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FRIDAY, MAY 12, 1854.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, April 18, 1854.*

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty will hold a Drawing-Room at St. James's Palace, on Saturday, 20th May next, at two o'clock, to celebrate Her Majesty's Birth-day.

N.B. The Knights of the several Orders are to appear in their Collars.

**REGULATIONS TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S DRAWING-ROOM, AT ST. JAMES'S PALACE.**

The Ladies, who purpose to attend Her Majesty's Drawing-Room, at St. James's Palace, are requested to bring with them two large cards, with their names *clearly written* thereon, one to be left with the Queen's Page in Attendance in the Ante-room, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to Her Majesty.

No presentations will take place at the Drawing-Room on the 20th of May next.

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.

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

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, April 18, 1854.*

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty will hold a Levee, at St. James's Palace, on Friday the 9th June next, at two o'clock.

**REGULATIONS TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S LEVEE AT ST. JAMES'S PALACE.**

The Noblemen and Gentlemen, who purpose to attend Her Majesty's Levee, at St. James's Palace, are requested to bring with them two large cards, with their names *clearly written* thereon, one to be left with the Queen's Page in Attendance in the Ante-Room, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to Her Majesty.

Those Gentlemen who are to be presented at the Levee on the 9th of June next, are hereby informed, it is absolutely necessary that their names, with the name of the Nobleman or Gentleman who is to present them, should be delivered at the Lord Chamberlain's Office, before Wednesday, the 7th of June next, by twelve

o'clock, in order that they may be submitted for The Queen's approbation; it being Her Majesty's command, that no presentation shall be made at the Levee but in conformity 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.

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 Levee on the 9th of June next, 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 Wednesday the 7th of June next, 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 Levee; 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.

*Admiralty, May 11, 1854.*

DESPATCHES have been received at this Office from Vice-Admiral Dundas, Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the Mediterranean and Black Sea, of which the following are copies :

No. 172.

*Britannia, off Odessa,  
April 22, 1854.*

I BEG you will lay before the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty the accompanying Correspondence, relative to the fire of the batteries at Odessa on the Furious and her boat, when flying each a flag of truce, which will, I trust, fully explain to their Lordships the exact nature of this uncivilized act of aggression, and the false statements by which General d'Osten Sacken has been led to attempt to justify it. And as, in addition to the fortress of Odessa, the Russians were labouring day and night in strengthening the Moles and erecting formidable sea defences, and had also