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FRIDAY, MAY 13, 1853.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, May 2, 1853.*

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be celebrated on Tuesday the 24th instant.

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**N**OTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty will hold Drawing-Rooms, at St. James's-Palace, on the following days, at two o'clock :

Thursday, 2nd June next.  
 Tuesday, 14th June next.  
 Thursday, 23rd June next.

**REGULATIONS TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S DRAWING-ROOMS, AT ST. JAMES'S PALACE.**

The Ladies, who purpose to attend Her Majesty's Drawing-Rooms, 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 Ante-room, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to Her Majesty.

Those Ladies who are to be presented are hereby informed, that it is absolutely necessary that their names, with the names of the Ladies who are to present them, should be delivered at the Lord Chamberlain's Office on *Tuesday the 31st of May* for the first Drawing-Room ; on *Saturday the 11th of June* for the second Drawing-Room; and on *Tuesday the 21st of June* for the third Drawing-Room, 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 take place, unless the name of the Lady presenting, together with that of the Lady to be presented, shall appear on the card to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, which names shall correspond with those previously sent in to the Lord Chamberlain's Office.

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.

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

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice, to all whom it may concern, in the exercise of the authority vested in them by the 3rd section of an Act, passed in the present session of Parliament, intituled "An Act for redeeming or commuting the Annuity payable to the South Sea Company, and certain Annuities of three pounds per centum per annum, and for creating new Annuities of three pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and two pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, and issuing Exchequer Bonds," that they have determined that such Exchequer Bonds, as shall be issued under the authority of the said Act, shall bear interest at the rate of two pounds fifteen shillings per centum per annum, until the 1st day of September, 1864, such Bonds to carry interest thereafter at the rate of two pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, until the 1st day of September, in the year 1894, then to be redeemable at par, at the option of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury only, so soon as Parliament shall have made due provision in respect thereof.

The interest on these Bonds will be payable half-yearly, on the 1st of March, and the 1st of September, in each year.

Whitehall, Treasury Chambers, this 13th day of May, 1853.

*W. E. Gladstone.*  
*Alfred Hervey.*

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice to all holders of Exchequer Bills, whether dated in June or in March, who shall desire to exchange such Exchequer Bills for Exchequer Bonds, bearing interest at two pounds fifteen shillings per centum per annum, until the 1st day of September, 1864, and thereafter at two pounds ten shillings per centum per annum, until the 1st day of September, 1894, issuable under the authority of an Act passed in the present session of Parliament, that they may exchange such Exchequer Bills at par for an equal amount of Exchequer Bonds on notifying such desire in writing to Her Majesty's Paymaster-General, at the Pay Office, Whitehall, on any day not later than the 25th day of May instant, and delivering such Exchequer Bills, with lists thereof, at the same time, at the Pay Office, according to the forms, which will be supplied on application at that office.

Such Exchequer Bills will be immediately registered and stamped, and will be returned to