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King George and his Court

As the end of the year of mourning for King Edward approaches the intereset of the British people in the new court grows keener.

The personalities of King George and Queen Mary are not as yet very well known to the great majority of their knowledge increases. Gradually but surely an idea, a mental portrait of them, their character and personalities is forming in the minds of the people.

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It is already safe to say that when that mental picture is complete it will be entirely to the satisfaction of its makers. At the very beginning of his reign certain stories that had long been current to the discredit of King Goorge were wisely tackled and killed. Now a new idea of the man is rapidly forming itself.

Much as they loved King Edward, the English people recognize that a man of a very different type may be equally worthy of their affection. Edward VIII. loved society for its own sake; it is no secret that George V. does not. Like his father, he is a keen sportsman and a hard worker but possesses less of that superfluous energy which made the late King throw himself with the same zest into the social as into the more serious side of life.

Queen Mary is essentially a mother. It will perhaps be impossible for her to be as much in the public eye from a merely social point of view as was. Queen Alexandra, who came to the throne when the more absorbing side of her domestic duties may be said to have been at an end. But it was as the devoted mother while Princes of Wales that Alexandra gained that deep hold on the affections of the English people which she has never lost.

As Queen and mo ther, Mary will probably follow in her foots teps. With the smarter element of society she may not be entirely popular, but that element is not important.

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When Queen Victoria died there is no doubt that the court and society as a whole need a fillip. An idea has been gradually gaining ground that in the last year or two society had forced the pace a little and that had King Edward lived his unerring instinct would have told him this.

His successor has come to the throne at a moment when a brilliant cour is less of a necessity than it was ten years ago. The required social impetus has been given, and it is not likely that its effects will quite wear off. A restraining influence, it is felt, will not now come amiss. It must and will be exercised with tact and discretion, for society to-day can be led but not driven.

King Edward at the earliest moment possible abolished the somewhat antiquated methods of the Victorian court. The old day drawing rooms gave place to evening courts. The waiting outside the palace gates, wit ladies in court dress shivering in their carriages, was done away with.

Instead of waiting for wearyhours before passing the presence, people went to a brilliant evening party, and instead of going empty away, they sat down to a splendid supper. This change was representative of many more. It is unlikely that the procedure of court entertaining will undergo

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much change in the new reing. Bat it is probable that the next few years will see more of statelineses and loss of brilliance about the court than in the reing of King Edward.

The late King and Queen Alexandra moved about a great deal in society, dining and attending balls at the greater houses during the London season and constantly visiting about among their personal friends in the country. It is likely that the present King and Queen will go less into general society, par fewer country house visits, except for apecific purposes, and themselves entertain much less in the country than did their predecessors. For one thing, they possess no adequate country house of their own except the far distant. Balmoral, and entertaintng at Windsor necessary partakes more of state than did the cheerful house parties at Sandringham, where King Edward alway loved to be.

Like the late King Edward, King George is a capable letter writer and deals with much of his correspondence in person. He prefers a plain white paper of rather large size and as a rule writes on one side only, carefully numbering his pages as he goes forward.

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The paper is embossed with the imperial crown surmounting the royal monogram, while in the other corner is "Windsor Castle," "Buckingham Palace," or "York Cottage." This embossing is at present in black owing to the court morning, and there is a thin black edge around the paper. In the court morning, and there is a thin black edge around the paper. In the court morning, and there is a thin black edge around the paper. In the court morning, and there is a thin black edge around the paper. With its every similar to that used by King Edward and his secretaries. King George, however, differs from his father in using a fountain pen. King Edward heartily disliked this modern convenience and preferred the old fashioned quill pen, which Queen Mary uses a long slender gold pen with a gold nib, which was given to her by the present Prince of Wales and Prince Albert some yers ago.

In addition to the note paper described King George has another style for use when he is travelling. This kind has the royal cipher but no printed address. All his letters are sealed with the royal seal by his secretaries. His hundwriting is annull and very clear, every letter being distinctly formed. He writes very rapidly and is never at a loss for a word, and this does not mean in English only, for much of his correspondence with the Duke of Connaught when he is away. Price Alexander George of Teck and other members of the royal family, while he addresses long letters to Queen Alexandra, when he does not see her daily. He does most os his writing in the early morning. All his mail except letters of an obviously private character is opened by one of his secretaries.

usually Lord Knollys, and is placed in leather baskets, being sorted according to the nature of its contents. The King reads all these rapidly and notes on the back or on slips of paper attached the nature of the reply he wishes sent. Such letters as he desires to deal with himself are put aside.

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Queen Mary is also a good correspondent. She writes to her two sons who are at school twice a week, sending them long letters of advice and encouragement, and she also writes long letters to royal friends and relatives in other countries. Her notes paper is exactly like that of the King.

Cricket at Barbados

M. C. C vs. Barbados

From a late Barbados paper called "The Weekly Illustrated paper" we are able to give our readers the full scores of the first match by Mr. Somerset's XI and Barbados XI at Kensington Oval on Monday and Tuestay 6th and 7oh inst, and which anded in a complete victory for the "Bimshives."

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Current News.

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Juan Chaves, ex-policeman who made an attempt to cut his throat a few days ago appear to have made a poor job of it as he returned to his house after the doctor had bandaged the wound. We don't know if the law will take any notice of the attempt at suicide, but what we know is that if he was in a British colony he would be qualified for a "long

term" rest at the expense of King George V.

At a meeting of the Synod (Bap-tist denomination) held in King-ston Jamaica, the sur of £20 was voted to help to pay the debt on the mission house at Turrialba.

The Baptist Synod that met recently at Kingston has voted the respectable sum of £30 towards school work at Jacmel, Haiti.

It is announced at Jamaica that Rev. Chas. Chapman has been appointed Agent in Costa Rica for the Missionary Society in con-uction with the Baptist. The appointment will not exceed three months.

Mr. F. A Brown, Chairman and Mr. F. A Brown, Chairman and Manging Director of the International Trading and Investment Company, operating in the Republic of Pánama and Boses del Toro arrived here on the gasoline launch Washington on Friday last from Bocas. He intend spending 4 weeks here in the interest of the company. It is also his intention to visit the sections on the lines, beginning from this week.

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The United Fruit Company's steamer "Heredia", left Port Limon on Friday night last for New Orleans via Puerto Barrios with a cargo of bananas amounting to 55,000 stems, also mails and passengers. The following is her list. For New Orleans: Walter Miller, J. C. Maxwell and wife Miss Dugan, Sam Tilton, Alfred Syrett, J. S. Kendall, N. J. Haynes, Mrs. A. Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Richardson, J. M. Lunz, K. G. Walker. For Barrios: Victor Fernandez, Manuel Goyenaga and wife, Miss Luisa Lujan, Marta Lujan, Federico Hochetter, M. F. V. de Gutiérrez and wife, Mrs. Rosa G. de Bolandi, Miss Lillian Bolandi, Miss Alela Dent, F. Weisbook, P. A. Lindsay and F. Schultz and deckers.

For Bluefields
The launch Vanguardia will sail for Bluefields on Friday, 3 rd March, taking freight and pas-

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A Rude Servant

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An absurd and disgraceful scene took place in one of the coaches during the conveyance of the remains of the late Captain Felsen. Our readers might have noticed of late that a tall meagre looking and dusky man, dressed in black with cap to match; also carrying a bludgeon of same has knocking around the Ferro Carrill station kicking up a row with whoever feel disposed to. We are told that this man is employed to keep order, or something like it at the station. It happened that he took the liberty of leaving his charge and joined the orderly company for Camp One.

While on the way this man became positively offensive to persons that were paying their last ...spect to the dead captain. After trying to get as many persons off the train as he could he seized a defenseless man and gave him a good thrashing with the blak stick he carried. A corporal of police that was in the coach at the time said it was an advantage and took him in char.

ge; he showed the police his whistle and said he was a police too, but to no effect, he was car-ried to the cuartel and locked up

Dishonest Man

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Yesteday morning betwen the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock a Spanish man decently claded attempted to rob two dollars from a woman, a vendor of American apples. It appeared that this woman when opposite Bartolli and the United Fruit Company Retail Comissary she met a loctery ticket seller whom she owed some money. When near to him she stopped and thoust her hand into the pocket of the apron the was wearing and drew out four one dollar bills, the wind was blowing very brisk at the time and two of the dollar bills flew from her, immediately the man swing the corner and snatched up the money. He was seen by the lottery ticket seller who called a policeman and related the matter to him. The man stoutly denied having picked up the two dollars, and declared it was only one dollar he picked up and which fell from him. He was taken to the cuartel and searched but no other money was found on him. At the cuartel he sagain denied having picked up the woman's money, but quickly after he admitted that it was not his and that the other dollar was in the possession of the lottery ticket seller. The man stated that he cas a compositor and was employed at "The Nation."

Home Rule in Sight

Foolish Cry

nel in force today for the preliminary skiemish on the Home Kule question with arose as a result of an Auendanent to the address in reply to the speech from the Thome moved in the lower House by Mr. Malcolin, the Conservative member for Croyden, Complaining that the obscurity of the Ministerial statements on the subject of Home Rule which a owedly was one of the main reasons for altering the existing Constitution hampered an effective deliberation on the proposed change of the relations between the Live Houses of Parliament, Mr. Malcolm asked on hath terms peace had been patched up between the Liberals and Nationalists. He claimed that the Land Purchase Act permitting Irish tannits to acquire property had knocked the bottom out of the demand for Home Rule and protested a quist an attempt to smuggle Home Rule through by a Single Chamber Government.

The Premier followed, and in a brief speech, which the Model of the Control of the Control

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