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*Lord Chamberlain's Office, February 9, 1864.*

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales will, by command of The Queen, hold Levees at St. James's Palace, on behalf of Her Majesty, on Wednesday, the 2nd of March next, and on Saturday, the 12th of March next, at two o'clock.

It is The Queen's pleasure that Presentations to His Royal Highness at these Levees shall be considered as equivalent to Presentations to Her Majesty.

#### REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S LEVEES TO BE HELD BY HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES, ON BEHALF OF HER MAJESTY, AT ST. JAMES'S PALACE.

*By Her Majesty's Command.*

The Noblemen and Gentlemen, who propose 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 Corridor, and the other to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, who will announce the name to His Royal Highness.

#### PRESENTATIONS.

Any Nobleman or Gentleman who proposes to be presented must leave at the Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, *before twelve o'clock*, two clear days before the Levee, a card with his name written thereon, and with the name of the Nobleman or Gentleman by whom he is to be presented. In order to carry out the existing regulation that no presentation can be made at a Levee excepting by a person actually attending that Levee, it is also necessary that a letter from the Nobleman or Gentleman who is to make the presentation, stating it to be his 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 Levees, 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 His Royal Highness.

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

SYDNEY,  
Lord Chamberlain.

*War Office, February 18, 1864.*

**T**HE Secretary of State for War has *this day* received Despatches from Lieutenant-General Cameron, C.B., Commanding Her Majesty's Forces in New Zealand, of which the following are copies :

*Head Quarters, Rangiriri,  
November 25th, 1863.*

MY LORD,

I HAVE the honour to report that a force consisting of 800 Infantry, Regulars, and Militia, and 50 Colonial Cavalry, embarked on the 16th instant, under command of Colonel Carey, 2nd Battalion, 18th Regiment, on board Her Majesty's ships "Miranda" and "Esk," and the Colonial steamer "Coris," with instructions to land at Haurangi, on the coast of the Frith of the Thames, and to march from thence upon Pukorokoro, a native settlement on the same coast.

I had received information that many of the marauding parties in the bush came from the Thames district, and that Pukorokoro was the point where they landed, and from whence they obtained supplies and reinforcements. I therefore directed Colonel Carey to take possession of the place, to seize all the canoes and provisions he could find, and to establish a post there.

Another object of the expedition was to make a reconnoissance of that part of the country, it being my intention to establish a line of posts between the Frith of the Thames and the river Waikato, with the view of shutting the natives out from the bush on the south and east of Auckland, and thereby enabling me to withdraw or reduce a great many of the posts inside that line, which absorb a large number of men, but have hitherto been necessary for the protection of the settlements and of our line of communication through the bush.