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Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, February 7, 1899.

Mourning, which would have terminated on Monday next, the 13th instant, will be prolonged until Thursday, the 9th of March next. The Queen having been pleased to command that the Court shall be in Mourning for four weeks from Thursday next, the 9th instant, for His late Royal Highness The Hereditary Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Prince Alfred of Great Britain and Ireland, K.G., Grandson of Her Majesty The Queen.

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the 9th March next.

College of Arms, February 9, 1899.

Earl Morshal's Order for a General Mourning.

In pursuance of Her Majesty's commands, these are to give public notice, that upon the melancholy occasion of the death of His late Royal Highness The Hereditary Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, Prince Alfred of Great Britain and Ireland, K.G., Grandson of Her Majesty The Queen, it is expected that all persons do put themselves into Mourning for a fortnight, commencing on Monday next, the 18th instant.

NORFOLK, Earl Marshal.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's l'alace, February 9, 1899.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Drawing Room announced for the 24th instant will not take place.

Drawing Rooms will be held at Buckingham Palace on Wednesday, the 1st, and on Friday, the 3rd, March next, at three o'clock.

N.B.—The Knights of the several Orders are

to appear in their Collars on the 1st March, it being a Collar-Day.

REGULATIONS TO BE OBSERVED.

By Her Majesty's Command,

The Ladies who propose to attend Her Majesty's Drawing Room are requested to bring with them to the Drawing Room two large cards, with their names clearly written thereon, one to be left with 'The Queen's Page in Attendance, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to 'The Queen.

PRESENTATIONS.

The privilege of making presentations to The Queen at a Drawing Room is restricted to those Ladies who have themselves been previously presented to Her Majesty, and who are themselves present at the Drawing Room.

Under such circumstances a Lady has the privilege of presenting one Lady only at a Drawing Room in addition to her Daughters or

Daughters-in-law.

This restriction does not apply to Ladies who, from official position or other circumstances, are specially privileged to make presentations to Her

Majesty.

The Lady who proposes to present another must send in writing the name of such Lady to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, not later than two days previous to the Drawing Room, in order that the Lord Chamberlain may submit the name to Her Majesty, when, if it be approved, presentation cards will be forwarded.

Printed Forms for this purpose can be obtained

nt the Lord Chamberlain's Office.

It is particularly requested that the names of the Ladies to be presented be rery distinctly written on the presentation cards to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain at the Drawing Room, in order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to The Queen.

The number of Presentations at each Drawing

Room is limited to 200.