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Whitehall, January 23, 1901.

ON Tuesday afternoon, the twenty-second of January instant, at half-past six o'clock, our late Most Gracious Sovereign Queen Victoria expired at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, in the eighty-second year of Her age, and the sixty-fourth year of Her reign. This event has caused one universal feeling of regret and sorrow to Her late Majesty's faithful and attached subjects, to whom She was endeared by the deep interest in their welfare which She invariably manifested, as well as by the many signal virtues which marked and adorned Her character.

Upon the intimation of this distressing event, the Lords of the Privy Council assembled this day, at St. James's Palace, and gave orders for proclaiming His present Majesty, who made a most Gracious Declaration to them, and caused all the Lords and others of the late Queen's Privy Council, who were then present, to be sworn of His Majesty's Privy Council.

WHEREAS it has pleased Almighty God to call to His Mercy Our late Sovereign Lady Queen Victoria, of Blessed and Glorious Memory, by whose Decease the Imperial Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland is solely and rightfully come to the High

and Mighty Prince Albert Edward: We, therefore, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal of this Realm, being here assisted with these of Her late Majesty's Privy Council, with Numbers of other Principal Gentlemen of Quality, with the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of London, do now hereby, with one Voice and Consent of Tongue and Heart, publish and proclaim, That the High and Mighty Prince, Albert Edward, is now, by the Death of our late Sovereign of Happy Memory, become our only lawful and rightful Liege Lord Edward the Seventh, by the Grace of God, King of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India: To whom we do acknowledge all Faith and constant Obedience, with all hearty and humble Affection; beseeching God, by whom Kings and Queens do reign, to bless the Royal Prince Edward the Seventh, with long and happy Years to reign over Us.

Given at the Court at *Saint James's*, this twenty-third day of *January*, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one.

George.
Arthur.
George.
Christian, Pr. Schleswig-Holstein.
F. Cantuar.
Halshury, C.
Devonshire.

Salisbury.
Norfolk, E. M.
Portland.
Pembroke and Montgomery.
Clarendon.
Charles T. Ritchie.
J. Chamberlain.
Northumberland.
Cadogan.
Fife.
M. E. Hicks-Beach.
Ashbourne.
St. John Brodrick.
Knutsford.
Balfour of Burleigh.
George Hamilton.
Lansdowne.
Walter H. Long.
Spencer.
Argyll.
Rosebery.
Alverson.
A. Akers-Douglas.
Chesterfield.
Cork and Orrery.
A. L. Smith.
Kintore.
Ridley.
H. Campbell-Bannerman.
G. Shaw-Lefevre.
Fred. Milner.
John E. Gorst.
A. Graham Murray.
C. Robert Spencer.
Ripon.
Goschen.
H. H. Asquith.
Morris and Killanin.
John Ryby.
Pirbright.
W. Hart Dyke.
Richard Temple.
Selborne.
Arth. James Balfour.
John H. Kennaway.
W. C. H. Lecky.
Robert Montagu.
Roland Vaughan Williams.
Robert Komer.
A. H. D. Acland.
W. V. Harcourt.
F. H. Jeune.
Leonard H. Courtney.
H. Drummond Wolff.
James Stirling.
Charles W. Dilke.
Stalbridge.
M. E. Grant Duff.
R. Couch.
John Morley.
Rothmore.
William Ellison-Macartney.
Hobhouse.
Rowton.
Herbert Maxwell.
Charles Stuart-Wortley.
Evelyn Ashley.
James Bryce.
Henry H. Fowler.

R. Henn Collins.
Colville of Culross.
Willelm. Ebor.
C. Seale-Hayne.
James Lowther.
Edmond R. Wodehouse.
Ford North.
Horace Rumbold.
Hertford.
T. F. Halsey.
Carrington
 (Joint Hered. Great Chamberlain).
Jesse Collings.
Brampton.
Yarborough.
S. Ponsonby-Fane.
A. W. FitzRoy.
J. H. Harrison.
E. S. Hope.
W. R. Walkes.
Charles Dalrymple Hay.
Frank Green, Lord Mayor.
David Evans, Alderman.
W. P. Treloar, Alderman.
J. Whittaker Ellis, Alderman.
Henry E. Knight, Alderman.
Reginald Hanson, Alderman.
Joseph Savory, Alderman.
Walter Wilkin, Alderman.
Joseph Renals, Alderman.
H. D. Davies, Alderman.
Alfred J. Newton, late Lord Mayor.
John C. Bell, Alderman.
H. George Smallman, Alderman.
G. Prior Goldney
 (City Remembrancer).
Joseph C. Dimsdale.
Marcus Samuel.
J. T. Ritchie.
G. Wyatt Truscott, Alderman.
Saml. Green.
Forrest Fulton (Recorder).
G. Faudel Phillips,
 Alderman, City of London.
John Pound,
 Alderman, City of London.
John Knill, Alderman.
T. Vezey Strong, Alderman.
Thos. Boor Crosby, Alderman.
W. Vaughan Morgan,
 Alderman and Sheriff.
Joseph Lawrence, Sheriff.
W. J. R. Cotton, Chamberlain.
John B. Monckton, Town Clerk.
F. E. Bosanquet,
 Common Serjeant.
Homewood Crawford,
 City Solicitor.
Thos. Vaughan-Roderick,
 Secondary of London.
E. A. Baylis, Comptroller.
J. D. Langton, Under Sheriff.
Thos. H. Gardiner,
 Under Sheriff.
William H. Weldon.

GOD save the KING.

AT the Court at *Saint James's*, the 23rd day of *January*, 1901

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HIS Majesty being this day present in Council was pleased to make the following Declaration:—

"Your Royal Highnesses, My Lords, and Gentlemen, This is the most painful occasion on which I shall ever be called upon to address you.

"My first and melancholy duty is to announce to you the death of My beloved Mother the Queen, and I know how deeply you, the whole Nation, and I think I may say the whole world, sympathize with Me in the irreparable loss we have a'l sustained.

"I need hardly say that My constant endeavour will be always to walk in Her footsteps. In undertaking the heavy load which now devolves upon Me, I am fully determined to be a Constitutional Sovereign in the strictest sense of the word, and as long as there is breath in My body to work for the good and amelioration of My people.

"I have resolved to be known by the name of Edward, which has been borne by six of My ancestors. In doing so I do not undervalue the name of Albert, which I inherit from My ever to be lamented, great and wise Father, who by universal consent is I think deservedly known by the name of Albert the Good, and I desire that his name should stand alone.

"In conclusion, I trust to Parliament and the Nation to support Me in the arduous duties which now devolve upon Me by inheritance, and to which I am determined to devote My whole strength during the remainder of My life."

Whereupon the Lords of the Council made it their humble request to His Majesty that His Majesty's Most Gracious Declaration to their Lordships might be made public, which His Majesty was pleased to Order accordingly.

A. W. FitzRoy.

AT the Court at *Saint James's*, the 23rd day of *January*, 1901.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

His Royal Highness the Duke of York.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and Strathearn.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cambridge.

His Royal Highness Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein.

Archbishop of Canterbury.

Lord Chancellor.

Archbishop of York.

Lord President.

Lord Privy Seal.

Duke of Norfolk.

Duke of Argyll.

Duke of Portland.

Duke of Northumberland.

Duke of Fife.

Marquis of Lansdowne.

Marquis of Hertford.

Marquis of Ripon.

Lord Steward.

Lord Chamberlain.

Earl of Chesterfield.

Earl of Coventry.

Earl of Kintore.

Earl of Rosebery.

Earl Spencer.

Earl Cadogan.

Earl of Cork and Orrery.

Earl of Yarborough.

Earl of Kimberley.

Earl of Selborne.

Earl Carrington.

Lord Robert Montagu.

Lord George Hamilton.

Viscount Knutsford.

Viscount Goschen.

Viscount Ridley.

Lord Arthur Hill.

Lord Colville of Culross.

Lord Balfour of Burleigh.

Lord Suffield.

Lord Ribblesdale.

Lord Rowton.

Lord Hobhouse.

Lord Ashbourne.

Lord Stalbridge.

Lord Morr-s and Killanin.

Lord Burghclere.

Lord Rathmore.

Lord Pirbright.

Lord Brampton.

Lord Robertson.

Lord Alverston.

Mr. Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. Ritchie.

Mr. Chamberlain.

Mr. Brodrick.

Mr. Evelyn Ashley.

Mr. C. R. Spencer.

Sir Frederick Peel.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach.

Sir J. C. Dalrymple Hay.

Sir Richard Couch.

Mr. James Lowther.

Sir W. Hart-Dyke.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt.

Sir M. E. Grant Duff.

Mr. Shaw Lefevre.

Sir Charles Dilke.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman.

Sir Edward Malet.

Sir H. Drummond Wolff.

Mr. A. J. Balfour.

Sir Arthur Otway.

Mr. John Morley.

Mr. J. W. Mellor.

Sir Henry Fowler.

Mr. L. H. Courtney.

Sir J. E. Gorst.

Mr. W. L. Jackson.

Mr. Akers-Douglas.

Sir Francis Jeune.

Sir Archibald Smith.

Mr. Arnold Morley.

Mr. Asquith.

Mr. A. H. D. Acland.

Mr. J. Bryce.

Mr. Jesse Collings.

Mr. Seale-Hayne.

Mr. Staveley Hill.
 Sir Algernon West.
 Sir John Rigby.
 Mr. Walter Long.
 Sir Richard Temple.
 Mr. Stuart-Wortley.
 Mr. A. Graham Murray (Lord Advocate).
 Sir Horace Rumbold.
 Sir John Kennaway.
 Mr. Lecky.
 Sir Herbert Maxwell.
 Sir Richard Henn Collins.
 Sir R. Vaughan Williams.
 Mr. E. R. Wodehouse.
 Sir Robert Romer.
 Sir Ford North.
 Sir Frederick Milner.
 Sir James Stirling.
 Mr. W. Ellison Macartney.

HIS Majesty, at His first coming into the Council, was this day pleased to declare that understanding that the Law required He should at His Accession to The Crown take and subscribe the Oath relating to the security of the Church of Scotland, He was now ready to do it this first opportunity, which His Majesty was graciously pleased to do, according to the Forms used by the Law of Scotland, and subscribed two Instruments thereof in the presence of the Lords of the Council, who witnessed the same. And His Majesty was pleased to order that one of the said Instruments be transmitted to the Court of Session, to be recorded in the Books of Sederunt, and afterwards to be forthwith lodged in the Public Register of Scotland, and that the other of them remain among the Records of the Council and be entered in the Council Book.

A. W. Fitz Roy.

By the KING.

A PROCLAMATION,

Requiring all Persons being in Office of Authority or Government at the decease of the late Queen, to proceed in the execution of their respective Offices.

EDWARD, R.

WHEREAS by an Act made in the sixth year of the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne intituled an Act for the security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the succession to the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant line; it was enacted that no Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within the Kingdoms of Great Britain or Ireland, Dominion

of Wales, Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, and Sark, or any of Her Majesty's Plantations, should become void by reason of the demise of Her said late Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, Kings or Queens of this Realm, but that every person and persons in any of the offices, places, and employments aforesaid, should continue in their respective offices, places, and employments, for the space of six months next after such death or demise, unless sooner removed and discharged by the next Successor, to whom the Imperial Crown of this Realm was limited and appointed to go, remain, and descend: And whereas by an Act made in the first year of His late Majesty King William the Fourth now intituled "The Colonial Offices Act, 1830," it was enacted that no Patent, Commission, Warrant, or other Authority, for the exercise of any office or employment, Civil or Military, within any of His Majesty's Plantations or Possessions abroad, determinable at the pleasure of His Majesty, or of any of His Majesty's Heirs and Successors, shall by reason of any future demise of the Crown be vacated or become void until the expiration of eighteen calendar months next after any such Demise of the Crown as aforesaid: We, therefore, with the advice of Our Privy Council, declare Our Royal Will and Pleasure to be, and do hereby direct and command, That all and every Person and Persons, who at the Time of the Demise of Our late Royal Mother, of Glorious Memory, duly and lawfully held, or were duly and lawfully possessed of or invested in any Office, Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Dominion of Wales, Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Isles of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, or Man, or any of Our Foreign Possessions, or Colonies, or Our Empire of India, do severally, according to their Places, Offices, or Charges, proceed in the Performance and Execution of all Duties belonging to their respective Offices whilst they shall hold the same respectively during Our Pleasure; and We do hereby require and command all Our loving Subjects to be aiding, helping, and assisting, at the commandment of the said Officers and Ministers, in the Performance and Execution of their respective Offices and Places, as they and every of them tender Our utmost Displeasure and will answer the contrary at their Peril.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, this twenty-third day of *January*, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one.

GOD save the KING.