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FRIDAY, MAY 29, 1885.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, March 24, 1885.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be kept on Saturday, the 6th of June next.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, May 19, 1885.

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 Tuesday, the 9th of June next, at two o'clock.

It is The Queen's pleasure that Presentations to His Royal Highness at the 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 regulations that no presentation can be made at a Leves excepting by a person actually attending that Levee, it is also necessary that an intimation from the Nobleman or Gentleman who is to make the presentation, of 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 halfpast one o'clock. KENMARE,

Lord Chamberlain.

A.^T the Court at Windsor, the 19th day of May, 1885.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HEREAS by an Act passed in the first session of Parliament holden in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to abridge the holding "of benefices in plurality, and to make better " provision for the residence of the clergy," it is, amongst other things, enacted, "That whenever " it shall appear to the Archbishop of the Pro-" vince, with respect to his own diocese, and "whenever it shall be represented to him by the "Bishop of any diocese, or by the Bishops of any " two dioceses, that two or more benefices, or that " one or more benefice or benefices, and one or "more spiritual sinecure rectory or rectories, " vicarage or vicarages, in his or their diocese or " dioceses, being either in the same parish or con-" tiguous to each other, and of which the aggregate " population shall not exceed one thousand five " hundred persons, and the aggregate yearly value " shall not exceed five hundred pounds, may, with " advantage to the interests of religion, be united " into one benefice, the said Archbishop of the " Province shall inquire into the circumstances of " the case ; and if on such enquiry it shall appear " to him that such union may be usefully made, " and will not be of inconvenient extent, and that " the patron or patrons of the said benefices, " sinecure rectory or rectories, vicarage or vicar-" ages respectively, is or are consenting thereto, " such consent being signified in writing under the " hands of such patron or patrons, the said Arch-" bishop shall, six weeks before certifying such inquiry and consent to Her Majesty as herein-" after directed, cause with respect to his own dio-" cese, a statement in writing of the facts, and in "other cases a copy in writing of the aforesaid " representation to be affixed on or near the prin-" cipal outer door of the church, or in some public " and conspicuous place in each of such benefices, " sinecure rectories, or vicarages, with notice to " any person or persons interested, that he, she, or