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TUESDAY, MAY 23, 1899.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
April 13, 1899.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Queen's Birthday will be celebrated, in London alone, on Saturday, the 3rd of June next, and at all other Stations, Naval and Military, on Wednesday, the 24th of May next

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
May 5, 1899.*

NOTICE is hereby also given, that His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales will, by command of The Queen, hold a Levée at St. James's Palace, on behalf of Her Majesty, on Monday, the 29th instant, at two o'clock.

N.B.—The Knights of the several Orders are to appear in their Collars on the 29th May, it being a Collar-day.

It is The Queen's pleasure that Presentations to Their Royal Highnesses at the Levée shall be considered as equivalent to Presentations to Her Majesty.

REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S LEVÉES 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 Levées 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 Levée, 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 Levée, 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.
HOPETOUN,
Lord Chamberlain.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
May 8, 1899.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Drawing Room will be held at Buckingham Palace, on Friday, the 9th of June next, at three o'clock.
HOPETOUN,
Lord Chamberlain.

War Office, May 23, 1899.

THE following Despatch has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—

Downing Street,

May 2, 1899.

SIR,

MR. SECRETARY CHAMBERLAIN has already brought to the notice of the Marquis of Lansdowne, on the 22nd of February last, the names of those Officers and Non-commissioned Officers employed in the protected territories adjacent to the Gold Coast and Lagos and on the Niger, whose services in 1897 and the first six months of 1898 appeared to him to be deserving of special recognition.

2. Further reports have now been received with regard to the organization and work of the West African Frontier Force on the Niger during the first year of its existence; and I am to ask that the names of the following Officers may be added to the list of those who have previously been mentioned for services in connection with this Force:—

Captain (temporary Major) W. A. Robinson, Royal Artillery.

Captain (temporary Major) T. L. N. Morland, King's Royal Rifle Corps.

Captain C. G. Blackader, Leicestershire Regiment.

Captain F. C. Marsh, Royal West Kent Regiment.

Captain P. S. Wilkinson, Northumberland Fusiliers.