should desire to be presented to The Queen wil 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.

LATHOM, Lord Chamberlain.

## LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, ST. JAMES' PALACE, April 23, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be closed on and after Tuesday the 28th instant, until further orders.

## PRIVY COUNCIL OFFICE, DUBLIN CASTLE, April 22, 1896.

At a Meeting of the Privy Council held this day in the Council Chamber, Dublin Castle, Field Marshal the Right Honourable Lord Roberts, G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., V.C., the Right Honourable The Vice-Chancellor, and the Right Honourable The Master of the Rolls, were sworn Lords Justices for the Government of Ireland during the absence of His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant.

J. B. DOUGHERTY.

# CHANCERY OF THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE, DOWNING STREET, April 17, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, in recognition of services rendered in Matabeleland:—

To be an Ordinary Member of the Third Class, or Companions of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

The Honourable Maurice Raymond Gifford.

# CHANCERY OF THE ORDER OF SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT GEORGE,

DOWNING STREET, April 23, 1896.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give directions for the following appointments to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:—

To be Ordinary Members of the First Class, or Knights Grand Cross of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Shazada Habibulla Khan, of Afghanistan. Shazada Nasrulla Khan, of Afghanistan.

#### DOWNING STREET, April 23, 1896.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of the re-appointment of Ho Kai, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong.

#### CROWN OFFICE, April 23, 1896.

Her Majesty has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to create and institute an Order of Knighthood, to be called and known by the name and Style of "The Royal Victorian Order."

#### CROWN OFFICE, April 24, 1896.

The Queen has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to grant unto Sir Charles Lister Ryan, K.C.B., an annuity of £1333, 6s. 8d., to commence from the 6th April 1896 inclusive.

#### FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1878.

In pursuance of Section 67 of the above Act, the Right Honourable Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has been pleased to appoint Arthur Wolfe, Esq., to be an Inspector of Factories and Workshops.

Whitehall, April 22, 1896.

# FACTORY AND WORKSHOP ACT, 1878.

In pursuance of Section 67 of the above Act, the Right Honourable Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, has been pleased to appoint Ernest Jones Holmes, Esq., to be an Inspector of Factories, for the performance of the duties necessary under section 24 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1891, as Assistant-Examiner of Particulars.

Whitehall, April 22, 1896.

### POST OFFICE SAVINGS BANK.

AMENDED REGULATIONS.

Finance Act, 1894.

In pursuance of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, Her Majesty's Postmaster-General hereby gives notice that Regulations, dated the 1st day of April 1896, have been made by him (with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty' Treasury) amending the principal Regulations of 1893 in relation to their application to Scotland, the Isle of Man, and the Channel Islands, in order to bring them into conformity with the Finance Act, 1894.

And the Postmaster-General further gives notice that copies of the said Regulations may be purchased, either directly or through any bookseller, from Messrs. Eyre & Spottiswoode, East Harding Street, Fleet Street, E.C.; or John Menzies & Co., 12 Hanover Street, Edinburgh, and 90 West Nile Street, Glasgow; or Hodges, Figgis, & Co. Limited, 104 Grafton Street, Dublin.

Dated this 22nd day of April 1896.