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Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, December 23, 1901.

NOTICE is hereby given that His Majesty the King will hold Levees at St. James's Palace for the reception and presentation of Gentlemen under the existing regulations during the Spring and Summer.

Notice is also given that Their Majesties the King and Queen will, in lieu of Drawing Rooms, hold a series of *Courts* at Buckingham Palace during the coming season, at which presentation of Ladies to Their Majesties will be made.

Attendance and Presentation at these Courts will be by *Invitation only*, conveyed through the Lord Chamberlain.

Ladies who have already been presented at Drawing Rooms and who are desirous of being invited to these Courts are requested to send in their names to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, as soon as possible after the 1st January next, together with those of the Ludies whom they may wish to present. The Lord Chamberlain will be glad if Ladies will at the same time state when it will be most convenient to them to pay their respects to Their Majesties.

No precise dates can, at present, be fixed owing to the uncertainty as to when the works now in progress at Buckingham Palace can be completed.

The numbers at each Court being necessarily limited, Ladies are informed by the Lord Chamberlain that they can only receive occasional invitations.

A Lady who makes a presentation to Their Majesties must be personally acquainted with and responsible for the Lady she presents. She must herself attend the Court, and cannot present more than one Lady in addition to her daughters or daughters-in-law.

If it should not be convenient for a Lady to attend or be presented at the particular Court to which she is invited, it will be open to her to make her excuses to the Lord Chamberlain in writing, when her name can, if desired, and if possible, be transferred to another List.

The Courts will be held in the evening.
Gentlemen may, under exceptional circumstances, accompany the Ladies of their family.

The Dress Regulations for these Courts will be identical with those hitherto in force for the Drawing Rooms.

A further notice will be published as to the dates, the issue of Presentation Cards, and other arrangements.

N.B.—The following notice was published by authority on the 11th February last:—

"The Lord Chamberlain is authorized by the King to give notice that Ladies and Gentlemen who have been presented at Drawing Rooms and Levees held during the reign of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria, will not require to be again presented to Their Majesties the King and Queen."

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order, St. James's Palace, December 24, 1901.

THE King has been graciously pleased to make the following promotions in, and appointments to, the Royal Victorian Order:—

To be Knight Commanders.

Frederick Oliver, Earl de Grey, Treasurer to Her Majesty Queen Alexandra.

Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable Henry Peregrine Carington, C.V.O., C.B., Equerry to His Majesty The King, and Comptroller and Treasurer to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

Sir Ernest Joseph Cassel, K.C.M.G. Sir Donald Mackenzie Wallace, K.C.I.E.

To be Commanders.

Major-General Douglas Mackinnon Baillie-Humilton Cochrane, Earl of Dundonald, C.B., M.V.O.

Colonel John Fielden Brocklehurst, C.B., M.V.O., Equerry to Her Majesty Queen Alexandra. Commodore Alfred L. Winsloe, C.M.G., M.V.O.,

Royal Navy, late commanding His Majesty's ship "Ophir."

Colonel Thomas Innes of Learney, late commanding 3rd Battalion Gordon Highlanders.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Lane Harrington, His Majesty's Agent and Consul-General in Abyssinia.

To be Members of the Fourth Class.

Captain Rosslyn E. Wemyss, Royal Navy, late of
His Majesty's ship "Ophir."

Commander Philip Nelson-Ward, Royal Navy, late Navigating Officer of His Majesty's ship "Ophir."

Major Charles Clarke, Royal Marine Light Infantry, late of His Majesty's ship "Ophir." John H. G. Chapple, Esq., Royal Navy, Secretary to the Admiral Commanding-in-Chief, Ports-

Major A. F. Mackenzie, Princess Louise's Argyll and Sutherland Highlunders.

Guy Laking, Esq.

To be an Honorary Member of the Fourth Class. Captain Gustav Leinhaas, of the Royal Landwehr Çayalry.