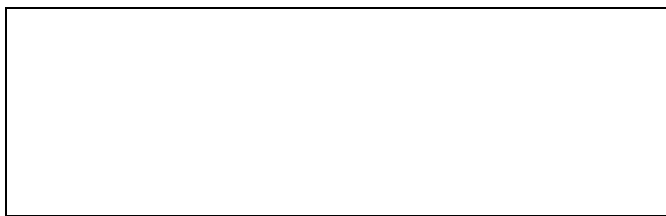


Festetics de Tolna

Description of Arms :



Principal Title : Prince Festetics de Tolna.

Creation : Hungary, 1911, with prefix of Serene Highness.

Subsidiary Titles : Count (1766)

Family Name : Festetics (originally Ferztheschych).

Family History : This family is of Croatian origin and is listed, in the bourgeoisie, in 1558. It was enobled in 1612. This was confirmed, with the grant of arms, in 1625, when the name was registered as Feistechych.

Following the great famine of 1629, they emigrated to Transdanubia and were to be found (1634) in Vas in the service of the great family of Batthyány. A slow start for a family that reached the rank of prince, one of only four to be so honoured in Hungary. Four years later, however, they acquired the domaine of Tolna, as a result of a marriage into the Bornemisza de Kis-Unyom family.

They then divided into two branches and the title of count was awarded in 1766, for the senior branch, with the addition of Tolna to their name. This honour was extended, shortly afterwards, to the junior line as well. Originally of Hungarian source, the title was then extended to that of count of Austria and then, finally, the style of prince was accorded in 1911. This was for male primogeniture but carried the valued prefix of Serene Highness.

The rank of prince was confirmed, in 1934, and that of count for other branches on various occasions, between 1924 and 1943.

The head of the family, Prince George-Tassilo, the third of the creation, remains in Austria. Other members are to be found in Argentina, Holland, Germany, France, Hungary and the United States of America.

There are, also, still to be found in Croatia, members of the original family.

Festetics de Tolna

Petrus Ferstecsics
(b. 1504-)

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1720

Josef Festetics de Tolna

Paul,
Count (1766) Karl,
Count (1766)

before 1772

Paul Festetics de Tolna,
Count (1772)

August
Count (1857) Samuel
Count (1857) Dionei
Count (1857)

Count Georges Festetics de Tolna,
= Countess Eugenie Erdödy de Monyorokerek

Talisso (1850-1933), Count Festetics de Tolna, 1st Prince (1911)
= (1880) Mary Victoria Douglas-Hamilton (1850-1922)

Maria
(1881-1953) = Georg (1882-1941), 2nd Prince
(1938) countess Maria von Haugwitz (1900-1972) Alessandra
(1884-1963) Karola-Friederike
(1888-1951)

GEORG (1941-), 3rd Prince
= (1977) Josephine Harmer (1943-)

count TASSILO
(1978-)

Bueno (1912-)
Count Paul (1904-)
Count Ladislav (1939-)
Count