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Ceremonial comes back to London with the first signs of spring --- His Majesty the King drove from Buckingham Palace to St. James's to hold a levee.

The Guard of Honour was found by the Scots Guards. With the Captain's Escort of Royal Horse Guards His Majesty's coach drove into St James's, plumes of the Household Cavalry nodding at the caper of ~~mettle~~^{mettle} horses.

In the courtyard of St James's were those members of the Court, the Government and the services who were called to at the levee --- the picturesque diversity of uniforms that bring ~~the~~ ~~birth~~ ~~of~~ ~~tradition~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~modern~~ ~~functions~~ ~~of~~ ~~Court~~ ~~ceremonial~~, surrounding the greatest monarchy the world has known. 2

And so, attended by his escort, King George drove back to Buckingham Palace --- a glittering cavalcade in the brilliant sunshine.