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Lord Chamberlain's Office, March 13, 1865.

NOTICE is hereby given, that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will, by command of The Queen, hold a Levee at St. James's Palace, on behalf of Her Majesty, on Wednesday, the 5th of April next.

It is the Queen's pleasure that Presentations to His Royal Highness at this Levee shall be considered as equivalent to Presentations to Her Majesty.

REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S LEVEE TO BE HELD BY HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES, ON BEHALF OF HER MAJESTY, AT ST. JAMES'S PALACE.

By Her Majesty's Command.

The Noblemen and Gentlemen, who propose 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 Corridor, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to His Royal Highness.

PRESENTATIONS.

Any Nobleman or Gentleman who proposes to be presented must leave at the Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, *before twelve o'clock*, two clear days before the Levee, a card with his name written thereon, and with the name of the Nobleman or Gentleman by whom he is to be presented. In order to carry out the existing regulation that no presentation can be made at a Levee excepting by a person actually attending that Levee, it is also necessary that a letter from the Nobleman or Gentleman who is to make the presentation, stating it to be his intention to be present, should accompany the presentation card above referred to, which will be submitted to The Queen for Her Majesty's approbation. It is Her Majesty's command that no presentation shall be made at the Levee, except in accordance 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 His Royal Highness.

The State apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at one o'clock.

SYDNEY,
Lord Chamberlain.

Foreign Office, March 25, 1865.

THE following Despatch, with its inclosures, has been received from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires in Japan:—

Yokohama,
January 13, 1865.

MY LORD,

IT is with great satisfaction that I find it my duty to bring to your Lordship's notice two additional instances of the humane and hospitable treatment, by the Japanese authorities and people, of shipwrecked crews, and of pains taken by them to preserve or recover property or gear belonging to stranded vessels.

In November last, the British barque "Ashmore," proceeding to Hakodadi from this port, was wrecked at Benten sama or Low Island, in the Straits of Tsungaru, and Mr. Interpreter Enslie, who started from Hakodadi on the 27th November, and was only able to reach the scene of the disaster several days later, refers in the highest terms to the kind attentions shown by the Prince of Nambu, who, immediately on hearing of the wreck, issued orders to render to the ship's company every possible assistance.

Secondly, in December last, the British barque "Onward," chartered to take the place of the "Ashmore," was, on her voyage to Hakodadi, wrecked at Kashima, about 250 miles distant from Yokohama. The captain, his wife, two children, and crew were treated with the utmost kindness by the Hatamoto (squire of the village),—the property saved from the wreck, including all their clothes. A box of treasure (5,000 dollars) was carefully guarded, and finally placed on board Her Majesty's steam despatch-gunboat "Coquette" sent to their relief.

It is also incumbent on me to point out the zealous and praiseworthy services of the gentlemen belonging to Her Majesty's Civil Service who proceeded to the assistance of these wrecks, and the risks to which the faithful performance of