THE

Seize Quartiers

OF THE

Kings and Queens of England

THEIR CONSORTS,

AND A FEW OTHERS CONNECTED WITH THEM,

FROM

King Henry the Second

TO (THE PRESENT SOVEREIGN)

Queen Victoria.

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Claudine Rhedey, Wife of Alexander, Duke of Wurtemburg, and paternal grandmother to the Princess Victoria Mary (of Teck).

Tabular pedigree shewing the relationship of **H.R.H. the Duke and Duchess of York** to each other.

The Seize Quartiers of the Kings and Queens of England.

Preface.

It is proposed to issue, *in two series*, the seize quartiers (as far as their genealogies, not armorial ensigns, are concerned) of the Kings and Queens of England and their Consorts, from the time of Henry II to the present date. The *first series* will contain those of the House of Plantagenet (1154 to 1485) extending over a period of some 330 years, while the *second series* (the issue of which is commenced in this number) will contain the various dynasties which (beginning with the House of Tudor) have continued about 400 years since that period.

These descents are *by no means* perfect, many blanks will be found therein (more especially in the *foreign* genealogies with which the Compiler has little acquaintance) and various errors. They have been compiled with no very great care and labour, but only at leisure, and from such sources as readily presented themselves.

It is hoped that many a genealogically minded reader will be able to supply most of the said blanks and to correct such errors, kindly transmitting to the Editor of this Magazine such emendations, which will not only be interesting *in themselves*, but will form a basis for the compilation of a more accurate and complete genealogy than has hitherto been rendered of the ancestry of the Royal Houses of England.

As to the abbreviations used, "*b.*" "*d.*" and "*m.*" stand for "born," "died," and "married"; "br." "da." "h." and "s." for "brother," "daughter," "heir," and "son"; while "*cr.*" stands for "created," and "v.p." for "*vitâ patris.*" G. E. C.

PREFACE.

The issue of these Seize Quartiers, which have been divided into *two* series, commenced in "The Genealogist" (vol. vi, N.S. p. 194), with the *second* series (Henry VII. to the present time), and terminated in July, 1892. During its progress the Editor thereof became more and more aware of the insufficiency of the material collected by him for the purpose, and it is, indeed, only by the kind assistance of others that this series has been brought to (what it is hoped may be) a fairly satisfactory conclusion.

When, however, the time came for dealing with the Plantagenet Kings and Queen Consorts, the insufficiency above alluded to became even more apparent. At this period, however, Mr. G. W. Watson, who had previously rendered extremely valuable service to the series already issued, and who had already placed in my hands the Seize Quartiers of many of the early Plantagenets and their Queen Consorts, which he had previously elaborated for his own use, most kindly undertook the whole of the *first* series, which commence with the interesting Seize Quartiers of Henry II., the first King of the house of Plantagenet, and the ancestor of every succeeding Sovereign of this realm. It will be found that the references to original documents given in this series in the copious notes which illustrate each table, render the work of much greater value than the previous issue, and the public may be sincerely congratulated on the substitution of an Editor so well versed in the genealogy of the twelfth and succeeding centuries.

G. E. C.