

Lord Chamberlain's Office, March 30, 1860.

NOTICE is hereby given, that The Queen will hold Drawing Rooms, at St. James's Palace, on the following days, at two o'clock :

Saturday, 29th April next.

Friday, 18th May next, { to celebrate Her Majesty's Birth-day.

N.B.—The Knights of the several Orders are to appear in their Collars at the Drawing Room on the 18th of May.

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.

No Presentations will take place at the Drawing Room on the 18th of May next.

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.

SYDNEY,
Lord Chamberlain.

Windsor Castle, April 13, 1860.

This day had audience of Her Majesty :

Monsieur Auguste de la Rive, Envoy Extraordinary from the Swiss Confederation, on a Special Mission, to deliver his Credentials ;

To which audience he was introduced by Lord John Russell, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Foreign-Office, April 14, 1860.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint John Savile Lumley, Esq., now Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at St. Petersburg, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Embassy at Constantinople.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Edward Morris Erskine, now Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Stockholm, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at St. Petersburg.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Edwin Corbett, Esq., Secretary to Her Majesty's late Legation at Florence, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Stockholm.

Crown-Office, April 13, 1860.

The Queen has been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Great Seal, giving and granting the office of one of the Barons of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer to James Plaisted Wilde, Serjeant-at-Law.

Crown-Office, April 16, 1860.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

County of Clare.

Francis McNamara Calcutt, Esq., of St. Catharines, in the county of Clare, in the room of Colonel Luke White, whose election has been declared void.

Whitehall, April 17, 1860.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Charles Jenkin, Clerk, Doctor of Divinity, Rector of Herringswell, in the county of Suffolk, Her Royal licence and authority, that he and his issue may, in compliance with a clause contained in an indenture of the settlement of the estates of John Vernon, late of Wherstead Hall, in the county of Suffolk, Esquire, deceased, made in pursuance of the last will and testament of the said deceased, take and use the surname of Vernon only, and also bear the arms of Vernon only; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the Herald's Office, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect :

And also to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

THE Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Berlin, notifying that the Prussian Government have altered the regulations hitherto in force for compelling merchant ships to hoist their colours when passing the fortress of Swinemünde.

The military authorities have orders to proceed