at Her Majesty's Levee, 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 two clear days previous to the Levee; 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 of the two cards to be delivered to the Page in the Corridor, 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.

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

HERTFORD, Lord Chamberlain.

Downing Street, March 5, 1877.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Sir Henry Bartle Edward Frere, Bart., G.C.B., G.C.S.I., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope, and its Dependencies, and to be Her Majesty's High Commissioner for South Africa.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-General Sir Arthur Augustus Thurlow Cunynghame, K.C.B., to be Lieutenant-Governor ot the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope.

Foreign Office, March 2, 1877.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Cavaliere Giovanni Gallian as Consul-General at Calcutta, with jurisdiction on the Coasts of Hindostan from Cape Comorin to the Northern Frontier of Arakan, for His Majesty the King of Italy.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Ernesto O. Smith as Consul at Sydney for the Republic of Peru.

Whitehall, February 28, 1877.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to ordain and declare that Frederick Ernest Charles Byron, Esquire, Eva Lucy Mary Byron, and Margaret Alice Byron, Spinsters, the brother and sisters of George Frederick William, now Baron Byron, shall henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same title, place, pre-eminence and precedence which would have been due to them had their father, Frederick Byron, Esquire (commonly called the Honourable Frederick Byron), survived his brother, George Anson, late Baron Byron, and thereby succeeded to the dignity of Baron Byron :

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

Crown Office, March 3, 1877.

MEMBERS returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Oldham.

John Tomlinson Hibbert, Esq., of Urmston Grange, near Manchester, in the place of John Morgan Cobbett, Esq., deceased.

March 5.

Borough of Launceston.

Sir Hardinge Stanley Giffard, Knt., Her Majesty's Solicitor-General, in the place of James Henry Deakin, Esq., who has accepted the office of Steward of the Manor of Northstead.

Veterinary Department, Privy Council Office, 44, Parliament-street, Westminster, S.W.

THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1869.

SINCE the notice in the London Gazette of the 27th of February last, cattle-plague has been detected in a dairy at Bow, and in a dairy at Hackney, both within the Metropolis; also in a dairy at Hull, Yorkshire.

March 6, 1877.

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Beard of Trade, 1, Whitehall, March 5, 1877.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from the Acting British Consul-General in Chili, reporting that an Act has passed both Houses of the Chilian Congress which will have the effect of imposing an additional duty of 10 per cent. on the nett duties paid on imported goods.

War Office, Pall Mall, 6th March, 1877.

- 1st Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Captain Richard James Combe Marter, to be Major, vice J. Gunter, promoted into the 4th Dragoon Guards. Dated 7th March, 1877.
- Lieutenant Walter Chrystie Underwood to be Captain, vice R. J. C. Marter. Dated 7th March, 1877.
- 4th Dragoon Guards, Major James Gunter, from the 1st Dragoon Guards, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Brevet Colonel E. Seager, retired on half-pay. Dated 7th March, 1877.
- 2nd Dragoons, Lieutenant Lockhart Mure Harley Kennedy to be Captain, vice G. T. Scott, retired. Dated 24th February, 1877.
- 3rd Hussars, Captain Charles E. Nettles retires on full-pay. Dated 7th March, 1877.
- 10th Hussars, Lieutenant Welby Francis Montrésor has been appointed a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps.
- 16th Lancers, Lieutenant William Noel Hill t, be Captain, vice Brevet Major R. W. Renshaw, retired. Dated 24th February, 1877.
- Corps of Royal Engineers, Major Charles Thomas Haig (late Bombay), to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Brevet Colonet R. S. Sellon, decensed. Dated 23rd January, 1877.
- Captain Alexander Reginald Seton (late Bombay), to be Major, vice C. T. Haig. Dated 23rd January, 1877. Lieutenant William Hans Rathborne to be Cap-
- Lieutenant William Hans Rathborne to be Captain, vice A. R. Seton (late Bombay). Dated 23rd January, 1877.

The following Gentlemen Cadets, from the Royal Military Academy, to be Lieutenants, with temporary rank, viz : —

William Harry Turton, vice P. J. D. Lindoe, placed upon temporary half-pay. Dated 14th February, 1877.