

Majesty's noble speech to his Privy Council on May 7 and the terms of the gracious Messages addressed to his subjects leave no room to doubt that he will do so.

Date of
Coronation.

The date of His Majesty's Coronation has been fixed for June 22 1911.

Death of
Professor
Goldwin
Smith.

On June 7, at the advanced age of 86, died Professor Goldwin Smith, the learned historian, distinguished philosopher and critical writer on current events.

Academic
and literary
career.

Goldwin Smith, born on August 13 1823 at Reading, the county town of Berkshire, England, was educated at Eton and at Oxford. He became a Fellow of University College, Oxford, in 1846, and in the same year was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn. From 1858 to 1868 he was Regius Professor of Modern History at Oxford, and he was tutor to the Prince of Wales, his late Majesty King Edward VII. In 1868 he was appointed to the Chair of English and Constitutional History in the Cornell University, then being formed at Ithaca, N.Y., and in 1871 he settled at Toronto, retaining his connection with Cornell University as a non-resident professor. In 1882 he received the honorary degree of D.C.L. from the University of Oxford, and on different occasions he received honorary degrees from American universities. Author of numerous historical and critical essays, probably his two best remembered works will be the political histories of the United Kingdom and the United States, works which admirably exemplify his remarkable powers of condensation and his picturesque lucidity of style. In philosophy he was pessimistic, and on several great questions he maintained, with characteristic courage, views totally opposed to those of the majority of British statesmen and thinkers.

Public
bequests.

The public spirit which Mr. Goldwin Smith consistently displayed throughout life shines forth in his will. The residue of his estate, which amounted in total value to \$832,860, he bequeathed, after payment of legacies and bequests valued at \$60,500, to the Cornell University, to be used by the Board of Trustees for the promotion of liberal studies, languages ancient and modern, literature, philosophy, history and political science. In making this bequest the testator wrote: "My desire is to show my attachment to the University in the foundation of which I had the honour of taking part, to pay respect to the memory of Ezra Cornell, and to show my attachment as an Englishman to the union of the two branches of our race on this continent with each other and with their common mother." His library, valued at \$9,300, he bequeathed to the University of Toronto; his pictures, statuary and books on art, valued at \$5,000, to the Toronto Art Museum. His residence, The Grange, Toronto, a fine example of Georgian domestic architecture erected in 1815, has now become the property of the Toronto Art Museum under the will of the late Mrs. Goldwin Smith who died September 9 1909.