

REIGNING SOVEREIGNS.

The following table of royal sovereigns on the throne at the commencement of the year 1883 is taken from the "Gotha Court Calendar," the most accurate authority on such matters. The list gives the years of their accession and their ages at the present time :—

	<i>Accession.</i>	<i>Age.</i>
Dom Pedro II., Brazil.....	1831	57
William, Brunswick.....	1831	76
Victoria, Great Britain.....	1837	63
Friedrich Franz II., Schwerin.....	1842	63
Ernst II., Saxe-Coburg.....	1844	64
George, Waldeck.....	1845	52
Francis Joseph I., Austria.....	1848	52
William III., the Netherlands.....	1849	56
Frederick, Baden.....	1852	56
Peter, Odenburg.....	1853	55
Charles Alexander, Saxe-Weimar.....	1853	64
Ernst, Saxe-Altenburg.....	1853	56
Charles III., Monaco.....	1856	64
John II., Lichtenstein.....	1858	42
Heinrich XXII., Reup Greiz.....	1859	36
Nicholas, Montenegro.....	1860	41
Frederick William, Strelitz.....	1860	63
Adolph, Schaumburg.....	1860	65
William I., Prussia.....	1861	86
Louis I, Portugal.....	1861	44
George I., Greece.....	1863	37
Christian IX., Denmark.....	1863	64
Louis II., Bavaria.....	1864	—
Charles I., Wurtemberg.....	1864	38
Leopold II., Belgium.....	1865	60
Charles, Roumania.....	1866	47
George II., Saxe-Meiningen.....	1866	56
Henry XIV., Reuss-Schleiz.....	1867	50
Milan I., Servia.....	1868	28
George, Schwarzburg-Rudolphstadt.....	1869	44
William, Germany.....	1871	86
Friedrich, Anhalt.....	1871	51
Oscar II., Sweden.....	1872	53