

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 name 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 Her Royal Highness.

It is not expected that Gentlemen 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, 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.

HERTFORD,
Lord Chamberlain.

War Office, March 12, 1879.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of Lieutenant-General Henry Frederick Ponsonby, Keeper of Her Majesty's Privy Purse and Private Secretary to Her Majesty, to be an Ordinary Member of the Civil Division of the Second Class; or Knights Commanders of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

Whitehall, March 8, 1879.

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto Robert Harvey Blake-Humfrey, of Necton Hall, in the county of Norfolk, late of Heggatt Hall, in the parish of Horstead, in the said county, Esquire, in the Commission of the Peace for the same county, Her Royal licence and authority that he may, in compliance with a declaration contained in a certain deed of indenture, and in pursuance of a clause in the last will and testament of Colonel George Blomefield (formerly George Mason), late of Necton Hall aforesaid, deceased, discontinue the use of the surname of Blake, and henceforth take, use, and bear the surname of Mason in addition to and after that of Humfrey, and bear the arms of Mason quarterly with those of Humfrey and Blake, and that such surname and arms of Mason may, in like manner, be taken, used, and borne by his issue, 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.

(H. 2137.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, March 11, 1879.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy

of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Tangier reporting that arrivals from the Black Sea, the Sea of Azov, Greece, the Grecian Archipelago, the Turkish Empire, Montenegro, and Egypt are not admitted to free pratique in Morocco.

(H. 2164).

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, March 12, 1879.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs information to the effect that arrivals in Cyprus from Ottoman ports are no longer repelled, but are subjected instead to seven days' quarantine with disinfection of susceptible articles.

(H. 2165.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, March 13, 1879.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs information to the effect that in consequence of the plague having appeared in Russia, certain sanitary measures will be enforced in the River Weser with respect to vessels arriving from Russia.

Admiralty, 12th March, 1879.

Royal Marine Forces.

THE undermentioned Gentleman has been appointed a Lieutenant in the Royal Marine Light Infantry:—

Mr. Herbert Hodder Roberts. Dated 1st February, 1879.

War Office, Pall Mall,
14th March, 1879.

5th Lancers, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel William Godfrey Dunham Massy retires on half-pay. Dated 15th March, 1879.

19th Hussars, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Henry Cadogan Craigie retires on half-pay. Dated 15th March, 1879.

Scots Guards, Major and Brevet Colonel Henry Charles Fletcher, C.M.G., retires on half-pay. Dated 15th March, 1879.

Brigade Depot, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Robert Blackall Montgomery, from half-pay, late 13th Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Brevet Colonel George Daniel Webber, C.B., retired on a pension. Dated 15th March, 1879.

1st Foot, Lieutenant Charles Harcourt Stisted to be Adjutant, vice Lieutenant W. D. Shaw, promoted. Dated 11th January, 1879.

3rd Foot, Second Lieutenant Vesey Thomas Bunbury, from the 35th Foot, to be Second Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant H. H. Forbes, appointed a Probationer for the Indian Staff Corps. Dated 15th March, 1879.

5th Foot, Lieutenant Middleton Westenra Bidulph to be Instructor of Musketry, vice Lieutenant J. W. Pearse-Hobbs, promoted. Dated 12th February, 1879.

6th Foot, Second Lieutenant George Rodney Brown, from the 20th Foot, to be Second Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant H. D. Thomas, promoted. Dated 15th March, 1879.