

THE QUEEN AND ROYAL FAMILY.

THE QUEEN.—Victoria, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, born at Kensington Palace, May 24, 1819; succeeded to the throne June 20, 1837, on the death of her uncle, King William IV.; crowned June 23, 1838; married, Feb. 10, 1840, to H. R. H. Prince Albert. Her Majesty is the only child of the late Duke of Kent, son of King George III. The children of Her Majesty are:—

H. R. H. Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, born Nov. 9, 1841; married, March 10, 1863, Alexandra of Denmark, born Dec. 1, 1844, and has issue, Prince Albert Victor, born Jan. 8, 1864; George Frederick Ernest Albert, born June 3, 1865; Louisa Victoria Alexandra Dagmar, born Feb. 20, 1867; Victoria Alexandra Olga Mary, born July 6, 1868; Maude Charlotte Mary Victoria born Nov. 26, 1870; and a son, born April 6, 1870, who died the following day.

H. R. H. Victoria Adelaide Mary Louisa, Princess Royal of England and Prussia, born Nov. 21, 1840, and married to H. R. H. William of Prussia, Jan. 25, 1858, and has issue, living, three sons and four daughters.

H. R. H. Alice Maud Mary, born April 25, 1843, married to H. R. H. Prince Frederick Louis of Hesse. July 1, 1862, and has issue five daughters and two sons.

H. R. H. Alfred Ernest, Duke of Edinburgh, born Aug. 6, 1844; married Grand Duchess Marie of Russia, Jan. 23, 1874.

H. R. H. Helena Augusta Victoria, born May 25, 1846; married to H. R. H. Prince Frederick Christian Charles Augustus of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Augustenburg, July 5, 1866, and has issue two sons and two daughters.

H. R. H. Louisa Carolina Alberta, born March 18, 1848; married to the Marquis of Lorne, March 21, 1871.

H. R. H. Arthur William Patrick Albert, born May 1, 1850; made Earl of Sussex and Duke of Connaught, May 24, 1874.

H. R. H. Leopold George Duncan Albert, born April 7, 1853.

H. R. H. Beatrice Mary Victoria Feodore, born April 14, 1857.

FESTIVALS, &c.

MOVABLE FESTIVALS.—Septuagesima Sunday, January 24th; Sexagesima Sunday, January 31st; Quinquagesima Sunday, February 7th; Ash Wednesday, February 10th; Quadragesima Sunday, February 14th; Mid-Lent Sunday, March 7th; Palm Sunday, March 21st; Good Friday, March 20th; Easter Sunday, March 28th; Low Sunday, April 4th; Rogation Sunday, May 2d; Ascension Day, May 6th; Whit Sunday, May 16th; Trinity Sunday, May 2d; Corpus Christi, May 27th; Advent Sunday, November 28th.

HOLIDAYS OBSERVED AT PUBLIC OFFICES.

Circumcision, January 1st; Epiphany, January 6th; Ash Wednesday, February 10th; Annunciation Virgin Mary, March 25th; Good Friday, March 26th; Ascension Day, May 6th; Queen's Birth Day, May 24th; Corpus Christi, May 27th; St. Peter and St. Paul's Day, June 29th; All Saints Day, Nov. 1st; Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 5th; Christmas Day, December 25th.

BANK HOLIDAYS IN ONTARIO.

Sundays, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Easter Monday, The Queen's Birth Day, and each day appointed by Royal Proclamation as a general fast, or thanksgiving day.

POSTAL REGULATIONS.

LETTER RATES.—Unregistered letters, posted in Canada, and addressed to any place in the Dominion and prepaid, 3c. per $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce; if unpaid, 5c. per $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce. The charge on Drop letters,—that is, letters to be delivered from the office in which they are posted, is 1c., which must be prepaid, or they will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

To Newfoundland, 6c. per $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce, which must be prepaid.

To United States, 6c. per $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce, if prepaid, 10c. if not prepaid.

To the United Kingdom, by Canadian Packet, Saturday, if prepaid, 6c. per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; by Cunard Packet, Monday, prepaid, 8c. per $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; if unpaid in either case, 3d. sterling will be charged on delivery, in addition to the ordinary rate. Letters to be sent only "by Canadian Packet," or "via New York," should be specially so addressed, if not so addressed, they will be sent by the first mail leaving the office.

FREE DELIVERY.—Letters, &c., addressed to Montreal, bearing name of street with No. of house are delivered by carriers, free of charge.

REGISTRATION CHARGES.—For registration of a letter addressed to any place in British North America, 5c., to the United Kingdom, 8c.; to the United States, 5c.

ALPHABETICAL LIST of the most important foreign countries and letter-rates per $\frac{1}{2}$ ounce thereto.—All letters to these places must be prepaid.—Austria, 10c. Australian Colonies, 10c.; Belgium, 10c.; Central America, 10c., China, except Hong-Kong, 10c.; Denmark, 10c.; France, 10c.; Gibraltar, 10c.; Hong Kong, and dependent Ports, 13c.; India, 22c.; Italy, 10c.; Japan, 10c.; Mexico, 13c.; New Zealand, 15c.; Norway, 10c.; Portugal, 25c.; Prussia, 10c., Sweden, 15c.; Switzerland, 10c.; West Indies (British and Danish), via U. S., 25c.; via United Kingdom, 28c.

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES.—The charge on parcels, by Parcel-post, to any place in Canada, is 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. per $\frac{1}{2}$ pound (with 2c. additional if registered). No parcel may exceed four pounds in weight.

One cent per 2 ounces, payable in advance by postage stamp, is the rate on printed circulars, price-current, hand-bills, and other printed matter of a like character and on books, bound or unbound, when posted at a Canadian Post office addressed to any place in Canada, British North America generally, or the United States.

NEWSPAPER POST.—The postage on newspapers published in the Dominion, if paid quarterly in advance, either by publisher or party to whom delivered, is as follows:—

Weekly, 5 cents; twice a week, 10 cents; three times a week, 15 cents. Daily, 30 cents; if not paid in advance, 1 cent each. Postage on papers from U. S. to regular subscribers in Canada, 1 cent. Transient papers from the U. S., Newfoundland, or Canada, to any office in Canada, 2 cents each.

MONEY ORDERS.—Money Orders, payable in the Dominion, may be obtained at any Money Order Office (of which a list can be seen at any Post Office), for 2 cents up to \$4 and for 5 cents on each \$10 up to \$100, above which sum no single order can be issued, but additional orders may be obtained for larger sums. Money Orders payable in the United Kingdom, may be obtained on amounts up to £10 stg., at the following rates.—Up to £2 stg., 25 cents; \$2 to £5 stg., 50 cents; £5 to £7 stg., 75 cents; £7 to £10 stg., \$1. Money Orders, payable in Newfoundland, may be obtained for sums up to £20 stg., for 25 cents each £5 stg.