

It is not expected that Gentlemen will present themselves at the Drawing Room, 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.

LATHOM,

Lord Chamberlain.

*Foreign Office, May 11, 1898.*

HER Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received a Notification, of which the following is a translation, from the Spanish Ambassador at this Court, dated May 10, 1898:—

"The Minister of State directs me to inform your Excellency that, in consequence of the laying down of submarine defences in the Naval ports of Ferrol, Cadiz, Cartagena, and Mahon, entry into those ports by night has been forbidden."

*Foreign Office, April 30, 1898.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint William Wyndham, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the States of Colorado, North and South Dakota, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Wisconsin, and Wyoming, the Territory of Oklahoma, and Indian Territory, to reside at Chicago.

*Foreign Office, April 30, 1898.*

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Feizi Effendi as Consul-General of Turkey at Newcastle-on-Tyne; of Mr. John MacQuillan as Consul-General of Ecuador at Vancouver; of Mr. Philip John Mason as Consul of Chile at Birmingham; of Mr. Waynman Dixon as Consul of Japan at Middlesbrough; of Mr. John Montgomery Young as Consul of Sweden and Norway at Madras; of Mr. John E. Rowen as Consul of the United States of America at Port Stanley, Falkland Islands; of Mr. William L. Avery as Consul of the United States of America at Belize; of Mr. Frederic W. Goding as Consul of the United States of America at Newcastle, New South Wales; of Dr. Frederick Rieloff as Consul of Germany at Hong Kong; of Mr. John T. Williams as Consul of the United States of America at Sierra Leone; of Moustapha Herra Effendi as Vice-Consul of Turkey at Manchester; and of Mr. John Brown as Vice-Consul of Peru at Newcastle, New South Wales.

*India Office, May 11, 1898.*

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to pass under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, nominating the Reverend James MacArthur, M.A., to the Bishopric of Bombay, void by the resignation of the Right Reverend Louis George Mylne, D.D.

*Whitehall, May 5, 1898.*

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto Arthur Egerton Birch, of Biggin Hall, in the county of Northampton, Esquire, eldest son of Sir Arthur Nonus Birch, of Old Burlington-street, in the parish of Saint James, Westminster, in the county of London, Knight Commander of

the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, by Josephine, his late wife, eldest daughter and coheir of Jesse David Watts-Russell, late of Biggin Hall aforesaid, Esquire, both deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he may, in compliance with a proviso contained in the last will and testament of his maternal grandfather, the said Jesse David Watts-Russell, take and use the surname of Watts-Russell in lieu of that of Birch, and that he may take and bear the arms of Russell quarterly with those of Watts, and that such surname and arms may in like manner be taken, borne, and used 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 licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

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

*Education Department, Whitehall,*

*May 11, 1898.*

**ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS,  
1870-1893.**

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the dissolution of the School Board in the undermentioned Parish:—

Besthorpe ... .. Norfolk

*Crown Office, May 12, 1898.*

**MEMBERS returned to serve in the present  
PARLIAMENT.**

*County of Stafford.—Western Division.*

Alexander Henderson, Esq., in the place of Hamar Alfred Bass, Esq., deceased.

*County of Nottingham.—Newark Division.*

Charles William Sydney Pierrepont (commonly called Viscount Newark), in the place of the Honourable Harold Heneage Finch-Hatton, who has accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead, in the county of York.

(S. 1412.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),  
London, May 12, 1898.*

THE Board of Trade have received; through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Copenhagen, reporting that the Government of the Danish Antilles have established a quarantine of 15 days against Puerto Cabello on account of small-pox.

(S. 1424.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),  
London, May 12, 1898.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following copy of a Notice issued by the Governor of Malta, viz.:

**Government Notice.**

HIS Excellency the Governor, having heard the opinion of the Board of Health, has been pleased to modify Government Notice No. 46 of 26th February, 1898, and to direct that the following regulations be observed, viz.:

1. Any shipment of cattle, any part of which is found to be suffering or to be suspected of suffering from an infectious or contagious disease at the time of arrival or after a period of inspection, is to be detained in quarantine.