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 Levces.

The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at two o'clock. HOPETOUN,

Lord Chamberlain.

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

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Levee announced to be held by His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales on the 27th instant will not take place.

His Royal Highness The Duke of York will, by command of The Queen, hold Levees at St. James's Palace, on behalf of Her Majesty, on Monday, the 6th, and on Tuesday, the 14th, of March next, at two o'clock. It is The Queen's pleasure that Presentations to

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 LEVEES 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 halfpast one o'clock. HOPETOUN,

Lord Chamberl-in.

Crown Office, February 7, 1899.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to present the Reverend Robert Richard Whatwood Loveridge to the Rectory of Sigglesthorne, in the county and diocese of York, void by the death of the Reverend William Dunkerley, the last Incumbent.

Education Department, Whitehall, February 6, 1899.

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870–1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued orders this day, under Section 63 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, and Section 27 of the Elementary Education Act, 1876, declaring the undermentioned School Boards to be in default, and appointing persons in lieu of the existing Members:---

North Kyme ... Administrative County of Parts of Kesteven (Lincoln) Billinghay (U.D.) ... Administrative County of

Parts of Kesteven (Lincoln)

Whitehall, February 6, 1899.

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto Charles Hesketh Bibby, of Meols Hall, and of the Rookery, both in the parish of North Meols, in the county palatine of Lancaster, Barrister-at-Law, Second Lieutenant, Duke of Lancaster's Own Yeomanry Cavalry, Her Royal licence and authority that he may take, use, and bear the surname of Hesketh in addition to and after that of Bibby, in compliance with a clanse contained in the last will and testament of Anna Maria Alice Hesketh, late of the Rookery aforesaid, Widow, deceased, and that he may bear the arms of Hesketh quarterly with those of Bibby, 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 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.

(F. & H. 1814.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, February 7, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the Regulations issued by the Government of India in connection with the plague. The Regulations can be inspected at the Fisheries and Harbour Department of the Board of Trade any week-day between the hours of 11 A.M. and 5 P.M.

(F. & H. 2144.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department) London, February 7, 1899

Department), London, February 7, 1899. THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following copy of a Notice issued by the Portuguese Government respecting quarantine :--

Notice.

It is hereby notified for the proper intents and purposes, in view of the official reports received, and with the advice of the Consultative Board of Public H-alth, that the provisions set forth in the notice of April 14, 1897, are extended to arrivals from ports in the Province of Cautou.

Home Department, Lisbon, January 24, 1899. The Councillor and Director-General, ARTHUR FEVEREIRO.

(F. & H. 2349.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, February 7, 1899. THE Board of Trade have received, through