be considered as equivalent to Presentations to Her Majesty.

THE QUEEN'S DRAWING ROOMS.

REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED. AT THE QUEEN'S DRAWING ROOMS TO BE HELD, ON BEHALF OF HER MA-JESTY BY HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS OF WALES, 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 Princess.

PRESENTATIONS.

Any Lady who proposes to be presented 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 Room, 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 Princess.

It is not expected that Gentlemen will present themselves at the Drawing Room, except in attendance upon the Ladies of their families.

The State apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at one o'clock.

SYDNEY. Lord Chamberlain.

T the Council Chamber, Whiteholl, the 18th day of May, 1866.

By the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

PRESENT,

Lord President. Lord Stanley of Alderley. Sir George Grey, Bart. Mr. Milner Gibson. Mr. Chichester Fortescue. Mr. Bruce.

HEREAS by the "Diseases Prevention "Act, 1855," it is, amongst other things,

to be threatened with, or is affected by, any formidable epidemic, endemic, or contagious disease, the Lords and others of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, or any three or more of them (the Lord President of the Council, or one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State being one), may, by Order or Orders, to be by them from time. to time made, direct that the provisions therein contained for the prevention of diseases be put in force in England, or in such parts thereof as in such Order or Orders respectively may be expressed, and may from time to time, as to all or any of the parts to which any such Order or Orders extend, and in like manner revoke or renew any such Order; and that, subject to revocation and renewal as aforesaid, every such Order shall be in force for six calendar months, or for such shorter period as in such Order shall be expressed; and that every such Order of Her Majesty's Privy Council, or of any members thereof as aforesaid, shall be certified under the hand of the Clerk in Ordinary of Her Majesty's Privy Council, and shall be published in the London Gazette; and such publication shall be conclusive evidence of such Order, to all intents and purposes :

And whereas by an Act passed in the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of Her Majesty's reign, chapter seventy-seven, it is, amongst other things, enacted, that the Board of Guardians for every union, or parish not within an union, in England, shall be the Local Authority for executing the said Diseases Prevention Act in every place within their respective unions and parishes:

And whereas it is deemed expedient to put in force the provisions of the above-recited Acts within the Birkenhead Union, in the county of Chester:

Now, therefore, the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council do hereby, in exercise of the powers given by the said Acts, order and direct that the provisions contained in the said Act for the prevention of diseases shall, from and after the date of this present Order, be put in force within the whole and every part of the said Birkenhead Union, in the county of Chester, and that the Board of Guardians for the said Union shall be the Local Authority for executing the said Act within every part of the said union.

Arthur Helps.

Foreign Office, May 10, 1866.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Christian William Lawrence, Esq., now a Third Secretary, to be a Second Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office, May 12, 1866.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Edmund Douglas Veitch Fane, Esq., now a Third Secretary, to be a Second Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office, May 14, 1866.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Thomas John Hovell Thurlow, now a Third Secretary, to be a Second enacted that whenever any part of England appears | Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.