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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1847.

Downing-Street, December 30, 1847.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of General Sir Colin Halkett, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, to be an Ordinary Member of the Military Division of the First Class or Knights Grand Cross of the said Order.

Foreign-Office, December 28, 1847.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Thomas M. Persse, as Consul at Galway for the United States of America.

Crown-Office, December 29, 1847.

MEMBERS returned to se:ve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Sunderland.

Sir Hedworth Williamson, of Whitburn-hall, in the county of Durham, Bart. in the room of David Barclay, Esq. who has accepted the office of Steward of Her Majesty's Chiltern Hundreds.

30th December.

Borough of Calne.

The Right Honourable Henry Petty Fitzmaurice, commonly called Earl of Shelburne, one of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Whitehall, December 28, 1847.

The Queen, taking into Her royal consideration that, upon the decease of Brinsley late Earl of Lanesborough, without issue, which happened on or about the 14th day of June last, the title and dignity of Earl of Lanesborough devolved upon his cousin and heir, George-John now Earl of Lanesborough, as the eldest son and heir of Augustus Richard Butler-Danvers, Esq. commonly called the Honourable Augustus Richard Butler-Danvers (next brother of Robert-Herbert third Earl of Lanesborough, the father of the said Brinsley late Earl of Lanesborough), who was the second son of Brinsley second Earl of Lanesborough, that, according to the ordinary rules of honour, the brothers and sister of the said George John now Earl of Lanesborough cannot enjoy that place and precedence which would have been due to them in case their said late father had survived his nephew, the said Brinsley late Earl of Lanesborough, and had thereby succeeded to the title and dignity of Earl of Lanesborough, Her Majesty hath been graciously pleased to ordain and declare, that Charles-Augustus Butler, Esq. Henry Cavendish Butler, Esq. and Emily-Jane, the wife of George Somerville Digby, Esq. the younger sons and daughter of the said Augustus Richard Butler-Danvers, and brothers and sister of the said George-John now Earl of Lanesborough, shall henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same titles, place, preeminence, and precedence as if their said late father had survived his nephew, Brinsley late Earl of Lanesborough, and had thereby succeeded to the said title and dignity of Earl of Lanesborough: