

lain's Office, St. James's Palace, *before twelve o'clock*, two clear days before the Levees, 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 presentations shall be made at Levees, 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.

BRADFORD,  
Lord Chamberlain.

*The Prince of Wales's Council Chamber,  
Buckingham Gate, S.W.,  
February 15, 1868.*

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Seal of the Duchy of Cornwall appointing Edward Coode, of Saint Austell, Esq., Sheriff of the county of Cornwall.

*Whitehall, February 15, 1868.*

The Queen has been pleased to present the Reverend William Hector Lyon, M.A., to the Vicarage of Sherborne, in the county of Dorset, and diocese of Sarum, void by the resignation of the Reverend Edward Harston.

*Downing Street, February 15, 1868.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint John Gardiner Austin, Esq., to be Colonial Secretary for the Colony of Hong Kong.

*Whitehall, February 5, 1868.*

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Sir Lionel Eldred Smith, of Florida Manor, in the county of Down, Baronet, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a proviso contained in the last will and testament of his cousin, James Crawford Gordon, late of Florida Manor aforesaid, Clerk, deceased, take and henceforth use the surname of Gordon, in addition to and after that of Smith, and that he and they may bear the arms of Gordon quarterly with those of Smith, such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise

the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

*Privy Council Office, Veterinary Department,  
Princes-street, Westminster, S.W.*

LICENCES to hold Markets for the sale of Cattle, whether intended for immediate slaughter or otherwise, have been issued by the Lords of the Council for the following places:—

Hingham	...	...	Norfolk
Lymington	...	...	Southampton

LICENCES to hold Sales of Cattle, whether intended for immediate slaughter or otherwise, have been issued by the Lords of the Council for the following places:—

Llandebie (The Cross Inn)	...	...	Carmarthen
Llanegwad (The Foley Arms)	...	...	Carmarthen
Llandilo	...	...	Carmarthen
Llangathen	...	...	Carmarthen
Hingham	...	...	Norfolk
Leicester	...	...	Leicester
Middlewich	...	...	Chester
Westgate	...	...	Durham
Mossley	...	...	Lancaster
Great Eccleston	...	...	Lancaster
Bewdley	...	...	Worcester

(Signed) ALEXANDER WILLIAMS.

*February 17, 1868.*

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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,  
February 17, 1868.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister in Japan, reporting that the foreign representatives in that country have given their assent to an arrangement with the Government of the Tycoon, by which the opening to foreign trade of the city of Yedo and the port of Neegata is deferred till the 1st April next, instead of taking place on the 1st January last, on which date the five years postponement allowed by the London agreement of June, 1862, expired.

*Admiralty, 17th February, 1868.*

Mr. Henry Laughrin has this day been promoted to the rank of First Class Assistant Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 13th February, 1868.

*Queen's Commission.*

*29th Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Alexander Bruce Wallis, Esq., late Captain 33rd Regiment, to be Adjutant, from the 25th November, 1867, vice Maule, resigned.