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FRIDAY, MAY 18, 1855.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, May 7, 1855.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty will hold Drawing-Rooms at St. James's Palace, on the following days, at two o'clock :

Saturday, 19th May next, { to celebrate Her Majesty's Birth-day.  
Thursday, 14th June next.

N.B. The Knights of the several Orders are to appear in their Collars, at the Drawing-Room on the 19th of May next.

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

The Ladies, who purpose to attend Her Majesty's Drawing-Rooms, 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 same to Her Majesty.

Those Ladies who are to be presented at the Drawing-Room on the 14th of June next, are hereby informed, it is absolutely necessary that their names, with the names of the Ladies who are to present them, should be delivered at the Lord Chamberlain's Office *before twelve o'clock*, on the *Tuesday previous* to the Drawing-Room, or upon any *earlier* day, between the hours of *eleven and four*, in order that they may be submitted for The Queen's approbation; it being Her Majesty's command, that no presentation shall take place, unless the name of the Lady presenting, together with that of the Lady to be presented, shall appear on the card to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, which names shall correspond with those previously sent in to the Lord Chamberlain's Office. No presentations will take place at the Drawing-Room on the 19th 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.

*Buckingham Palace, May 15, 1855.*

This day had audience of Her Majesty ; His Excellency the Count Walewski, Ambassador from the Emperor of the French, to deliver his letter of recall ;

To which he was introduced by the Earl of Clarendon, K.G., Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and conducted by Major-General the Honourable Sir Edward Cust, K.C.H., Her Majesty's Master of the Ceremonies.

*Downing Street, May 15, 1855.*

The Queen has been pleased to constitute the Island of Labuan and its dependencies to be a Bishop's See and Diocese, to be called the Bishoprick of Labuan, and to appoint the Reverend Francis Thomas M'Dougall, D.C.L., to be ordained and consecrated Bishop of the said See.

*Whitehall, May 15, 1855.*

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto

Field-Marshal the Right Honourable FitzRoy James Henry, Lord Raglan, G.C.B., and Vice-Admiral James Whitley Deans Dundas, C.B.,

Her Majesty's Royal Licence and Permission that they may respectively accept and wear the Imperial Order of the Medjidie of the First Class, which the Sultan hath been pleased to confer upon them as a mark of His Imperial Majesty's approbation of their distinguished services before the Enemy during the present War; and that they may enjoy all the rights and privileges thereunto belonging.

*Whitehall, May 17, 1855.*

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto

Lieutenant-General Sir John Fox Burgoyne, G.C.B.,  
Lieutenant-General Sir George Brown, K.C.B., and  
Rear-Admiral Sir Edmund Lyons, Bart., G.C.B.,

Her Majesty's Royal Licence and Permission that they may severally accept and wear the Imperial