

THE JAMAICA FIREFLY

The Jamaica firefly, a species of insect over an inch in length, emits a very brilliant light, which comes from the sides of the head and beneath the thorax.

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Her Royal Highness Queen Victoria Mary Augusta Louisa Olga Pauline Claudine Agnes, is a great-granddaughter of King George III. Her husband is a generation lower down, for he is a great-grandson of the same king, but this is easily accounted for by the fact that the mother of the duchess was fourteen years younger than the late Queen Victoria, and moreover, was not married till she was 33 years of age.

The queen's grandfather, Prince Adolphus, Duke of Cambridge, was one of those who married to oblige the nation when he had reached the age of forty-two and he had three children, the Duke of Cambridge, who became commander-in-chief of the army, Princess Augusta, who married the Grand Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Saalfeld, and Princess Mary Adelaide, who married Duke Francis of Teck, and became the mother of the present queen as well as of three sons.

The good humor, gaiety, and affability of Princess Mary Adelaide, Duchess of Teck, caused the new queen to inherit popularity with the nation. The queen was born in Kensington Palace at one minute before midnight, May 26, 1867, in a room adjacent to that in which Queen Victoria first saw the light of day, forty-eight years earlier.

From the first her name was shortened into May, she having been born in that month, and also because the number of Victorias in the younger generation of princesses was embarrassing.

Between her mother and the future Queen of England there existed the fondest devotion. In writing of the baby to a friend in March, 1868, the Duchess of Teck said:

"She really is as sweet and engaging a child as you can wish to see."

The friendship between the Queen and her husband began at an early age and there was much visiting between the two families. Though King George and the Queen were both lively children, it is said the gentle and more melancholy elder son of the then Prince of Wales, the late Duke of Clarence, was more attracted to the little princess at that time.

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After an absence of eighteen months she returned to London and attended her first Royal drawing room in the spring of 1886. She early developed notable characteristics of her mother—charity and industry. Her industry, too, is of a practical nature. One incident is recorded of her helping an old woman to gather dried sticks and another, when the future Queen and her mother lifted a little wagon over a hedge to oblige a poor girl, who was thus saved a long journey around. Chief among their interests, however, was the Seattle Work Guild, which bound each member to make at least two garments a year for the poor.

RUNNING "ON TIME."

It is a common saying among railroad executives that they can make all sorts of rail about running trains, but that they have to put a man in the bushes beside the track to see that they are obeyed. Every railroad in America is striving after this—thus far—unattainable: to have all of its passenger trains always on time.

"Among every one hundred men who become firemen, only seventy men have ever become engineers," quotes the author, "out of every one hundred engineers only six get passenger trains. The next time you see a white-haired man on the cab of a big passenger locomotive don't wonder at all at his white hair, but make up your mind that he has the goods of the world."

It takes nerve to run the fast trains these days, and if any one of a dozen people, down to the man who spiked the rails, has made a mistake, you ride to certain death."

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Music is one of the Queen's greatest accomplishments, she having a beautiful soprano voice and singing with great expression. She was a pupil of Sig. Tosti.

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Ordered to the Sea of Azov, near the Black Sea, in the Stowford, Capt. Winter had arranged to be married, expecting to be sent to some port in Great Britain or on the continent, which would bring him close to home. To his disappointment the ship loaded steel rails at Maranopol for Valparaiso, South America. This meant that the nuptials would have to be deferred for a year at least.

With the alertness of a man of the sea, Capt. Winter bethought of a way that, if Miss Duncan would meet him, the marriage could take place. He wrote her to meet him at Algiers. Having consented, Miss Duncan, with a brother of the captain, arrived at Algiers in October, the ship having to call there for coal.

Again there was a handicap. Because Captain Winter and Miss Duncan were not residents of Algiers, they could not be married in that city. But again diplomacy came to the rescue, and the British Consul suggested that there need be no worry, as he saw a way out of the difficulty that would be a surprise as well as unique in having the marriage performed.

A minister of the Church of England was interviewed, and it was decided that the ship would go to sea and have the ceremony performed on board. When the three league limit was passed the ceremony was performed, the ship then heading for the Straits of Gibraltar.

With the Consul was his wife, Chief Officer Duncan, of the Stowford, who is a brother of the bride, gave her away, and the brother of Captain Winter, who had accompanied Miss Duncan from England, was best man. As soon as the ceremony was over, the ship was stopped and the Consul and wife, minister, Mr. Winter and several others who had been invited to the unusual marriage, were placed in a pilot boat and returned to Algiers.

From Algiers the steamer proceeded to Valparaiso, then loaded nitrate of soda for the United States. The eastern trip was made through the Smith Sound around Cape Horn, instead of through the Straits of Magellan. Several ports were touched in South America and the West Indies, the ship being ordered at St. Lucia to proceed to Wilmington, N. C., where she discharged. The vessel is now loading coal for Mexico. Mrs. Winter will add another strange port to the voyage of life which began at Algiers on October 29, 1909.

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