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Lord Chamberlain's Office, March 16, 1869.

ORDERS for the Court's going into Mourning on Wednesday next, the 17th instant, for His late Serene Highness The Duke of Schleswig-Holstein - Sonderburg - Augustenburg, Second Cousin of The Queen, and Father of His Royal Highness Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, Her Majesty's Son-in-Law; viz. :--

The Ladies to wear black Dresses, white Gloves, black or white Shoes, Feathers, and Fans, Pearls, Diamonds, or plain gold or silver Ornaments.

The Gentlemen to wear black Court Dress, or Crape on the left arm.

The Court to change the Mourning on Saturday, the 20th instant; viz. :--

The Ladies to wear black Dresses, with coloured Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, and Ornaments, or grey or white Dresses, with black Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, and Ornaments.

The Gentlemen to continue the same Mourning.

And on Wednesday the 24th instant, the Court to go out of Mourning.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, March 2, 1869.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be kept on Saturday, the 29th of May next.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, March 2, 1869.

NOTICE is hereby given, that The Queen will hold Drawing Rooms at Buckingham Palace, on Thursday, the 8th of April, and on Tuesday, the 11th of May next, at three o'clock.

REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S DRAWING ROOMS AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

By Her Majesty's Command.

The Ladies, who propose to attend Her Majesty's Drawing Rooms, at Buckingham 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, 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, St. James's Palace, before twelve o'clock, two clear days before the Drawing Rooms, 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 Hei 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 Queen.

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

Any Gentleman who under these circumstances should desire to be presented to The Queen, will observe the same regulations as are in force for Her Majesty's Levees.

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

SYDNEY,

Lord Chamberlain.