

CORONATION PROCLAMATION

Into the City of London winds the procession of Heralds to proclaim within her ancient walls the Coronation of our Queen. As pikemen come with the Lifeguards and the Blues in splendid array to the steps of the Royal Exchange, centuries of Britain's history intermingle. Here in London (by tradition the centre of our Empire) Sir Arthur Cockerne, Clarenceux King of Arms, reads the historic 1500-word proclamation which declares the date upon which Her Majesty has resolved to hold her Coronation.

At four points in London, the proclamation is read. At St. James's Palace, surrounded by Heralds and Pursuivants, Sir George Bellow, Carter King of Arms, reads the Queen's declaration to her subjects:-

".....And we do hereby signify and declare that it is our royal will and pleasure that such part only of the solemnity and ceremony of our royal coronation as is usually, upon the coronation of the kings and queens of this realm, solemnized in Westminster Abbey, shall take place."