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## HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A KING?

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The truth of the old proverb, "Un- | have been maintained, but the day will easy lies the head that wears come when the veteran monarch must a crown," was never more apparent . than it is today in Adolph will reign in his stead. Europe. The tasks and troubles that confront the rulers of Norway, Spain, Prince Gustav Adolph has none of the Russia, Austria, Portugal, Bulgaria, tact of his father, none of the foresight Turkey, Servia, Roumania, Belgium and and moderation. He is young, fiery and Italy are certainly enough to warrant the conclusion that there is very little happiness or satisfaction in what Bill Nye called the "king business,"

No more difficult task for instance, could have been allotted to any monarch than that of preserving peace hetween Norway and Sweden. King Os. car is, however, a king among tacticians, and by his careful judgment and moderation has kept his fractious people from openly quarreling. Peace was necessary and peace and quiet cerned and could, if carried out, bring

join his fathers, and his son Gusta And herein will lie the diffiulty. possibly, reckless. So much so, that when he comes to reign a rapid disintegration of the two countries will almost inevitably follow, and perhaps an

the vatican.

lergy so strongly that he

international war. Religious strife will be one of the principal means of upsetting the Italian sovereignty. Before his assassina-tion, King Umberto discovered that a juncture was imminent between the variage and the Benublicen entry vatican and the Republican party. Such a union would be most disas trous as far as the monarchy is concon-

about the fall of the House of Savoy, Therefore King Victor Emmanuel must rule, but unfortunately is unable to car- | Thessaly and Crete, Syprus and many | ry them out. King Charles of Roumania is another who, like the ministers of Servia, has keep on the best possible terms with Spain also is threatened on religious an inadvisable love union to prevent for the good of the state.

grounds. Don Carlos, a legitimate Prince Ferdinand, young and suscep-tible, became infatuated with a woman laimant to the throne, has the support of the clergy. The queen-mother has always upheld the clergy, against the well known in English society, the fav-orite maid of honor of "Carmen Sylsentiment of the country, and hence the dislike for the reigning house. va." the queen of Roumania. The two For many years the young king was failing in health. In the event of his became engaged and might have been married had not the king and the mindeath the throne would go to his sister, the Princess of the Asturias, whose istry stepped in and banished the beautiful girl.

the Frincess of the Asturnas, whose marriage to the Count of Cas-erta has bound her hand and foot, to the vatican. Thus the death of King Alphonso and the The prince they threataned to deprive of his right of succession to the Rou-manian throne if he did not give her up and marry Princess Marie of Coburg. ssion of his sister would be of the The banished lady went straight to Sofia, where she joined the revolutiongreatest harm to Spain. Clerical strife is evident in Portuary committee, and is the leader in gal. King Charles has opposed the

their councils. Speaking of Roumania, it is interestaffection of his wife, Queen Amelia, who is a strong advocate of the cloth. Thus the nation, following their sovereigns, is naturally divided. ing to note that the son of Princess Marle is the only surviving hope of the Stuart faction-now, happily, almost The empire of Turkey is also in a pre-

carlous condition. In the last 20 years Abdul Hamid has seen his empire slow-Egypt is gone, and ly crumbling away. private individual to help the people is regarded as an application for free Tunis-the first to England, the second to France, After the with Russia, Servia, disastrous war free board and lodging in Siberia. The Czar Servia, Bulgaria, Roumania and Montenegro

thousand square miles of Armenian ter-ritory have also been ceded to the variosu great powers; a very volumn of misfortune, enough to drive any ruler to abdication.

As shaky as any monarch on throne is the king of the Belgians, Here there are, among others, many religious troubles, combined with a certain amount of Anarchism and an im mense amount of Socialism, especially in the capital itself .- New York World A CHARACTERISTIC ANECDOTE.

An anecdote illustrative of the differ ence between Kitchener as a chief and Lord Roberts is worth recalling. Before Lord Roberts left Cape Town he called into his office a certain colonel an charged him with a particular mission and "How," said the chief, "soon can you put this through? I know you will do the best you can." "Well," replied the colonel, "I'll try to do it in a fortnight." "Well," Lord Roberts repeated, ' know you will do the best you can, and with a pleasant smile he dismissed the officer

Outside the door he met Lord Kitch ner, "Well," asked Kitchener, with snerbusinesslike abruptness, "what are you doing?" "Oh," said the colonel, "Lord doing ?" Roberts wants me to do so and When are YOU

tort, "if you cannot do it within a week we shall have to se about sending you home." And done it was .- London Ex. "Well," said the colonel, "I promised to try to do it in a fortnight." home, "Now, colonel," was Kitchener's renannan

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