lain'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 an intimation from the Nobleman or Gentleman who is to make the presentation, of 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 these 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 be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at one o'clock.

SYDNEY, Lord Chamberlain.

A T the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 9th day of March, 1871.

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

PRESENT.

Lord Privy Seal. Mr. Secretary Bruce. Mr. Forster.

THE Lords and others of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869, (in this Order referred to as the Act of 1869,) and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

- 1. This Order shall take effect from and immediately after the thirteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one; and words in this Order have the same meaning as in the Act of 1869.
- 2. Cattle brought from any place in the territory of the French Republic or from any place in Belgium, shall not be landed at any port or place in Great Britain.
- 3. Cattle, sheep, or goats being or having been on board any vessel at the same time with any cattle brought from any such place as aforesaid, shall not be landed at any port or place in Great Britain.
- 4. The following articles brought from any such place as aforesaid, shall not be landed at any port or place in Great Britain;—

Fresh meat; fresh hides; unmelted fat; hoofs; horns; manure; or hay.

Arthur Helps.

Whitehall, March 9, 1871.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland constituting and appointing the Right Honourable George Joachim Göschen; Admiral Sir Sydney Colpoys Dacres, K.C.B.; Captain Robert Hall, R.N., C.B.; Captain John Hay (commonly called Lord John Hay), R.N., C.B.; and the Right Honourable Robert Adam Philips Haldane, Earl of Camperdown; to be Her Majesty's Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the said United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions, Islands, and Territories thereunto belonging.

Whitehall, March 9, 1871.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal appointing the Right Honourable James Stansfeld to be Poor Law Commissioner for England.

St. James's Palace, March 6, 1871.

The Queen has been pleased, on the nomination of the Marquis of Normanby, to appoint Theodore Williams, Esq., late Lieutenant 10th Hussars, one of Her Majesty's Honourable Corps of Gentlemen - at - Arms, vice Captain Thomas Howard, resigned.

St. James's Palace, March 10, 1871.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint John Smith, Esq., M.D., to be Surgeon-Dentist to Her Majesty in Scotland.

Board of Trade, Whitehall, March 7, 1871.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to confer the decoration of the "Albert Medal of the Second Class" on:—

LIEUTENANT WILLIAM BALFOUR FORBES, R.N., of Her Majesty's ship "Rapid."

The following is an account of the services in respect of which the decoration has been conferred:—

On the night of the 17th of September last, whilst Her Majesty's ship "Rapid" was proceeding from Tarrogona to Gibraltar, a boy fell from the main yard-arm, and in his fall struck his head against the gunwale of one of the boats, and was thereby rendered insensible. Sublicutenant William Balfour Forbes (now Lieutenant), at once, and in the dark, jumped overboard, and seized him and persisted in keeping him up at imminent risk to his own life, for when the ship's boat, which was lowered to pick them up, reached them, Sub-Lieutenant Forbes was quite exhausted, and with the boy was under water.

Had the boat arrived a minute later both would have been drowned.