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LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, ST. JAMES'S PALACE, March 25, 1890.

OTICE is hereby given that Her Majesty's Birthday will be kept on Wednesday the 21st of May next.

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Notice is hereby given that the State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be open to the Public on and after Easter Monday, the 7th of April next.

At the Court at Windsor, the 21st day of March 1890.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This day Sir William Ventris Field was, by Her Majesty's command, sworn of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly. At the Court at Windsor, the 21st day of March 1890.

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The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas by Orders in Council made by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty on the twelfth February one thousand eight hundred and seventysix, twenty-seventh June one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, ninth December one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six, and fifteenth July one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, Her Majesty did, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, order, among other matters, that a Lower Division of the Civil Service should be constituted, to consist of Men Clerks and Boy Clerks engaged to serve in any Department of the State to which they might from time to time be appointed or transferred; that no Department throughout Her Majesty's Civil Service should be permanently increased or regulated afresh without providing for the introduction of a system whereby such of its duties as were of a suitable character should be performed by members of such Lower Division; that such situations in Her Majesty's Civil Service as were not suitable to be filled by members of such Lower Division should be excluded from the Orders, and should, until declaration of Her Majesty's further pleasure, be regulated as theretofore; that no vacancies should be filled up nor any new appointments made in any Department, except by appointing Clerks of the Lower Division, until the Commissioners of the Treasury had been satisfied that the number of Clerks