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The celebration of the King's silver working has given the Empire the occasion for a retropective glance at the alliances of former monarchs of the realm and for congratulation that our King and Queen are who and what they are. The British Empire has been and is a great puzzle to the world and not the least point in that nuzzle is the relation of the Empuzzie to the worist and not the resex point in that puzzie is the relation of the Empire to its ruler. That a nation which was driven "three and three quarter centuries ago to decapitate its king in the interests of its determined democracy, and which deposed another within half a century afterwards, can, in these days when Republics are the fashion, hold stubbornly to the monarchical principle is an amazing thing, but the secret of is is fully understood by every British subject. A year ago, speaking on the remarkable union of the two white races in South Africa, and the principles which brought it about, General Smuts said, "There is only one solution supplied by our past traditions—the traditions—the traditions of freedom, self-revernment and of slip fullest development for each part of the Commonwealth," and he went on to axplain how we were going that puzzle is the relation of the e went on to explain how we were going to keep "this Commonwealth of Nations," as'he called the Empire, together, by a wiss and timely exposition of the value to the British peoples of the Monarchy—"Let us be thankful for mercist. We have a kingship here which is really not very different from a hereditary republic." We could not, he said, make a Republic of the British Commonwealth of Nations, because if we had to select a President not only of these silands but for the Empire, for India, and for the Deminions we would be facing an insoluble problem. "The to keep "this Commonwealth of Nations,

Many intelligent upholders of the Mon-rehical principle welcomed the common-ense pronouncement of General Smut-

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for India, and for the Deminions we would be facing an insoluble problem. "The King is not merely your King, but is King of all of us." If the King's place were to be taken by anybody else then that somebody would have to be elected by a process which it would pass the wit of man to devise, he added further, and wound up by asying, that he would not be surprised to see the time come when our princes in-stead of going to Central Europe for their consorts would go to the British Dominions.

which pronouncement of General Smuts and there was much comment upon his suggestion that members of the British Boyal Family might seek wives of British birth. Those who recall the marriage of King George when Prince of Wales will remember the extatic way in which people proclaimed their satisfaction that 'the Princess May' was an English princess. We suppose there are few Englishmen who in their heart of hearts find any real satisfaction in the dynastic record

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ALEXANDRIA MILITARY COURT.

The Military Court held its weekly sitting on Friday at the Attarine Court of First Instance, under the presidency of Judge Clapoctt, and tried an important case of contravention in which Mohamed miller in the Abou Darda Street, Alexandria, was charged with committing offence punishable under Martial Law. The following are the charges impeted to him: and Khalil Dardine Shim is the contract of the contract of the court of the cou of the last two centuries. The popularity of Queen Alexandra, which has subsisted undiminished from the moment size set foot on the English shores, is due not sofely to the engaging personal qualities, which bound her immediately to the people, but also to the fact that she was not a German for the Germans has never been popular in England. The accident of a German succession was in itself of no constitution, and the constitution of the const been popular in Engiand. The accused of a German succession was in itself of no great importance. All our dynasties have been foreign in origin since the Conquest —Norman, Angevin, Welsh, Scottish—but a generation or two has generally suficed to make the most French Frenchman or the Scottiest of Scots wholly English.
In Charles II., for example, it is difficult to discover any specially Scottish quality, and on his mother's side the only trace of Henry of Navarre is to be found in his wit and his lary genius for staterarth. The real objection to the German was the tendency to remain so, dwing to his many connections in various petty German propalities. We have now arrived at the sensible view that our princes and princesses should find their partners among British arbijects of British descent General Smitz needs for the prosecution, and the defence of the sensible view that our princes and princesses should find their partners among British arbijects of British descent General General General Smitz needs for the prosecution and the defence of the prosecution of the sensible view that our princes and prince and the conducted the prosecution asked the Court of the r the Scottiest of Scots wholly English.

British subjects of British descent. General Smuts goes further, and suggests that Canada, Australia. New Zealand, and South Africa are worthy to provide from time to time a Queen of England. We fancy it would not be impolitie for an English prince occasionally to seek his bride in the Fifth Avenue. An American marriage would not entangle in the tradimarriage would not entangle in the tradi-tional way, but it might sasily prove in given circumstances a masterpiece of state-craft. What we want, in short, is to strengthen the institution of monarchy by robbing it of associations which have long been anachronistic. If British statesmen are wise, they will do the best to buttress the throne not with discredited traditions, hat with the living enthusiages of Britions hat with the living enthusiages of Britions petter quality of grain. The merchant pre-sented witnesses to emphasise his clain that the wheat he had sold was "mawani". and not baladi. As he succeeded in proving his case the Court acquitted him ALEXANDRIA'S UNFIT FOOD.

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