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FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 1876.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, March 17, 1876.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be kept on Saturday, the 27th of May next.

A T the Court at Windsor, the 24th day of March, 1876.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

H ER Majesty in Council was this day pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, in pursuance of the provisions contained in the fourth and eighth sections of the twentyfirst and twenty-second Victoria, chapter ninety, to appoint Joseph Lister, Esquire, F.R.S., Regius Professor of Clinical Surgery in the University of Edinburgh, to be, for five years, a Member for Scotland, of the General Council of Medical Education and Registration in the United Kingdom, in the place of Dr. James Warburton Begbie, deceased.

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W HEREAS by an Act passed in the first session of the Parliament holden in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act to abridge the holding "of benefices in plurality, and to make better "provision for the residence of the clergy," after reciting that "Whereas in some instances tithings, "hamlets, chapelries, and other places or districts "may be separated from the parishes or mother "churches to which they belong with great advan-"tage, and places altogether extra-parochial may "in some instances with advantage be annexed to "parishes or districts to which they are con-"tiguous, or be constituted separate parishes for "ecclesiastical purposes," it is, amongst other things, enacted "That when, with respect to his "own diocese, it shall appear to the Archbishop "of the Province, or when the bishop of any

"diocese shall represent to the said archbishop " that any such tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place or "district within the diocese of such archbishop, " or the diocese of such bishop, as the case may " be, may be advantageously separated from any " parish or mother church, and either be consti-" tuted a separate benefice by itself or be united "to any other parish to which it may be more " conveniently annexed, or to any other adjoining "tithing, hamlet, chapelry, place, or district, "parochial or extra-parochial, so as to form a "separate parish or benefice, or that any extra-"parochial place may with advantage be annexed " to any parish to which it is contiguous, or be " constituted a separate parish for ecclesiastical purposes; and the said archbishop or bishop " shall draw up a scheme in writing (the scheme " of such bishop to be transmitted to the said " archbishop for his consideration), describing the " mode in which it appears to him that the altera-" tion may best be effected, and how the changes " consequent on such alteration in respect to " ecclesiastical jurisdiction, glebe lands, tithes, " rent-charges, and other ecclesiastical dues, rates, " and payments, and in respect to patronage and " rights to pews, may be made with justice to all " parties interested; and if the patron or patrons " of the benefice or benefices to be affected by " such alteration shall consent in writing under " his or their hands to such scheme, or to such " modification thereof as the said archbishop may " approve, and the said archbishop shall, on full " consideration and inquiry, be satisfied with any "such scheme, or modification thereof, and shall " certify the same and such consent as aforesaid, "by his report to Her Majesty in Council, it " shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to "make an Order for carrying such scheme, or "modification thereof, as the case may be, into " effect :"

And whereas the Lord Bishop of Lincoln hath made a representation in writing to his Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury in the words and figures following that is to say :--

"To the Most Reverend Archibald Campbell Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.

"I the Right Reverend Christopher Lord Bishop of Lincoln do hereby represent to your Grace—

"That there is in the county of Nottingham and my diocese of Lincoln the vicarage and parish church of Littleborough.