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FRIDAY, MAY 21, 1897.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
March 25, 1897.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that The Queen's Birthday will be celebrated in London alone on Wednesday, the 26th of May next, and at all other Stations, Naval and Military, on Monday, the 24th of May next.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
May 17, 1897.*

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 Monday, the 31st instant, 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 AT ST. JAMES'S PALACE, ON BEHALF OF HER MAJESTY.

By Her Majesty's Command,

Gentlemen who propose to attend Her Majesty's Levee 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.

Gentlemen who propose to present others must send in writing the name of such Gentlemen to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, not later than *two days* previous to the Levee, in order that the Lord Chamberlain may submit the names to Her Majesty, when, if they are approved, Presentation Cards will be forwarded. Forms for the purpose can be obtained at the Lord Chamberlain's Office.

Gentlemen who wish to be presented officially should communicate with the heads of their Department, who will provide them with the necessary cards and instructions.

It is particularly requested that the names of the Gentlemen to be presented be *very distinctly written* on the Presentation Cards delivered to the Lord Chamberlain at the Levee, 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 half-past one o'clock.

LATHOM,

Lord Chamberlain.

By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION,

For a Public Holiday.

VICTORIA, R.

WE, considering that Tuesday the twenty-second day of June next has been by Our Royal Proclamation dated the twenty-sixth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, commanded to be observed as a Bank Holiday throughout the United Kingdom, and considering that it is desirable that the said day should be observed as a Public Holiday in the Customs, Inland Revenue Offices, and Bonding Warehouses in England and Ireland, respectively, pursuant to "The Holidays Extension Act, 1875," and considering that it is desirable that the said day should be kept as a Public Holiday by the Customs, pursuant to "The Customs Consolidation Act, 1876," within the jurisdiction of the Commissioners of Customs appointed pursuant to "The Customs Consolidation Act, 1876," and also that the said day should be kept as a Public Holiday by the Officers and Servants of the Dock Companies in England and Ireland, as required by "The Holidays Extension Act, 1875," do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, and in pursuance of the provisions of the said Acts, and each and every of them, and of every other power enabling Us in that behalf, appoint and direct Tuesday the twenty-second day of June next to be, and to be kept as, a Public Holiday as aforesaid, and We do by this Our Royal Proclamation command the said day to be so kept, and all Our loving subjects to order themselves accordingly.

Given at Our Court at Windsor, this eighteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.