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'King Edward & His Empire Builders'
published by Rotary Photographic Co Ltd
postcard print, circa 1907
3 3/8 in. x 5 3/8 in. (86 mm x 135 mm) overall
Given by Terence Pepper, 2014
Photographs Collection
NPG x197883

Artistic
- **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](#)
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- **George Nathaniel Curzon, Marquess Curzon of Kedleston** (1859-1925), Politician, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, traveller and viceroy of India. Sitter 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](https://www.npg.org.uk/collections/search/artist/7032): Arthur Wellesley, 1st Duke of Wellington (appears within the portrait)
- [NPG x7088](https://www.npg.org.uk/collections/search/artist/x7088): George Nathaniel Curzon, Marquess Curzon of Kedleston (appears within the portrait)
- [NPG x32178](https://www.npg.org.uk/collections/search/artist/x32178): Winston Churchill (appears within the portrait)
- [NPG x134954](https://www.npg.org.uk/collections/search/artist/x134954): William Ewart Gladstone (appears within the portrait)

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

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