

KING & QUEEN VISIT ISLE OF MAN.

History was made in the Isle of Man when Their Majesties arrived ~~announced~~ at Douglas. For the first time a King of England was to attend a meeting of the Tynwald, the ancient Parliament. The Mayor and Mayoress of Douglas escorted the Royal visitors.

Two paintings of the Island by W. Hoggat, ~~1911-1912~~ were presented to commemorate the occasion. Their Majesties had a crowded programme of engagements arranged for the ~~two~~³-day visit. The paintings will help to keep fresh their happy memories of the Isle of Man.

Ramsay, the second town on the Island, turned out in force to welcome the King and Queen. His Majesty has no subjects more loyal than the 50,000 inhabitants of this beautiful and much favoured jewel of the Irish Sea.

(21 Travel shot) A brief visit was paid to Bishopscourt, residence of the Bishop of Sodor and Man. When the party

posed for the photographers the King occupied a chair ~~used~~ *used by the island bishops & newly 300 yrs.* which belonged to the first bishop, appointed in 1698.

~~In the grounds of Bishopscourt the King and Queen planted trees.~~ *To mark the planting of trees.* If the soil hadn't been well prepared ~~for the~~

~~Royal labour~~ the Island ^{must} be a paradise for allotment holders.

Little Joanne Rimmer, ~~the gardener's grand daughter,~~ presented a ~~bouquet~~ *basket of fruit* and seemed a bit puzzled as to what to do next.

Four generations of one family ~~sat at the roadside~~ *saw to King to pass* waiting ~~waiting~~ for the King to pass. The great-grandmother, Mrs. Watterson, 92, is the oldest lady on the island.

In passing Their Majesties went to Manx Hill where they were to attend the meeting of Tynwald next day.

^{Then}
~~Their Majesties~~ made a short stay at Castle Rushen, a restored building of antiquity with many historical associations. Here there was ^a ~~another~~ bouquet for the queen. Still preserved on the Castle Tower is the Clock presented by ~~Queen Elizabeth~~ ^{Queen Elizabeth Bers.}

Near the meeting place of the Tynwald His Majesty laid a wreath at the Memorial to men of the Island killed in the last war. ~~monument~~

In the near-by St. John's Chapel the Monarch gave Royal Assent to new laws. The Lieutenant-Governor, Lord Granville, was among those who signed the document. It was the first time a King of England has been present at this annual ceremony.

On Tynwald Hill the King held an open-air investiture at which he made forty-three decorations, eight to Manx men honoured for bravery. His honour, Deemster Cowley, received the C.B.E.

Lt. Col. Clague was awarded the ~~O.B.E.~~ ^{O.B.E.} and the Military Cross, ~~for service in the Far East.~~ The mother of Sgt. Major Little received the posthumous award made to her son.