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FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 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 25, 1899.

TOTICE is hereby given, that Her Royal Highness The Princess of Wales will hold a Drawing Room at Buckingham Palace, on behalf of The Queen, on Friday, the 9th of June next, at three o'clock.

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, June 2, 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 19th instant, at two o'clock.

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It is The Queen's pleasure that Presentations to His Royal Highness 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 t

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.

Scottish Office, Whitehall, May 31, 1899.

THE following Address of the Ministers and Elders of the Church of Scotland convened in General Assembly, having been transmitted by His Grace the Lord High Commissioner to the Right Honourable Lord Balfour of Burleigh, Her Majesty's Secretary for Scotland, has been by him laid before the Queen, who was pleased to receive the same very graciously:—

To the QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

May it please Your Majesty,

WE, Your Majesty's faithful subjects, the Members of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, have been deeply gratified by the terms of the gracious Letter sent to us by Your Majesty through 'His Grace the Lord High Commissioner. That our Meeting and proceedings are observed with such interest by our revered Sovereign will be a further stimulus to us to be watchful guardians of the Reformed faith, and to labour for the moral and religious welfare of the people committed to our charge.

We and those whom we represent always receive with gladness Your Majesty's renewed assurances of Your purpose to countenance and support the Church of Scotland, and to maintain it in the full possession of its rights and privileges. If anything were needed to deepen our loyalty, it would be found in the confirmation given to these assurances by Your Majesty's joining in the ordinances of our National worship during Your residences in Scotland. We find ourselves strengthened in our endeavours to promote the happiness and spiritual advancement of our