



H.R.H. PRINCESS MARY OF TECK.—FROM "THE ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWS."

PRINCESS MARY, born Nov. 27, 1833, is the third child of the late Duke of Cambridge, and is, therefore, a first cousin of the Queen. Her mother, the widowed Duchess of Cambridge, with whom Princess Mary has constantly lived, was Princess Augusta of Hesse-Cassel. The elder brother and sister are the present Duke of Cambridge, Commander-in-Chief, and the Grand Duchess Augusta of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, who was married in 1843. Princess Mary was married, June 12, 1866, to Prince Teck, the only son of Duke Alexander of Württemberg.

FIVE YEARS' RAILWAY PROFITS.—In 1860 the profits realised upon the railways of the United Kingdom amounted to £14,579,254. In 1861 this profit increased to £14,722,018, and in 1862 to £14,860,149. Since then the growth of our railway profits has been much more rapid, the total having risen in 1863 to £16,129,163, and in 1864 to £17,911,239. The amount of capital paid up (shares and loans combined) was at the close of 1860 £348,130,127, and at the close of 1864 £425,719,613. The average upon the capital expended was thus: in 1860, 4·18 per cent, and in 1864 4·20 per cent. In plainer terms, British railways—taking them all round, good, bad, and indifferent pay about 4½ per cent upon the capital engaged in their construction and equipment.

THE CHIEF REIGNING SOVEREIGNS OF EUROPE, WITH THE DATES OF THEIR ACCESSION AND BIRTH.

States.	Sovereigns.	Birth.	Accession.
Austria	Francis Joseph I., Emperor	Aug. 18 1830	Dec. 2 1848
Bavaria	Louis II., King	Aug. 25 1845	Mar. 10 1864
Belgium	Leopold II., King	April 9 1835	Dec. 10 1865
Denmark	Christian IX., King	April 8 1818	Nov. 15 1863
England	Victoria I., Queen	May 24 1819	June 20 1837
France	Napoleon III., Emperor ..	April 20 1808	Dec. 2 1852
Greece	George I., King	Dec. 24 1845	June 6 1863
Holland	William III., King	Feb. 19 1817	Mar. 17 1849
Italy	Victor Emmanuel II., King	Mar. 14 1820	Mar. 23 1849
Portugal	Dom Louis I., King	Oct. 31 1838	Nov. 12 1861
Prussia	William I., King	Mar. 22 1797	Jan. 2 1861
Russia	Pius IX., Pope	May 13 1792	June 16 1846
Russia	Alexander II., Emperor ..	April 29 1818	Mar. 2 1855
Saxony	John, King	Dec. 12 1801	Aug. 9 1854
Spain	Maria Isabella II., Queen	Oct. 10 1830	Sept. 29 1833
Sweden and Norway	Charles XV., King	May 3 1826	July 8 1859
Turkey	Abdul Aziz Khan, Sultan	Feb. 9 1830	June 25 1861