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Lord Chamberlain's Office, March 1, 1859.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty will hold a Drawing-Room at St. James's Palace, upon Thursday the 14th of April next, at two o'clock.

THE QUEEN'S DRAWING ROOMS.

REGULATIONS

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

By Her Majesty's Command.

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

PRESENTATIONS.

Any Lady who proposes to be presented to the Queen must leave at the Lord Chamberlain's Office, *before twelve o'clock*, two clear days before the Drawing Room, a card with her name written thereon, and with the name of the Lady by whom she is to be presented. In order to carry out the existing regulation, that no presentation can be made at a Drawing Room excepting by a Lady actually attending that Court, it is also necessary that a letter from the Lady who is to make the presentation, stating it to be her intention to be present, should accompany the presentation card above referred to, which will be submitted to the Queen, for Her Majesty's approbation. It is Her Majesty's Command, that no Presentations shall be made at the Drawing Rooms, except in accordance 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.

DE LA WARR.
Lord Chamberlain.

NOTIFICATION.

WITH reference to the notification which appeared in the Gazette of the 10th of September last, that a Convention had been concluded between Her Majesty and the Emperor of Brazil, for the settlement of all outstanding claims of subjects of either Party upon the Government of the other, by means of a Mixed Commission, and that Commissioners were about to meet at Rio de Janeiro for the purpose of carrying out the stipulations of such Convention :

Notice is hereby given, that the Commissioners held their first meeting on the 10th ultimo ; and that all persons, subjects of Her Majesty, who may have claims to prefer upon the Government of Brazil, arising out of transactions prior to the 9th of September, 1858 (the date of the exchange of the ratifications of the Convention), should forthwith transmit the particulars of the same to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, or to Her Majesty's Minister at the Court of Brazil, together with the requisite evidence in support thereof, for the purpose of being submitted to the Commissioners.

Notice is also hereby given, that, in conformity with the following stipulation of the third Article of the Convention :

"Every claim shall be presented to the Commission within twelve months from the day of its first meeting, unless in any case where reasons for delay shall be established to the satisfaction of the Commission, or of the Arbitrator or Umpire in the event of the Commissioners differing in opinion thereupon ; and then, and in any such case, the period for presenting the claim may be extended to any time not exceeding six months longer ;"—

Every claim which may not be presented to the Commission before the 10th of March, 1860, will be inadmissible, unless reasons for delay be established to the satisfaction of the Commissioners, or of the Arbitrator or Umpire ; and that every claim which shall not be presented to the Commissioners before the 10th of September, 1860, will, in conformity with the fifth article of the Convention, be considered and treated as finally settled, barred, and thenceforth inadmissible.

Foreign Office, April 8, 1859.