

bation. It is Her Majesty's Command, that no presentations shall be made at the Drawing Room, except in accordance with the above regulations.

It is particularly requested that in every case the names be *very distinctly written* upon the cards to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, in order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to the Queen.

It is not expected that Gentlemen will present themselves at Drawing Rooms, except in attendance on the Ladies of their families.

Any Gentleman who under these circumstances should desire to be presented to The Queen, will observe the same regulations as are in force, for Her Majesty's Levees.

The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at two o'clock.

SYDNEY,
Lord Chamberlain.

India Office, April 9, 1873.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint William Ainslie, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, to be a Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William, in Bengal.

The Queen has also been pleased to appoint Ernest George Birch, Esq., of the Bengal Civil Service, to be a Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William, in Bengal.

Whitehall, March 31, 1873.

The Right Honourable Henry Austin Bruce, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has appointed William Nicholas Atkinson, Esq., to be an Inspector of Coal and certain other Mines, under "The Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1872" (35 and 36 Vict., cap. 76).

(S. & C. 631.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
April 10, 1873.*

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a translation of a Note addressed by the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs to Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Yedo, announcing that the Japanese Government intend for the future to relax the existing prohibition against the export of saltpetre, and to allow its export in the same manner as other articles of merchandize at an ad valorem duty of 5 per cent. Should a renewal of the prohibition be found necessary, notice thereof will be given thirty days in advance.

Admiralty, 8th April, 1873.

The following promotions have been this day made:—

Sub-Lieutenants:

Charles James Reddie,
Robert Murray Rumsey,
Henry Harvey Boteler,
John Henry Pelly,
Harry Lieth Ross,
Henry Edward O'Neill,

Lawrence Henry Eliot,
Alexander William Ogilvy,
Edward John Bawtree,
Charles Reeve,
Arthur Furlonger,
Edward John Louis de Watteville,
Thomas Harvie Shersby Robertson,
William Burnell Ponsford,
Francis Charles Bridgeman Bridgeman-
Simpson,
Arthur Heberden Baker,
Augustus Maitland Ronald Hamilton,
John George Mostyn Field,
Richard William Okes Voysey,
Archibald Kempt Harenc,
Lewis Edmund Wintz,
George Alexander Gordon Grant,
George Fowler Hall,
Honourable Foley Charles Prendergast
Vereker,
Robert Thomas Wood,
Arthur Barrow,
to be Lieutenants in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Admiralty, 9th April, 1873.

The undermentioned Officers have this day been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

William Henry John Aitken.
Horatio Wellington Peel Kooystra.

The undermentioned Officers have been allowed to assume the rank of Paymaster-in-Chief from the date of their retirement on the 26th March, 1873:—

William E. Sanders.
Edward J. Bennett.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 3rd March, 1873—

Paymaster Frederick E. Pirkis has this day been placed on the Retired List.

Admiralty, 10th April, 1873.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Vice-Admiral Francis Scott, C.B., has been placed on the Retired List from the 6th instant.

And the following promotions consequent thereon have been made from the same date:—

Rear-Admiral Arthur Farquhar to be Vice-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Captain Thomas Miller to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Consequent on the foregoing, the following promotions on the Retired List have also taken place, from the same date:—

Retired Rear-Admirals:

Charles Edmunds,
John T. Talbot,
Sir Adolphus Slade, K.C.B.,
John Hay,

to be Retired Vice-Admirals.

Retired Captains:

Richard A. Powell, C.B.,
John Borlase, C.B.,
Vincent A. Massingberd,
James Rowstone,

to be Retired Rear-Admirals.