

James O'Hara

1850 - 1920

James O'Hara, born in 1850 in Carluke, Lanarkshire, was the son of Peter O'Hara and Wineridge (Winifred) O'Boyle. Although maybe not a learned man, he could read and write and developed a love of poetry and a respect of the royal family. On the death of Edward VII in May, 1910, he penned a poem in his honour and a second one to acknowledge the succession to the throne of George V. Both were highly thought of and published with an acknowledgement by Queen Alexandra and King George



Edward VII

Reign 22 January 1901 - 6 May 1910



George V

Reign 6 May 1910 - 20 January 1936

*Accepted and Acknowledged by Queen Alexandra and
King George V.*

NATIONAL TRIBUTE

IN MEMORY OF

Our Late King, Edward VII.

Death called the roll—our King's no more,
His soul has gone to a brighter shore—
For peace he lived, for peace he died:
All nations pray his soul is sanctified.

Death came hovering round our hero's bed;
By the midnight hour his soul had fled
To the Mansions above where all is fair—
The rich and poor have to answer there.

For nine long years he wore the crown
Of England's glory, Britain's fame and renown.
In memory of him we loved so dear,
All nations now mourn and shed a tear.

Solemn the funeral left the Palace Hall,
The bands playing "Dead March in Saul"—
The works all closed, the blinds all drawn,
In memory of him who will never return.

The vault is reached, the bier lowered down,
'Midst the grief of nations all kneeling around;
Now within Windsor Palace Chapel ground,
Glory guards the grave with silent sound.

Overtown. JAMES O'HARA.

Accepted and acknowledged by His Majesty The King.

KING GEORGE'S CORONATION.

The world will hail with admiration
The day of the Coronation,
Then King George ascends the throne
Of Britain's glory, fame and renown.

The bells will all be ringing,
The choirs they will be singing
Long live King George the Fifth, our King,
Along with Her Majesty, the Queen.

We'll have friends from all nations
Crossing seas for the celebrations,
Likewise at all the central stations
There will be grand illuminations.

Britain will hope that no temptation
Will be the cause of any desecration,
But be a grand glorification
That will descend to another generation.

In cities, towns, and habitation
They will sing with jollification
God save King George for evermore
To rule as his father did before.

Overtown.

JAMES O'HARA.