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LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE,
February 3, 1860.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Queen will hold a Court at St James's Palace, on Wednesday, the 7th of March next, at two o'clock, for the special and exclusive reception of Officers of Volunteer Corps, who may be desirous of presenting themselves before Her Majesty.

REGULATIONS.

The Officers of Volunteer Corps, who are desirous of attending the Queen's Court, at Saint James's Palace, on Wednesday the 7th of March next, should forthwith communicate their intention to the Lord Lieutenants of the several Counties in which their Corps have been established.

A list of the Officers who have thus signified their wish to be present will be transmitted by the Lord Lieutenant of each County to the Secretary of State for the War Department.

These lists, which will distinguish the rank of each Officer, and the Corps or Company to which he belongs, will be forwarded to the Lord Chamberlain from the War Department, at latest, upon Monday the 5th of March.

The Lord Lieutenants and the Military Authorities summoned to attend the Court, will enter the Palace at the Entrée Entrance in Ambassadors' Court, and will pass at once to the Entrée Room.

The Officers of Volunteers will enter the Palace at the usual Corridor entrance, opposite Marlborough House, and will be shewn at once to the room appointed for the assembling of their Corps, where they will form into Companies in the order in which they are to pass the Queen. In order to facilitate this arrangement, each Officer will be furnished with a card on which is distinctly written his County, the number of his County in the Army List, and the name and number of his Corps, Company, or Sub-division. *Artillery* should be specially marked on the cards of Officers of Artillery Volunteer Corps.

The doors of the Palace will be opened at half-past twelve o'clock, and no Officer can be admitted after a quarter before two o'clock.

Officers will appear in the Uniforms approved for their Corps by the Lord Lieutenants.

They will pass before the Queen by Regiments, Companies, or Sub-divisions, headed by the Senior Officer present.

The Officers of each Corps will be introduced by the Lord Lieutenants of their Counties, who will join them before entering the Throne Room. In the absence of the Lord Lieutenants, they will be introduced by the Under Secretary of State for the War Department. The Officers will draw up in line before the Queen, and the Senior Officer of each Corps or Company present, will hand a card, containing the names of those about to pass before Her Majesty, to the Lord Lieutenant. This card will be passed to the Lord Chamberlain, who will read the names to the Queen. The Officers will then pass on.

The various Corps will take precedence according to their Seniority in the Army List.

SYDNEY, Lord Chamberlain.

WHITEHALL, February 13, 1860.

The Queen has been pleased to direct letters-patent to be passed under the Great Seal, granting the dignities of Viscount and Earl of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland unto William, Baron Ward, and to the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, by the names, styles, and titles of Viscount Ednam, of Ednam, in the county of Roxburgh, and Earl of Dudley, of Dudley Castle, in the county of Stafford.

FOREIGN-OFFICE, February 11, 1860.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr Giacomo Graham as Consul at Melbourne for His Majesty the King of Sardinia.

DOWNING-STREET, February 13, 1860.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Fletcher Whitley, Esq. (Colonial Treasurer and Receiver-General,) to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Bahama Islands; and William Henry Doyle, Esq. to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the said Islands.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Peter Joseph K. Ferguson, Esq. to be an official Member of the Legislative Council of the Island of Saint Lucia, during the temporary absence of Francis Beausoleil, Esq. a Member of that Board.

