of the population, and in that duty they have been powerfully seconded by the liberal aid of my people at home and in my Colonies. I have directed that an inquiry should be made into the measures most proper to diminish the danger of such calamities for the future.

The condition of native affairs in South Africa has of late caused me some anxiety, and has demanded the watchful attention of my Government. I have thought it expedient to reinforce my troops in that part of my Empire. I trust that a peaceable and satisfactory settlement of all differences may be shortly obtained.

## Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I have directed the Estimates of the year to be prepared and presented to you without delay.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

A Bill will be laid before you upon the subject of County Government, and your attention will be again called to the consolidation of the Factory Law, and to the Summary Jurisdiction of Magistrates.

You will be asked at an early period of the Session to take into your consideration a Bill on the subject of Cattle Disease in this country.

The questions of Scottish Roads and Bridges, and of Endowed Schools and Hospitals in Scotland, will also be brought before you.

Your attention will be invited to the subject of Intermediate Education in Ireland, and to the Grand Jury Law in that country.

Among other measures for the amendment of the Law, a Bill will be laid before you to simplify and express in one Act the whole Law and Procedure relating to Indictable Offences.

I commend these subjects to your most careful consideration, and I pray that the blessing of the Almighty may attend and guide your deliberations.

## LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, January 12, 1878.

RDERS for the Court's going into Mourning on Tuesday the 15th instant, for His late Majesty The King of Italy, viz.:—

The Ladies to wear black Dresses, white Gloves, black or white Shoes, Feathers, and Fans, Pearls, Diamonds, or plain gold or silver Ornaments.

The Gentlemen to wear black Court Dress, with black Swords and Buckles.

The Court to change the Mourning on Tuesday the 29th instant, viz.:—

The Ladies to wear black Dresses, with coloured Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, and Ornaments, or grey or white Dresses, with black Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, and Ornaments.

The Gentlemen to continue the same Mourning.

And on Tuesday the 5th of February next, the Court to go out of Mourning.

## DUBLIN CASTLE, January 8, 1878.

Her Majesty's Letters Patent have passed the Great Seal of Ireland, appointing the Right Honourable Rickard Deasy, Third Baron of the Court of Exchequer, to be one of the first ordinary Judges of the Court of Appeal in Ireland.

## DUBLIN CASTLE, January 8, 1878.

This day, at the Levee, His Grace the Lord Lieutenant was pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on John Preston, Esq., Mayor of Belfast.

J. BERNARD BURKE, Ulster.

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#### BANKRUPTS

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

## BANKRUPTCY ANNULLED.

Thomas Davidson, of 36 Ellesmere Street, Regent Road, Salford, formerly of 22 Rutland Street, Chorlton-upon-Medlock, Lancaster, draper.

## BANKRUPTCIES AWARDED.

John Land Fysh, of 39 Beresford Road, Highbury New Park, Islington, Middlesex, commercial traveller.

James Cocks, of 51 Netherwood Road West, Kensington Park, and Henry Banerrichter, of 3 Great Tichfield Street, both in Middlesex, lately or now carrying on the trade of tailors, under the style or firm of Cocks & Banerrichter & Co., at 44 Maddox Street, Middlesex.

Hamilton Beckett, of 36 Rochester Road, Kentish Town, Middlesex, of no occupation.

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Newton Wilson, of 144 High Holborn, and Newton Street, High Holborn, both in Middlesex, 141 Cheapside, London, 57 Newington Causeway, the Crystal Palace, Sydenham, both in Surrey, the Alexandria Palace, Muswell Hill, Middlesex, 78 New Street and St. George's Foundry, both in Birmingham, Warwick, 79 Newgate Street, Bishop Auckland, and Northgate, Darlington, both in Durham, Wilson Street, Middlesborough, York, 3 Neville Street, Newcastle on Tyne, Northumberland, 38 and 40 Victoria Street, Bristol, 166 Union Street, Plymouth, Devon, 52 Grafton Street, Dublin, 17 Lombard Street, Belfast, Down, 16 the Arcade, Edinburgh, and 16 Renfield Street, Glasgow, sewing machine manufacturer, trading as Newton, Wilson, & Company.

Joseph Willcox, of 3 Rush Hill Terrace, Lavender Hill

Joseph Willcox, of 3 Rush Hill Terrace, Lavender Hill, Wandsworth Road, Clapham, Surrey, dairyman.

Joseph Ashby Stephens, of Nizells Farm, Hildenborough, Tunbridge, Kent, farmer.

George Wickham, of 20 Old Town Street, grocer, and of 188 Union Street, both in Plymouth, Devon, trading as the West of England Tea Company.

Robert John Pickett, late of the Woolpack Inn, Ellbroad Street, Bristol, licensed victualler.

Charles Blackmore, of Gorse Lane, Swansea, Glamorgan, baker.

Thomas Williams and Julius Whitehead, both of 28 Oxford Street, Chorlton-upon-Medlock, Manchester, Lancaster, wholesale grocers and tea dealers.