

Sacred Majesties King Edward the Seventh and Queen Alexandra.

These are to give notice to all Peeresses who attend at the Coronation of Their Majesties, that the robes or mantles appertaining to their respective ranks are to be worn over the usual full Court-dress.

That the robe or mantle of a Baroness be of crimson velvet, the cape whereof to be furred with miniver pure, and powdered with two bars or rows of ermine (*i.e.*, narrow pieces of black fur); the said mantle to be edged round with miniver pure two inches in breadth, and the train to be three feet on the ground; the coronet to be according to her degree, *viz.*:—a rim or circle with six pearls (represented by silver balls) upon the same, not raised upon points.

That the robe or mantle of a Viscountess be like that of a Baroness, only the cape powdered with two rows and a half of ermine, the edging of the mantle two inches as before, and the train a yard and a quarter; the coronet to be according to her degree, *viz.*:—a rim or circle with pearls (represented by silver balls) thereon, sixteen in number, and not raised upon points.

That the robe or mantle of a Countess be as before, only the cape powdered, with three rows of ermine, the edging three inches in breadth, and the train a yard and a half; the coronet to be composed of eight pearls (represented by silver balls) raised upon points or rays, with small strawberry leaves between, above the rim.

That the robe or mantle of a Marchioness be as before, only the cape powdered with three rows and a half of ermine, the edging four inches in breadth, the train a yard and three quarters; the coronet to be composed of four strawberry leaves

and four pearls (represented by silver balls) raised upon points of the same height as the leaves, alternately, above the rim.

That the robe or mantle of a Duchess be as before, only the cape powdered with four rows of ermine, the edging five inches broad, the train two yards; the coronet to be composed of eight strawberry leaves, all of equal height, above the rim.

And that the caps of all the said coronets be of crimson velvet, turned up with ermine, with a tassel of gold on the top.

By His Majesty's Command.

*NOTE.*—Only those Peers and Peeresses who reply to the above intimation before the first day of January, 1902, will receive the Royal Command to attend the Ceremony of the Coronation.

It is to be understood that the above Orders refer to all English, Scottish, and Irish Peers (except Peers who are minors, and Irish Peers who have seats in the House of Commons), Peeresses in their own right, the widows of Peers, and the wives of living Peers, including the wives of Irish Peers who have seats in the House of Commons.

With respect to such widows of Peers who have remarried under the rank of the Peerage, they, according to former precedent, are considered as not entitled to such summons.

As to widows of Peers who have remarried with a Peer of lower degree, their precedence, according to precedent, is that of their last husband.

Peers and Peeresses in their own right whose highest dignity is in the Peerage of Scotland or Ireland will wear robes and coronet of such dignity, as also the wife or widow of such Peer.

By His Majesty's Command.