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TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 1873.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, March 11, 1878.

NOTICE is hereby given, that The Queen will hold a Drawing Room at Buckingham Palace, on Tuesday, the 1st of April next, at three o'clock.

REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S DRAWING ROOM AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

By Her Majesty's Command.

The Ladies, who propose to attend Her Majesty's Drawing Room, at Buckingham 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, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to The Queen.

PRESENTATIONS.

Any Lady who proposes to be presented to The Queen must leave at the Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, before twelve o'clock, two clear days before the Drawing Room, a card with her name written thereon, and with the name of the Lady by whom she is to be presented. In order to carry out the existing regulation, that no presentation can be made at a Drawing Room excepting by a Lady actually attending that Court, it is also necessary that an intimation from the Lady who is to make the presentation, of her 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 the Drawing Room, 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 the Queen.

It is not expected that Gentleman will present themselves at Drawing Rooms, except in attendance on the Ladies of their families.

Any Gentleman who under these circumstances should desire to be presented to The Queen, will observe the same regulations as are in force, for Her Majesty's Levees.

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

SYDNEY, Lord Chamberlain.

Foreign Office, March 17, 1873.

FRENCH COMMERCIAL TREATY.

THE following Law, continuing the existing Treaty Tariff, was passed on the 14th instant by the French National Assembly, and has been promulgated by the French Government :--

"Les Tarifs conventionnels resteront en vigueur jusqu'à l'application des Tarifs nouveaux votés ou à voter par l'Assemblée Nationale."

(Translation.)

"The Conventional Tariffs will remain in force until the application of the new Tariffs passed or to be passed by the National Assembly."

St. James's Palace, March 1, 1873.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Raglan George Henry Somerset, Esq., to be one of the Gentlemen Ushers Quarterly Waiters in Ordinary to Her Majesty, in the room of Henry Greville, Esq., deceased.

Foreign Office, March 3, 1873.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Charles Edward Goodman, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul for the Island of Raratonga.

Foreign Office, March 17, 1873.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Rütger Kluender as Consul at Penang for the German Empire.

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Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, March 17, 1873.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch