

The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at half-past one o'clock.

HOPETOUN, Lord Chamberlain.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given that Her Majesty's Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland will hold a Levee at Her Majesty's Palace of Holyrood House, at eleven o'clock A.M., on Thursday the 24th day of May, being the first day of Meeting of the General Assembly, on which occasion all those holding Her Majesty's Commission or other Gentlemen are required to appear in uniform, court or evening dress.

The Procession will go by the Calton Hill Princes Street, and the Mound.

Carriages of Noblemen and Gentlemen attending the Levee will follow those of His Grace.

His Grace will attend Divine Service in the High Church on Sunday the 27th of May and Sunday the 3rd of June.

LEVEE.

Noblemen and Gentlemen attending the Levee of His Grace the Lord High Commissioner are requested to bring with them two large cards, bearing their name and address in full—*plainly written*—one of which cards is to be left with an attendant appointed to receive the same at the entrance of the Picture Gallery, the other to be given to the Purse-Bearer in the Throne Room.

By Command,

R. HAMILTON RAMSAY,

Purse-Bearer to His Grace.

Palace of Holyrood House,  
May 1900.

*N.B.*—Any Gentleman who may not have with him the cards with name and address written as requested, can procure them from the attendants in waiting at the table in the Picture Gallery near the entrance.

WAR OFFICE, May 1, 1900

The Queen has been pleased to approve of the grant of a Bar to be worn with the Distinguished Conduct Medal to each of the under-mentioned Non-Commissioned Officers, in recognition of their services during the operations in the Soudan, resulting in the defeat and death of the Khalifa in November 1899 :—

Colour-Sergeant G. E. Seabright, Royal Marine Artillery.

Sergeant F. J. Sears, Royal Marine Artillery.

The Notification which appeared in the Edinburgh Gazette of the 16th March 1900, regarding these two Non-Commissioned Officers, is hereby cancelled.

FACTORY DEPARTMENT, HOME OFFICE,

April 28, 1900.

The Chief Inspector of Factories has appointed Dr. W. J. Mackinnon to be Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Acts, for the Biggar District, which comprises the Civil Parishes of Biggar, Covington and Thankerton, Crawford, Culter, Crawfordjohn, Libberton, Lamington and Wandel, Symington, Wiston and Robertson, and Walston, in the County of Lanark.

FACTORY DEPARTMENT, HOME OFFICE,

May 1, 1900.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that, in consequence of the resignation of Dr. James Thomas, an appointment as Certifying Surgeon, under the Factory Acts, at Selkirk, in the County of Selkirk, is vacant.

REDUCTION OF RATES FOR TELEGRAMS TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, AND TASMANIA.

The rates for Telegrams to South Australia, Western Australia, and Tasmania, are now as follows :—

	Per word,
	s. d.
South Australia—	
Eastern Company ...	} 4 0
Indo-European Company	
Via Turkey ...	... 3 10
Western Australia—	
Eastern Company ...	} 4 0
Indo-European Company	
Via Turkey ...	... 3 10
Tasmania—	
Eastern Company ...	} 4 0
Indo-European Company	
Via Turkey ...	... 3 10

TENDERS FOR LOANS ON TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Tuesday the 8th May, at one o'clock, for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Acts 40 Vict. cap. 2, and 52 Vict. cap. 6; to the amount of £2,000,000, in replacement of Bills falling due on the 15th May.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £1000, £5000, or £10,000. They will be dated the 15th May 1900, and will be payable at three months, or six months, or twelve months, after date (at the option of the persons tendering), viz., on the 15th August 1900, or 15th November 1900, or 15th May 1901 respectively.

3. The Tenders must specify the net amount per cent. which will be given for the amounts applied for; and the Tenders of private individuals must be made through a London Banker.