

John Johnson Collection: Johnson Adds

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An archive of the printing for the royal household by Harrison and Sons, purchased by the Bodleian through Bodley's American Friends.

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2. Rules of Ceremony approved by the King for His Majesty's Court, 1902
3. Visiting List arranged geographically
4. Schedules of Civil Uniforms
5. Memoranda of Ceremonials, by S.P.F., 1895
6. Certain Sermons Appointed by the Queen's Majesty, to be declared and read by all parsons, vicars, and curates, every Sunday and Holy Day in their Churches, [n.d.]
7. Dress Worn by Gentlemen at Her Majesty's Court, 1898
8. The Victoria Faithful Service Medal, c. 1895
9. Wollaston, G. Woods. Coronation Claims, 1910

10. Regulations for His Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress of Windsor Castle, (1901)
11. Costumes Worn by Gentlemen at Her Majesty's Court, 1868
12. The Incorporated Association of Her Majesty's Warrant Holders, 1897
13. The Royal Warrant Holders Register, 1897
14. With their humble duty to His Royal Highness the Duke of York and Her Serene Highness the Princess Victoria Mary of Teck, the following members of Her Majesty's present and past households request their acceptance of the accompanying present ... c. 1900
15. Palace. List of guests for luncheon and dinner. (Hotel Cecil), 1902
16. Buckingham Palace. List of guests for luncheon and dinner, 1902
17. Buckingham Palace. List of guests for luncheon and dinner. (Wimborne House), 1902
18. With their humble duty to Her Royal Highness Princess Maud of Wales, the following members of Her Majesty's Household request her acceptance of the accompanying present, with hearty congratulations on her marriage, [n.d.]
19. Catalogue of pictures in state rooms, St. James's Palace, 1894
20. The Victoria Faithful Service Medal. Rules and regulations, [n.d.]
21. Her Majesty's return from Buckingham Palace to Windsor Castle (via Slough, Eton College, Eton, and Windsor), June 22, 1897
22. Luncheon and dinner list. Their Royal Highnesses Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia, (1897)
23. Offices and addresses of Her Majesty's Household ... corrected to 4th December, 1964
24. Coronation of His Majesty King Edward VII, June 1902. Programme, foreign guest list etc.
25. Rules of ceremony approved by the Queen for Her Majesty's Court, 1889

26. The Victoria Service Medal, c. 1894 (incomplete)
27. The Royal Coronation Guide to London, illustrated, 1902
28. His Majesty's Racing and Breeding Establishments, 1909
29. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony, 1866 (2 copies)
30. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony, 1866 (2 copies)
31. Regulations for Her Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress of Windsor Castle, 1892
32. Private Service in memory of Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Cambridge, at the Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace, Friday, April 12, 1889, at one o'clock (2 copies)
33. The Ministration of Publick Baptism of Infants to be used in the Church, 1865
34. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony. Marriage of Her Highness the Princess Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, 6th July, 1891
35. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony, 1863
36. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony, 1863 (2 copies)
37. Patronages, etc. Granted by Their Majesties, Queen Mary, & other members of the Royal Family, 1949
38. A Form of Service on the occasion of the Thanksgiving for the Recovery of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. To be used at Saint Paul's Cathedral, 27th February 1872
39. Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee Processions. June 22nd, 1897
40. Ceremonial to be observed at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness Victoria-Adelaide-Mary-Louisa... (1858)
41. Ceremonials observed at the Funeral and Lying in State of His Late Majesty King Edward the Seventh of Blessed Memory (1910)
42. Ceremonial observed at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Helena Augusta Victoria ... (1866)

43. Ceremonial. Thanksgiving at St. Paul's Cathedral, 27th February 1872
44. Ceremonials observed at the Funeral of Her Late Most Sacred Majesty Queen Victoria of Blessed Memory, 1901 (2 copies)
45. Ceremonial observed at the Marriage of His Royal Highness Arthur William Patrick Albert ... (1879)
46. Ceremonial observed at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise Caroline Alberta ... (1871)
47. Ceremonial observed at the Marriage of His Highness Leopold George Duncan Albert ... (1882) 2 copies
48. Statutes of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath. 31st January, 1859
49. The Statutes of the Imperial Service Order, 1948
50. Ceremonial observed on the Arrival of the Remains of His Late Royal Highness Leopold George Duncan Albert ... who died at Cannes on the 28th March, 1884. (2 copies, same as 54)
51. Ceremonial observed at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret of Connaught 1905
52. The London Gazette. Published by Authority, Friday, March 16, 1900
53. The following ceremonial was observed on Wednesday, 20th January, 1892, when the Remains of His Late Royal Highness Albert Victor Christian Edward ... were removed from Sandringham...
54. Ceremonial observed on the Arrival of the Remains of His Late Royal Highness Leopold George Duncan Albert ... who died at Cannes on the 28th March, 1884. (2 copies, same as 50)
55. Statutes of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, 1948
56. His Majesty's Yacht 'Victoria and Albert', [n.d., c. 1905)
57. Ceremonial. Windsor Castle, 10th March, 1863. Upon this day at half-past twelve o'clock was solemnized ... the Marriage of His Royal Highness Albert Edward...
58. Celebration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, 1897 (3 copies)

59. Celebration of Her Majesty's Jubilee, 1887
60. The Coronation of Their Majesties King George V. and Queen Mary in Westminster Abbey, on 22nd June , 1911 ... categories of person who received the King's invitation
61. Schedules of Civil Uniforms, 1860
62. Ceremonial observed at the Marriage of Her Highness the Princess Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, with His Highness the Prince Aribert of Anhalt, July 6, 1891
63. Honours and Awards. A Daily Mirror spotlight, [n.d.]
64. Tillett, E.D. The Royal House of Windsor, 1937
65. German Hymns and Sacred Songs selected by Her Majesty the Queen, and by her inscribed to the dear memory of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort. With an English translation by Edgar A. Bowring, 1862
66. Ceremonial at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice Mary Victoria Feodore ... [n.d.] 2 copies
67. Correspondence and papers respecting the visit of their Imperial Majesties King George V and Queen Mary to India ... 1911–1912
68. Dress worn at His Majesty's Court, 1908
69. The Ceremonies observed at the Royal Coronation of Their Majesties King George the Fifth and Queen Mary ... 1911, 2 copies
70. Statutes of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, 1911
71. Wollaston, G. Woods. Coronation of King Edward VII. The Court of Claims. Cases and Evidence
72. The Ceremonials observed at the Lying in State and Funeral of His Late Majesty King Edward VII (1910)
73. The Coronation of Their Majesties King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra at Westminster Abbey, on 9th August, 1902. Categories of persons who received the King's invitation

74. Règles du Cérémonial approuvé par la Reine pour la Cour de Sa Majesté, c. 1888
75. Schedules of Civil Uniforms, 1875
76. Their Royal Highnesses the Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. Itinerary and outline programme of Commonwealth Tour, January–June 1952
77. Westminster Abbey. Coronation of Their Majesties King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra, 1902. Specimen of admission tickets
78. Coronation of His Majesty King Edward VII. June, 1902. Programme, foreign guest list, etc.
79. Rules of Ceremony approved by the Queen for Her Majesty's Court, 1861
80. Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh. Itinerary and outline programme of Commonwealth Tour, 23 November, 1953 – 15 May, 1954
81. Rules of Ceremony Approved by the Queen, 1841
82. Catalogue of the Pictures in His Majesty's Gallery and the State Rooms at Buckingham Palace, 1885
83. The Coronation of Their Majesties King George VI and Queen Elizabeth in Westminster Abbey, on 12th May, 1937. Categories of peers and peeresses who received the King's Summons and persons who received the King's invitation
84. Uniforms to be worn by Her Majesty's Civil Servants Home and in the Colonies, c. 1860
85. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony. Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise of Wales with the Earl of Fife ... on July 27th, 1889 (2 copies)
86. The Solemnization of Matrimony, 1904

87. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony. Marriage of His Royal Highness the Duke of York, with Her Serene Highness the Princess Victoria Mary of Teck ... on July 6th, 1893
88. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony. Marriage of Her Royal Highness, the Princess Louise, 1871 (2 copies)
89. Persons officially and personally holding the privilege of the Entrée at St. James Palace, 1860
90. Persons officially and personally holding the privilege of the Entrée at St. James Palace, 1878
91. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony. Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Maud of Wales with His Royal Highness the Prince Charles of Denmark ... on July 22nd, 1896
92. Entrée at St. James's Palace. Names of persons entitled to the privilege by personal grant, [n.d.]
93. Persons Officially and Personally holding the privilege of the Entrée at the Palace, 1896
94. Ceremonial to be observed at the Marriage of His Royal Highness Arthur William Patrick Albert ... March 13, 1879
95. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony. Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Alice of Albany ... 1904
96. Conder, Captain. The Princes' Visit to the Holy Land, 1882
97. Funeral of Her Late Royal Highness the Duchess of Cambridge. Kew Church, Saturday, 13th April, 1889. Order of Service
98. Dress worn by Gentlemen at His Majesty's Court and on occasions of ceremony, 1903
99. Dress and Insignia worn at His Majesty's Court, 1921
100. Form of Consecration of the Royal Mausoleum, at Frogmore, December 17th, 1862
101. The King's House: Burhill (1936)

102. The ceremonies observed at the Royal Coronation of Their Most Excellent Majesties King Edward the Seventh and Queen Alexandra ... 1902
103. Ceremonial Observed on the morning of Saturday, April 5th, 1884 ... The remains of His Late Royal Highness Leopold George Duncan Albert ... were removed from the Albert Memorial Chapel
104. Ceremonial to be observed at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Maud ... 1896
105. Ceremonial observed at the Marriage of His Royal Highness George Frederick Ernest Albert, Duke of York ... 1893
106. Ceremonial to be observed at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness Princess Victoria Patricia Helena Elizabeth ... 1919
107. The following ceremonial was observed on Wednesday, 20th January, 1892, when the remains of His Late Royal Highness Albert Victor Christian Edward ... were removed from Sandringham
108. Ceremonial to be observed at the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise of Wales ... 1889
109. The ceremonies to be observed at the Royal Coronation of ... King George the Sixth and Queen Elizabeth ... 1937
110. The Royal Victorian Order. List of Members, 1948
111. The Ministration of Publick Baptism of Infants, to be used in the Church (1864)
112. The form of Solemnization of Matrimony. The Marriage of His Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught K.G., March 13th, 1879
113. The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony. Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, 6th July, 1891 (2 copies)
114. The Ministration of Publick Baptism of Infants, to be used in the Church, 1874

Other items

A

A bundle of correspondence between the firm of Harrison and Son and various offices of the Royal Household, referring to printing done, mainly for weddings, between 1910 and 1958. Some of the pieces in this bundle include:

Queen Elizabeth's signature when princess (one page, 8vo, Clarence House, St. James's, [1950])

A group of signed letters (manuscript and typescript) dated August to November 1910, from the embassies of Spain, Norway, Portugal, Germany, Russia, Sweden, Italy, Denmark and the United States, thanking Harrison and Son for copies of the programme of King Edward VII's funeral

A group of letters between Harrison and Son and H.M. Stationery Office, concerning writing paper being designed for the Queen's use

A 20 x 28 inch chart (printed) entitled 'Buckingham Palace. Plan of Ball Room Showing Tables for Coronation Banquet, 20th June, 1911

Correspondence relating to the printing, in 1931, of a list of the Masters of the Horse

Sample tickets to the wedding of the Duke of Kent and Princess Marina of Greece on November 29, 1934

A letter of 31 December, 1935 from Harrison and Son (one page, 4to, typed) to the Duke of Kent's secretary, asking what should be done with the bindings removed from 'the 18 volumes of music'

A letter of 2 February, 1939 (1 page, 4to) from A.H.S. Howard of the College of Arms, enclosing corrected proofs (not present) of a coronation book

Correspondence from October, 1939, between Harrison's and H.M. Stationery Office, showing that Harrison's was having trouble getting the paper needed to print a sudden rush of war-related Royal Household publications (books or pamphlets on gunnery, depth charges, seamanship, control of civil population, etc).

A signed typescript letter from D. Colles, Secretary of the Privy Purse, (1 p., 4to, Windsor Castle, 28 Sept, 1939) asking Harrison's to suspend binding of

‘Nominal Rolls of the Silver Jubilee and Coronation Medal Recipients’ until ‘after the end of the war

Numerous proofs, in different states and of widely varying dates, of the royal arms

A sample ticket to the coronation of King George V and Queen Mary in 1911

Accounts, receipts and invoices for various printing jobs done by Harrison’s in 1939 for the royal household

A memo from Harrison’s to the office of Burke’s Peerage and Baronetage, (1 p., oblong 8vo, Pall Mall, London, January 31, 1894) asking when the new edition of ‘The Diplomatic Uniform Book’ will be ready

A carbon of a typed list (6 pp., 4to) entitled ‘Printing executed for H.RH. the Duke of Edinburgh’ covering the period from March, 1948 to July 19, 1955

Proofs for colour plates to be used in the 1929 edition of *Dress Worn at Court*

Five signed letters (manuscript and typescript) (5 pp. 4to and 8vo, 10 March to 19 June 1950) from the chief clerk of the Queen’s Household, A.G. Wickens, to Harrison’s relating to the printing of a booklet listing the Queen’s patronages and service appointments.

B

A second bundle of correspondence between Harrison’s and the Royal Household, dating between 1938 and 1953, concerning details of printing done for Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh and the Duchess of Kent.

There are about 250 pieces in this bundle, including:

A specimen for a seal to be used on warrants by the Prince of Wales

A typescript letter (signed) (1 p., 4to, Buckingham Palace, March 5th 1952) from Arthur Penn, Treasurer to the Queen Mother, asking Harrison’s to print 300 to 350 copies of a sermon preached on the ‘Sunday following the King’s death’

Correspondence concerning letter paper that is to bear the royal arms

A typescript letter (signed) of 29th November 1952 (1 p., 4to, Central Chancery of the Orders of Knighthood, St. James Palace) from a Mr. de la Bere to Harrison's, urging a speedy completion of 'some of the Lists of Members of the Orders which I have sent you recently. Those about which I am worried at present are the Bath and Imperial Order lists')

Letters relating to the printing of Queen Elizabeth's Coronation Book

A typescript letter (signed from Lieut-General Sir Frederick Browning to W. Hall of Harrison's (1 p., 4to, Buckingham Palace, 16 March, 1953), asking Hall's help in finding work for an old friend

A carbon of a typescript letter from Harrison's to a Mr. Chalk of London (1 p., 8vo, April 21, 1953), asking him to 'kindly abstain from calling in relation to the obtaining of 'specimens of printing done for the Royal Household

Letters between Harrison's and the Lord Chamberlain's Office concerning the printing of windscreen labels for Queen Elizabeth's coronation

Correspondence relating to the Royal Commonwealth Tour of 1953-54 (especially to a list of passengers on the S.S. Gothic that Harrison's is to print)

C

Two folio albums containing samples of printing done for King George VI's coronation, and for a variety of royal occasions between 1922 and 1925, such as:

The wedding of Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles on February 28, 1922

A memorial service for the Duchess of Albany on 8 September 1922

The wedding of the Duke of York and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon on 26 April, 1923

The state visit of the King and Queen of Romania in May, 1924

The funeral of Queen Alexandra in 1925

One album is in buckram leather, the other in crumbling half-leather.

With hundreds of tickets, programmes, calling cards, printed invitations, etc. pasted or laid in

D

Three clothbound 8vo notebooks containing (tipped in) correspondence between Harrison and Son and the various branches of the Royal Household.

One contains approximately a dozen letters and proofs, dating from 1938 to 1955, regarding seals being used by the Queen on royal warrants.

The second covers details of printing done for the Royal Tour of 1953–4 (approximately 20 letters)

The third contains 13 letters which document the various changes in royal stationery necessitated by the death of George VI and the accession of Queen Elizabeth

E

A packet of 36 tickets to the coronation of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra in 1902. Each ticket is different, and represents either a certain category of attendant at the coronation (such as ‘Press’ or ‘Band’), or a different section of Westminster Abbey (Nave South, Triforium, North Transept, Choir Stalls, etc.)

F

A folio, buckram-bound volume containing approximately 115 samples of printing done by Harrison’s in connection with the funeral of King George V, on January 20, 1936, and with the coronation of George VI in May, 1937. Included are tickets, invitations, windshield stickers, seating charts, menus, programmes, and such lists as ‘Allotment of Cars to Foreign Representatives’ and ‘Car Processions to Westminster Abbey on the 12th May, 1937’. Tipped in at the front is a carbon typescript (4 pp., folio with a few corrections in the hand of J.C. Phillips, who has signed his name at the end) sent by Harrison’s to H.M.

Stationery Office, giving an account of the overtime work that had to be done in order to finish the printing connected with the funeral of George V.