

Dufferin and Ava, The Right Hon. Frederick Temple Blackwood, Marquis of, and fourth Earl of Dufferin (b. 1826), at the opening of his political career visited Ireland, during the potato famine, and wrote most interesting accounts of his experiences there. In 1855 he joined Lord John Russell's mission to Vienna, and in 1859 visited Iceland, and published his *Letters from High Latitudes*. In 1860 he was appointed British Commissioner in Syria, and for the ability with which he investigated the question of the massacre of the Christians was rewarded with a K.C.B. In 1872 he was appointed Governor-General of Canada, which position he held till 1878, when he was succeeded by the Marquis of Lorne. In 1879 Lord Dufferin was appointed Ambassador to St. Petersburg, and three years later was sent to Constantinople to arrange with the Porte for the joint occupation of Egypt, in which he displayed great ability. In 1882 he went to Cairo to settle the affairs of the country after Arabi Pasha's rebellion, and in 1884 he succeeded Lord Ripon as Governor-General of India. During his administration Burmah was annexed to England, and vigorous measures were taken to strengthen the frontier against Russian advance. In 1890 Lord Dufferin returned to England, and was created Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, and was appointed ambassador in Rome, and in 1891 ambassador in Paris.

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