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LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, February 16, 1852.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty will hold Levees at St James's Palace, on the following days, at two o'clock :—

Thursday, 26th February instant.
Wednesday, 3d March next.

REGULATIONS TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S LEVEES, AT ST JAMES'S PALACE.

The Noblemen and Gentlemen who purpose to attend Her Majesty's Levees at St James's Palace, 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 Presence-chamber, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to Her Majesty.

Those Gentlemen who are to be presented are hereby informed it is absolutely necessary that their names, with the name of the Nobleman or Gentleman who is to present them, should be sent in to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, on the *Tuesday previous* to the Levee on the 26th of February instant, and on the *Monday previous* to the Levee on the 3d of March next, on each day *before twelve o'clock*, in order that they may be submitted for the Queen's approbation; it being Her Majesty's command, that no presentation shall be made at the Levees but in conformity with the above Regulations.

It is particularly requested that in every case the names be *very distinctly written* upon the cards to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, in order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to the Queen.

The State Apartments will not be open for the reception of Company coming to Court until half-past one o'clock.

Notice is hereby given, that all persons having Petitions or Addresses to present to Her Majesty at the Levees, are to send a card (having on it their names, a statement of the object of such Petitions or Addresses, and the names of the persons from whom they come,) to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, *before twelve o'clock* on the *Tuesday previous* to the Levee on the 26th of February instant, and on the *Monday previous* to the Levee on the 3d of March next; and that

two other cards, having on them precisely what is written upon that sent to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, are to be taken to the Levee; one of the two cards to be delivered to the Page in the Ante-Room, and the other to the Lord Chamberlain, who will read its contents to Her Majesty; and, on these occasions, no other statement is to be addressed to Her Majesty.

A Deputation to present an Address is not to exceed four persons.

ADMIRALTY, February 16, 1852.

Dispatches have this day been received from Commodore Bruce, the Commander-in-Chief of Her Majesty's ships and vessels on the West Coast of Africa, of which the following are copies or extracts :—

SIR, *Penelope, off Lagos, January 2, 1852.*

I have the honour to Report, for the information of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that their Lordships' instructions of the 14th October, and the wishes of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, as far as respects Lagos, have been most faithfully fulfilled by the expulsion of the slave-dealing chief Kosoko and his people, the utter destruction of his town, and the establishment of the friendly chief Akitoye, with his followers, in the seat of power at Lagos.

By my letter No. 216, of 1851, their Lordships are aware that Kosoko very recently rejected the proffered friendship of England, and that he opposed with fire and sword the approach of a flag of truce proceeding to his seat of Government with Mr Consul Beecroft, who offered to negotiate and to advise with him, and who was merely attended by an escort of armed boats, scarcely or problematically sufficient for his personal safety among savages.

I therefore determined to send a strong and well-organized force to punish this refractory chief, and having, through the untiring energy and exertions of Mr Beecroft, procured the attendance of Akitoye and nearly 500 of his followers near the scene of action, ready to take advantage of a clear sweep when we should make it, I concerted measures with Captain Lewis T. Jones, of the Sampson, and Captain Henry Lyster, of this ship, who both were volunteers on the occasion, and intrusted the detail and execution of the service to Captain Jones, seconded by Captain Lyster, and