It is particularly requested that the names of the Gentlemen to be presented be very distinctly written on the Presentation Cards delivered to the Lord Chamberlain at the Levee, 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 halfpast one o'clock, LATHOM,

Lord Chamberlair.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, April 29, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Royal Highness The Princess of Wales will, by command of The Queen, hold a Drawing Room at Buckingham Palace, on behalf of Her Majesty, on Tuesday, the 18th May next, at three o'clock.

REGULATIONS

TO BE OBSERVED AT THE QUEEN'S DRAWING ROOM.

By Her Majesty's Command,

The Ladies who propose to attend Her Majesty's Drawing Room are requested to bring with them to the Drawing Room 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.

'The privilege of making presentations to 'The Queen at a Drawing Room is restricted to those Ladies who have themselves been previously presented to 'Her' Majesty, and who are themselves present at the Drawing Room.

Under such circumstances a Lady has the privilege of presenting one Lady only at a Drawing Room in addition to her Daughters or Daughters-in-law.

This restriction does not apply to Ladies who, from official position or other circumstances, are especially privileged to make presentations to Her Majosty.

The Lady who proposes to present another must send in writing the name of such Lady to the Lord Chamberlain's Office, not later than *two days* previous to the Drawing Room, in order that, the Lord Chamberlain may submit the name to Her Majesty, when, if it be approved, presentation cards will be forwarded.

Printed Forms for this purpose can be obtained at the Lord Chamberlain's Office.

It is particularly requested that the names of the Lady to be presented be very distinctly written on the presentation cards to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain at the Drawing Room, 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 Levces.

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

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Lord Chamberlain.

By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

HEREAS We are happily at Peace with all Sovereigns, Powers, and States:

And whereas, notwithstanding Our utmost exertions to preserve Peace between the two Sovereign Powers, a State of War unhappily exists between His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey and His Majesty the King of the Hellenes, and between their respective Subjects and others inhabiting within their Countries, Territorics, or Dominions:

And whereas We are on Terms of Friendship and amicable intercourse with each of these Sovereigns, and with their several Subjects and others inhabiting within their Countries, Territories, or Dominions:

And whereas great numbers of Our loyal Subjects reside and carry on Commerce, and possess Proper y and Establishments, and enjoy various rights and privileges, within the Dominions of each of the aforesaid Sovereigns, protected by the faith of Treaties between Us and each of the aforesaid Sovereigns:

And whereas We, being desirous of preserving to our Subjects the Blessings of Peace, which they now happily enjoy, are firmly purposed and determined to maintain a strict and impartial Neutrality in the said State of War unhappily existing between the aforesaid Sovereigns:

We, therefore, have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, to issue this Our Royal Proclamation :

And We do hereby strictly charge and command all Our loving Subjects to govern themselves accordingly; and to observe a strict Neutrality in and during the aforesaid War, and to abstain from violating or contravening either the Laws and Statutes of the Realm in this behalf, or the Law of Nations in relation thereto, as they will answer to the contrary at their peril;

And whereas in and by a certain Statute made and passed in a Session of Parliament holden in the 33rd and 34th year of Our Reign, intituled "An Act to regulate the conduct of Her Majesty's Subjects during the existence of hostilities between Foreign States with which Her Majesty is at Peace," it is, amongst other things, declared and enacted as follows. This Act shall extend to all the Dominions of Her Majesty, including the adjacent territorial Waters :--

" Illegal Enlistment.

"If any person, without the licence of Her Majesty, being a British Subject, within or without Her Majesty's Dominions, accepts or agrees to accept any Commission or Engagement in the Military or Naval Service of any Foreign State at War with any Foreign State at Peace with Her Majesty, and in this Act referred to as a friendly State, or, whether a British Subject or not, within Her Majesty's Dominions, induces any other person to accept or agree to accept any Commission or Engagement in the Military or Naval Service of any such Foreign State as aforesaid—

"He shall be guilty of an offence against this Act, and shall be punishable by fine and imprisonment, or either of such punishments, at the discretion of the Court before which the offender is convicted; and imprisonment, if awarded, may be either with or without hard labour.

"If any person, without the Licence of Her Majesty, being a British Subject, quits or goes on board any Ship with a view of quitting Her Majesty's Dominions, with intent to accept any