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KING EDWARD & HIS EMPIRE BUILDERS.

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'King Edward & His Empire Builders'

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 postcard print, circa 1907
 3 3/8 in. x 5 3/8 in. (86 mm x 135 mm) overall
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Artist

- [Rotary Photographic Co Ltd](#) (active 1897-1916), Photographers. Artist associated with 1422 portraits.

Sitters

- [Prince Arthur, 1st Duke of Connaught and Strathearn](#) (1850-1942), Field Marshal, Governor General of Canada; son of Queen Victoria. Sitter associated with 159 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Arthur James Balfour, 1st Earl of Balfour](#) (1848-1930), Prime Minister and philosopher. Sitter in 138 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield](#) (1804-1881), Prime Minister and novelist. Sitter associated with 110 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Charles William de la Poer Beresford, Baron Beresford](#) (1846-1919), Admiral and Conservative politician; MP for County Waterford, Marylebone East and Portsmouth. Sitter in 55 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman](#) (1836-1908), Prime Minister. Sitter in 29 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Joseph \('Joe'\) Chamberlain](#) (1836-1914), Industrialist and politician; MP for Birmingham. Sitter in 105 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Sir Winston Leonard Spencer Churchill](#) (1874-1965), Prime Minister. Sitter in 222 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [George Nathaniel Curzon, Marquess Curzon of Kedleston](#) (1859-1925), Politician, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, traveller and viceroy of India. Sitter associated with 34 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [King Edward VII](#) (1841-1910), Reigned 1901-10. Sitter associated with 505 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [King George V](#) (1865-1936), Reigned 1910-36. Sitter in 488 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [William Ewart Gladstone](#) (1809-1898), Prime Minister and writer. Sitter associated with 321 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Horatio Herbert Kitchener, 1st Earl Kitchener of Khartoum](#) (1850-1916), Field Marshal. Sitter in 150 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Sir \(Henri Charles\) Wilfrid Laurier](#) (1841-1919), Prime Minister of Canada. Sitter in 5 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Gilbert John Elliot-Murray-Kynynmound, 4th Earl of Minto](#) (1845-1914), Governor-general of Canada and viceroy of India. Sitter in 9 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Horatio Nelson, Viscount Nelson](#) (1758-1805), Vice-Admiral and victor of Trafalgar. Sitter in 86 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Frederick Sleigh Roberts, 1st Earl Roberts](#) (1832-1914), Field Marshal. Sitter in 81 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Archibald Philip Primrose, 5th Earl of Rosebery](#) (1847-1929), Prime Minister and author. Sitter in 24 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Arthur Wellesley, 1st Duke of Wellington](#) (1769-1852), Field Marshal and Prime Minister. Sitter associated with 640 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [Garnet Joseph Wolseley, 1st Viscount Wolseley](#) (1833-1913), Field Marshal. Sitter in 44 portraits. [Identify](#)
- [John Denton Pinkstone French, 1st Earl of Ypres](#) (1852-1925), Field Marshal. Sitter in 24 portraits. [Identify](#)

Related works

- [NPG 7032](#): Arthur Wellesley, 1st Duke of Wellington (appears within the portrait)
- [NPG x7088](#): George Nathaniel Curzon, Marquess Curzon of Kedleston (appears within the portrait)
- [NPG x32178](#): Winston Churchill (appears within the portrait)
- [NPG x134954](#): William Ewart Gladstone (appears within the portrait)

- [NPG x197828](#): Gilbert John Elliot-Murray-Kynynmound, 4th Earl of Minto (appears within the portrait)

Portrait set

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Events of 1907

Current affairs

Robert Baden Powell, a former lieutenant-general in the British Army, forms the Boy Scout Movement after holding a camp on Brownsea Island for a group of twenty-two boys of mixed social background. Baden Powell was inspired after finding that his 1903 military training manual *Aids to Scouting* had become a bestseller, and was being used by teachers and youth workers. The Scout movement has become a Worldwide phenomenon, with over 38 million members in 216 countries.

Art and science

The poet, author and critic Edmund Gosse publishes his autobiography *Father and Son*, an account of his relationship with his devout Christian father, the zoologist Phillip Gosse. Edmund's detailing of his loss of faith is a reflection on the Victorian age itself.

Anna Pavlova first dances *The Dying Swan*, choreographed by Michel Fokine to music by Camille Saint-Saens, at a charity performance.









International











America is gripped by a financial crisis as a collapse of trust companies causes panic amongst shareholders.







Aged twenty, the Swiss architect Le Corbusier, one of the most influential figures in twentieth-century architecture, designs his first house at La Chaux-de-Fonds in Switzerland.

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Correlation between Pilgrims Society (1902) membership & First Imperial Press Conference, 1902, Empire Press Union, Founding of MI6, MI5 & GC&CS now GCHQ

Name:	Pilgrims Society Founder, Jul. 16, 1902	Imperial Press Conf. 1909, Jun. 05-28, 1909
Prince Arthur, 1st Duke of Connaught and Strathearn (1850-1942), Field Marshal, Governor General of Canada; son of Queen Victoria.	 President 1917-1942	
Arthur James Balfour, 1st Earl of Balfour (1848-1930), Prime Minister and philosopher.		
Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield (1804-1881), Prime Minister and novelist.		
Charles William de la Poer Beresford, Baron Beresford (1846-1919), Admiral and Conservative politician; MP for County Waterford, Marylebone East and Portsmouth.		
Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman (1836-1908), Prime Minister.		
Joseph ('Joe') Chamberlain (1836-1914), Industrialist and politician; MP for Birmingham, via son Austen Chamberlain		

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Frederick Sleigh Roberts, 1st Earl Roberts (1832-1914), Field Marshal.	 Founding President	
Archibald Philip Primrose, 5th Earl of Rosebery (1847-1929), Prime Minister and author.		 Keynote Speaker
Arthur Wellesley, 1st Duke of Wellington (1769-1852), Field Marshal and Prime Minister.		
Garnet Joseph Wolseley, 1st Viscount Wolseley (1833-1913), Field Marshal.		
John Denton Pinkstone French, 1st Earl of Ypres (1852-1925), Field Marshal.	 2 nd Boer War General under Commander-in-Chief of the Forces Frederick Sleigh Roberts, 1 st Pres. of the Pilgrims Society; honorary degrees from Oxford and Cambridge Universities, also Pilgrims Society founders; Oxford was the beneficiary of the Rhodes Scholarships managed by the Lords Rothschild; Committee of Imperial Defence in 1905; Inspector-General of the Army in November 1907; advanced to Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath in the King's Birthday Honours Nov. 9, 1909 (just three months after the First Imperial Press Conference, 1909, and the formation of MI-6, MI-5, GC&CS now GCHQ, and the Empire Press Union (formalizing Reuters, AP, etc. as the one-voices of the Empire); Chief of the Imperial General Staff ("CIGS"—professional head of the Army) on Mar. 15, 1912	 General Sir Frederick Sleigh Roberts' junior general in the British Empire killing machine