

in order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to The Queen.

The state apartments will not be open for the reception of Company coming to Court, until half-past one o'clock.

Notice is hereby given, that all persons having petitions or addresses to present to Her Majesty at the Levees, are to deliver a card (having on it their names, a statement of the object of such Petitions or Addresses, and the names of the persons from whom they come), to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, before twelve o'clock, on the Saturday previous to each Levee above announced, and that two other cards, having on them precisely what is written upon that sent to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, are to be taken to the Levees; one to be delivered to the Page in the Ante-Room, and the other to the Lord Chamberlain, who will read its contents to The Queen; and, on these occasions, no other statement is to be addressed to Her Majesty.

A Deputation to present an Address is not to exceed four persons.

Foreign-Office, April 8, 1856.

NOTICE is hereby given, that pending the ratification of the Treaty of Peace, an armistice by sea, as well as by land, has been agreed upon between Great Britain and her Allies on the one part, and Russia on the other; and that consequently orders have been given for immediately raising the Blockade of Russian ports.

AT the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 4th day of *April*, 1856.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day the Right Honourable Sir Lawrence Peel, Knight, was, by Her Majesty's command, sworn of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

Her Majesty having been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable William Henry, Lord Leigh, to be Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the county of Warwick, his Lordship this day took the oaths appointed to be taken thereupon, instead of the oaths of allegiance and supremacy.

AT the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 4th day of *April*, 1856,

PRESENT.

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixth and seventh years of the reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled "An Act for rendering more easy the taking the poll at county elections," it is enacted that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, from time to time, on petition from the justices of any county, riding, parts, or division in England or Wales, in quarter sessions assembled, representing that the number of polling

places for such county, riding, parts, or division, is insufficient, and praying that the place or places mentioned in the said petition may be a polling place or polling places for the county, riding, parts, or division, of the county within which such place or places is or are situate, to declare that any place or places mentioned in the said petition shall be a polling place or polling places for that county, riding, parts, or division, and that the justices of the peace for such county riding, parts, or division, in quarter sessions, or some special sessions assembled, as mentioned in the Act passed in the third year of the reign of His said late Majesty, intituled "An Act to settle and determine the divisions of counties and the limits of cities and boroughs in England and Wales, in so far as respects the election of Members to serve in Parliament," shall, conformably to the said last-mentioned Act, divide such county, riding, parts, or division, into convenient polling districts, and assign one of such districts to each polling place;

And whereas the justices of the peace for the county of Southampton, in quarter sessions assembled, on the thirty-first day of December last, have presented a petition to Her Majesty in Council, representing that the number of polling places for the Isle of Wight, in the said county, is insufficient, and praying that the town of Ventnor may be a polling place for the said isle, within which such town is situate;

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, having taken the said petition into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to declare, order, and direct, and it is hereby declared, ordered, and directed, that the town of Ventnor shall be a polling place for the Isle of Wight; and that the justices of the peace for the county of Southampton, in quarter sessions or some special sessions assembled, as mentioned in the said Act, passed in the third year of the reign of His said late Majesty, shall, conformably to the said Act, divide the said Isle of Wight into convenient polling districts, and assign one of such districts to each polling place.

C. C. Greville.

AT the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 4th day of *April*, 1856,

PRESENT.

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the session of Parliament, held in the ninth and tenth years of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act for the more easy recovery of small debts and demands in England," it is among other things enacted, that it should be lawful for Her Majesty, with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order that the said Act be put in force in such county or counties as to Her Majesty, with the advice aforesaid, from time to time, should seem fit, and to divide the whole or part of any such county (including all counties of cities, and counties of towns, cities, boroughs, towns, ports, and places, liberties and franchises therein contained or thereunto adjoining), into districts, and to order that the County Court should be holden for the recovery of debts and demands under the said Act, in each of such districts, and from time to time to alter such districts as to Her Majesty, with the advice aforesaid, should seem fit, and to order, from time to time, that the number of districts, in and for which the Court should be