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FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 1900.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, April 16, 1900.

NOTICE is hereby given, that The Queen's Birthday will be celebrated in London alone on Wednesday, the 23rd May next, and at all other Stations, Naval and Military, on Thursday, the 24th May next.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, April 24, 1900.

OTICE is hereby given, that Drawing Rooms will be held at Buckingham Palace, on Friday, the 11th, and on Monday, the 14th of May next, at three o'clock.

REGULATIONS TO BE OBSERVED.

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 specially privileged to make presentations to Her

Majesty.

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 Ladies to be presented be very distinctly written on the presentation cards to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain at the Drawing Room, in | Siam has been declared infected with cholera.

order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to The Queen.

The number of Presentations at each Drawing Room is limited to 200.

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 Levées.

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

HOPETOUN,

Lord Chamberlain.

Foreign Office, March 4, 1900.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Richard Sturgis Seymour, Esq., to be a Third Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Scottish Office, Whitehall, April 26, 1900.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 24th instant, to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Seal appointed by the Treaty of Union to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, nominating, constituting, and appointing the Right Honourable Ronald Ruthven, Earl of Leven and Melville, to be Her Majesty's High Commissioner to the ensuing Meeting of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

(F. & H. 6522.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour

Department), London, April 24, 1900. THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Buenos Aires, stating that free pratique has been granted to arrivals from Paraguay.

(F. & H. 6654.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 27, 1900.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at St. Petersburg, intimating that Bangkok in