient suffering from cancer is to be endowed at the New Hospital for Women, Euston road, in memory of the late Emperor and Empress Frederick.

The Marquis of Abergavenny, Lord Lieutenant of Sussex suggests a line of bonfires throughout the Sussex hills as a pleasing way of celebrating the coronation.

An ex-officer of the Guards, who wishes to remain incog., has given £500 towards the expenses connected with the erection of the new Soldiers' Home in London.

For delaying eleven electric trams 20 minutes by driving his van at a walking pace in front of them a carman was fined at the West London Police Court recently.

During the week ending May 10, twelve steamers landed at Liverpool from American and Canadian ports 3,977 cattle, 3,390 sheep, 50,641 sheep carcasses, and 19,730 quarters of beef.

A well-dressed man was walking over London bridge when his hat blew off, and in his attempt to save it he fell over the edge, striking the buttress before reaching the water.

Hampstead Borough Council decided to place a tablet in the Town Hall bearing the names of all the Hampstead men who have served in the war. Some 450 names will be inscribed.

Thirty pounds was paid in London last week for a presentation copy of "David Copperfield," bound in red morocco and bearing the signature of Charles Dickens on the dedication leaf.

Coronation robes have been ordered for the Baroness Clifton of Leighton Bransford, who is only two and a half years old. Her dress will be on the regulation lines prescribed for peacocks.

When the new electric cargo cranes are in full operation at both Dover and Calais, it is expected that some twenty minutes less time will be occupied in the journey from London to Paris.

Color-Sergeant W. J. Mears of the Oxfordshire L. I., fell out whilst on parade at Cowley Barracks, Oxford. Soon after he blew out his brains with his rifle. A month ago he lost his little son.

The volunteer officers' decoration has been granted by the King to the Dean of Westminster on the completion of his twenty years' service as chaplain to the Queen's Westminster Volunteers.

The curtain fell the other night for the last time in a London playhouse which has enjoyed a number of successes and almost as many failures. The Globe theatre has had a "life" of over forty years.

The office of Lord Great Chamberlain is likely to be merged in some other or given to someone whom the King selects. Lord Ancester is said to have spent nearly £10,000 in advancing his claim against others.

Sir Edward Bradford has invited pensioners who have left the Metropolitan Police since 1890 to serve for a period of fourteen days certain, or one month, to assist in preserving order in the streets at the coronation.

Memorial tablets have been placed in St. Andrew's Church, Kentish Town, to Pte. F. L. Davenport, Royal Fusiliers, and Pte. W. R. Angel, Sussex Regiment, two members of the congregation who have died in South Africa.

An inmate of the Lambeth casual wards threw her baby out of the window. It fell a distance of 15 feet on to some stone siftings, but escaped without injury, a shawl wrapped round its body breaking the force of the fall.

An unlooked for incident occurred during a matinee performance of "Ulysses," at Her Majesty's Theatre, London. One of the workmen employed in the flies missed his footing, and fell with a thud on the stage. Though badly bruised, he escaped further injury.

The coronation medal has been issued. The obverse bears the portraits of the King and Queen, and the reverse a seated figure of Britannia regarding the towers of Westminster Abbey. The medal is issued in gold, silver and bronze at prices ranging from £30 to 1s.

At Lambeth County Court it was alleged that while a nineteen-year-old defendant had been carrying on a grocery business under the name of "Long and Son," he was at the same time employed as a messenger boy in a Strand hotel at a salary of 11s. a week and tips.

An old widow at Chorley recently bequeathed £30 to a local grocer,

she had saved most of the money from out-relief given by the Chorley Guardians. The legatee has now handed over £21 to the parish authorities, after distributing the remainder of the bequest among the old woman's relatives.

Five hundred of the married women of Aldershot camp have subscribed towards a Life Governorship of the Aldershot Hospital, and presented it to Lady Audrey Buller, as a mark of their appreciation of all that she has done on their behalf during the time of their husbands' absence in South Africa.

Rent-Payers' Paradise.

The governing authorities of Bloomfontein have hit upon an effective method of solving the rent problem in that city. They have abolished the problem by prohibiting house-owners from raising the rents.—From the South African Note Book.

GILBERT PARKER'S VIEWS.

The Novelist's Ideas on His Art Are Good Ones.

In his literary letter to The May Era from London, James Walker Smith writes entertainingly about Gilbert Parker:

Since Mr. Parker came to London there has been a tendency in the literary world to rally him for the seriousness with which he takes himself. When he writes critically it is with a labored pen, and when he makes a speech, that speech is usually heavy with purpose.

There may be some basis for the attitude of the outside public towards him, and that he is not genuinely popular is a statement of considerable truth. The man, however, is, I think, a force to be reckoned with, and within the last two or three years his reputation as a thinker has been increasingly acknowledged.

With others, I appreciate him most when he is serious, and a recent lecture which he delivered on the art of fiction before the Sesame Club ought to show to outsiders that it is sometimes a very good thing for novel writers earnestly to espouse their art. It is not possible here to give more than a mere excerpt or two from Mr. Parker's address.

In dealing with the subject of the test of a novel the speaker said: "There is only one test for a novel; that it be first and before all a well constructed story, that it deal sincerely with human life and character; that it be eloquent of feeling; that it have insight and revelation; that it preserve idiosyncrasy, but, before all, that it be wholesome. To produce such a book," he added, "a sane tolerant and impartial temperament and a wide knowledge are necessary. When a man has real character—a real power and genius—his book is himself."

Mr. Parker, in this address, also pointed out the necessity in every book of a dominant note, which, in the very first chapter of the book, should be struck, and should recur throughout the book like the motif in an opera. The conclusion of his address was a distinctly pretty piece of oratory.

"In the thing really great," he said, "there is no eccentricity, nothing morbid. It is all normal, but the normal form and power are infused with life, composed of genius—the supreme and perfect sanity. One must be in earnest. A man must hold his art seriously—himself as nothing—the vehicle, the machine, the loom through which pass the strands of emotion or experiences of passion, of human comedy and tragedy woven into a web of life which man, seeing, shall say: 'Behold, this is the garment of truth; this is the mantle of beauty!'"

If some of the principles enunciated by Mr. Parker were to be observed by the younger writers of the day, and if they were to take themselves at times as earnestly as he, there would be fewer books published, more reputations worthily earned, and more books of a lasting character to be treasured.

Publishers may not care to have such comments written, but it expresses a growing feeling among those who love the best in literature to say that the number of books issued yearly could be cut down at least one-half, and that a lot of dross would then have to be shaken out before these novels, written in due honor of the art of fiction, could be selected.

The West Indian Volcanoes.

The volcanic outburst in the West Indies and the response along the corresponding line of torsion around the earth is accounted for in Lowthian Green's theory of the formation of continents advanced in his book, "Vestiges of the Molten Globe." Green conceives of the earth as infolding upon itself in the gradual process of cooling, in the form of a six-faced tetrahedron, the ocean forming the sphere and the continental projections the protuberances of the faces whose geographical distribution has been determined by the law of the rotating sphere, the different parts of which have concordant velocities. The diminution of the velocity in the northern protuberances caused by increasing distance from the centre, and at the same time an accession of velocity in the southern protuberances, would cause a rupture and account for that remarkable circumferential depression marked by the Gulf of Mexico, the Mediterranean Sea, the Persian Gulf and the Australasian Archipelago. If the theory be correct that line of torsion is not likely to ever be a permanent or safe home for

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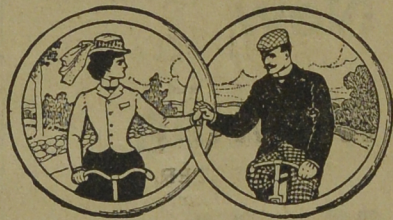
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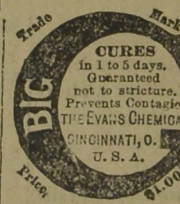
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