Household of Caroline, Princess of Wales (1795-1821)

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Household of Caroline of Brunswick, Princess of Wales
(from 1820, Queen) 1795-1821

At their marriage in 1795, £12,253 per annum was set aside out of the Prince of Wales’s newly augmented revenue for the household expenses of Caroline, Princess of Wales. In 1820 she accepted the Crown’s offer of £50,000 per annum in return for leaving the country.¹

1. E. A. Smith, George IV [New Haven, 1999], p. 78; NDNB.

Council

Attorney General c. 1821

By 1821 Brougham, H.

Solicitor General c. 1821

By 1821 Denman, T.

Chamber and Bedchamber

Chamberlain c. 1796-c. 1801; c. 1817-1820

By 1796 Cholmondeley, 4th Earl of

By 1817 Craven, Hon. K.

Secretary to the Lord Chamberlain c. 1796-c. 1801

By 1796 Brent, T.

Vice Chamberlain c. 1796-1821

There appear to have been two vice chamberlains by the end of Caroline’s life.

By 1796 Thomas, C. N.
By 1809 St. Leger, A.
By 1821 Craven, Hon. K.
By 1821 Gell, Sir W.

Pages of the Presence Chamber c. 1796-1820

Two pages of the Presence Chamber were appointed by 1796. One served c. 1801-c. 1808, two again thereafter.

By 1796 Clark, J.
By 1796 Strikeman, J.
By 1808 Roberts, S.

[Keeper of the] Privy Purse c. 1795-c. 1799; c. 1801-1820

By 1796 Vanneck, --
By 1801 Hayman, --

Ladies of the Bedchamber c. 1795-1821

Three ladies of the Bedchamber were appointed by 1795. Their number went down to two by 1801, but rose again to three by 1809, four c. 1814-c. 1820. There seems to have been but one at the end of Caroline’s life.

By 1795 Carnarvon, Countess of
By 1795 Cholmondeley, Countess of
By 1795 Jersey, Countess of
1796 12 July Willoughby of Eresby, Lady
1797 5 Apr. Southampton, Lady
By 1799 Sheffield, Lady
By 1809 Lindsay, Lady
By 1811 Campbell, Lady
By 1814 Hamilton, Lady

Women of the Bedchamber c. 1795-1820

Four women of the bedchamber were appointed by 1795, five by 1797. Their number fell to three by 1804 two by 1809, one by 1814.

By 1795 Fitzroy, --
By 1795 Hervey, --
By 1795 Pelham, --
By 1795 Vernon, --
By 1796 Lisle, --
1796 11 Oct. Coleman, --
1797 5 Apr. Garth, --

Maids of Honour c. 1795

Four maids of honour were appointed by 1795, but fail to appear thereafter.

By 1795 Colman, --
By 1795 Erskine, --
By 1795 Pointz, --
By 1795 Bruhl, --

Pages of the Backstairs c. 1796-1820
Three pages of the Backstairs were appointed by 1796. Their number fell to two by 1801 (but see Page and House Steward, below), one by 1808.

By 1796  Cole, W.
By 1796  Hownham, R.
By 1796  Satchwell, R.
By 1801  Bidgood, T.
By 1808  Gosden, T.

Page and House-Steward c. 1801-c. 1805; 1821

By 1801  Gray, W.
By 1821  Hyronymous, J.

Pages 1821

Two pages made £60 per annum apiece.¹

1. CJ LXXVII (1822), 606.

By 1821  Krackler, P.
By 1821  Milburn, W.

Attendant c. 1801-c. 1805

By 1801  Bidgood, R., jun.

Mistress of the Robes c. 1795-1817

By 1795  Townshend, Marchioness
By 1809  Glenbervie, Lady

Physicians c. 1806-1820

One physician was appointed by 1806, two by 1808.

By 1806  Underwood, M.
By 1808  Mayo, J.

Surgeon c. 1802-c. 1806.

Two surgeons were appointed by 1802. Their number fell to one by 1803.

By 1802  Edmeades, T.
By 1802  Mills, S. G.
Surgeon Extraordinary c. 1798-c. 1805
By 1798 Tudor, W.

Surgeon and Apothecary c. 1803-c. 1805
By 1803 Edmeades, T.

Apothecaries c. 1808
By 1808 Mills and Co.

Chaplain c. 1800
By 1800 Cooke, J.

Gardiner c. 1808-1820
By 1808 Arthur, J.

Household Below Stairs

Maitre d’Hotel c. 1804-1820
By 1804 Sicard, J.

Man-Cook c. 1801-c. 1804
By 1801 Sicard, J.

Cooks c. 1804-1821
There was one cook c. 1804-1820; four are listed in 1821.
By 1804 Vaughan, T.
By 1821 Scabelon, J.
By 1821 Adolphus, J.
By 1821 Tiley, R.
By 1821 Prockler, H.

Coachman c. 1796-c. 1804
By 1796 White, J.
By 1801 Millward, G.
Nursery

Governess to the Nursery c. 1797-c. 1806

1797  18 Jan.  Elgin, Dowager Countess of

Sub-Governess c. 1796-c. 1801

By 1796  Garth, --

Dressers to the Nursery c. 1801-c. 1806

Two dressers to the Nursery were appointed.

By 1801  Gagrin, --
By 1801  Petite, V.

Wet Nurse c. 1796-c. 1801

By 1796  Bowers, --

Seamstress to the Nursery c. 1801-c. 1806

By 1801  Pohl, --