The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at half-past one o'clock.

LATHOM, Lord Chamberlain.

Foreign Office, May 1, 1896.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Captain John Frederick Whyte to be Her Majesty's Consul at Bussorah; James Robert Phillips, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Deputy Commissioner and Consul for the Niger Coast Protectorate and adjoining native Territories; Captain Trevor Patrick Breffney Ternan to be Her Majesty's Deputy Commissioner and Consul for the Protectorate of Uganda and adjoining Territories; and John Airsworth, Esq., Malph Cator, Esq., Clifford Henry Crawford, Esq., Arthur Charles William Jenner, Esq., and Alexander Stuart Rogers, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consuls in the East Africa Protectorate.

Foreign Office, May 26, 1896.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Arthur Augustus William Harry Ponsonby, Esq., to be a Third Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office, May 30, 1896.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Emin Bey as Consul-General of Turkey at Livergool, and of Mr. Frank W. Roberts as Consul of the United States of America at Cape Town.

Downing Street, June 3, 1896.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of when appointment of Wilbraham Tollemache Asthur Edwards, Esq., to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Colony of Mauritius.

Whitehall, June 4, 1896.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for presenting the Reverend William Cosmo Gordon Lang, M.A., to the Vicarage of the Parish Church of St. Mary with St. Barnabas, Portsea, in the county of Southampton, and Diocese of Winchester, void by the promotion of the late Vicar to the See of Newcastle.

Whitehall, June 4, 1896.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, bearing date the 3rd June, 1896, to ordain that the Chief Magistrate, now, and for the time being, of the City of Birmingham, shall be styled Lord Mayor of Birmingham.

Grown Office, June 4, 1896.

NEMBERS returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

County of Somerset .- Frome Division.

From Emmett Barlow, Esq., in the place of the Honourable Thomas Henry Thynne (commonly called Viscount Weymouth), new Marquess of Bath, called up to the House of Peers.

June 5, 1896.

Wick District of Burghs.

Thomas Charles Hunter Hedderwick, Esq., in the place of Sir John Pender, G.C.M.G., who has accepted the Stewardship of the Manor of Northstead.

(S. 1690.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries Department), London, June 5, 1896.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the following Telegram from the Governor of Malta, viz.:—Vessels communicating with Egyptian ports will be subject to seven days' quarantine from date of departure of vessels with passengers from Egyptian ports twenty-one days on board after arrival Vessels not communicating with Egyptian ports granted free pratique.

(S. 1711.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries Department), London, June 5, 1896.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Madrid, reporting that Amoy, China, has been declared foul for vessels leaving after 15th May.

Admiralty, 1st June, 1896.

Lieutenant on probation William Hugh Leadbeater to be Lieutenant on the Supplementary List of Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 31st October, 1895.

The undermentioned Assistant Paymasters have been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

Her Majesty's Fleet:— Frederick Richard Waymouth. Dated 11th

May, 1896.

George Whitcroft. Dated 13th May, 1896.

Charles Douglas Moore Horne. Dated 13th May, 1896.

William Budd Penny. Dated 13th May, 1896.

Admiralty, 2nd June, 1896.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1681—Stuff Surgeon John Lewis Bagnall-Oakley has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 6th May, 1896.

Assistant Paymaster Richard Ernest Stanley
Storgess has been promoted to the rank of
Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated

21st May, 1896.

Admiralty, 3rd June, 1896.

THE undermentioned Staff Paymasters have been advanced to the rank of Fleet Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet:— James Auten Bell. Dated 20th May, 1896. Alfred George Hill. Dated 2nd June, 1896.

Admiralty, 4th June, 1896.

THE following Acting Sub-Lieutenants have been domirmed as Sub-Lieutenants in Her Majcsty's Fleet:—

Basil Stratford Noake. Dated 14th October, 1894.

Claud Denison Burney. Dated 14th November, 1894.

John Evelyn Bray. Dated 14th March, 1895. Thomas Acland Williams. Dated 14th March, 1895.