

Privy Council Office, February 7, 1888.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, praying for the grant of a CHARTER of INCORPORATION under the title of "The Imperial Institute of the United Kingdom, the Colonies, and India, and the Isles of the British Seas." And Her Majesty having referred the said Petition to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, notice is further given, that all petitions for and against such grant should be sent to the Privy Council Office, on or before the twelfth day of March next.

(SWINE-FEVER.)

AT the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 8th day of February, 1888.

By Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

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) Acts, 1878 to 1886, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. The Place described in the Schedule to this Order is hereby declared to be a Place infected with swine-fever.

2. This Order shall take effect from and immediately after the ninth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE.

A Place comprising all that pen in the market or sale-yard of Mr. John Brown, situate at St. Neots, in the county of Huntingdon, in which certain pigs the property of Mr. Joseph Bates of Pertenhall, were lately found to be affected with swine-fever, together with all adjoining pens within a distance of eight yards therefrom.

Foreign Office, February 1, 1888.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Sir Horace Rumbold, Bart., K.C.M.G., now Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of the Hellenes, to be Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of the Netherlands, and also to His Majesty, in His capacity of Grand Duke of Luxemburg.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Sir Edmund John Monson, K.C.M.G., C.B., now Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of Denmark, to be Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of the Hellenes.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Hugh Guion Macdonell, Esq., now Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Emperor of Brazil, to be Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of Denmark.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint George Hugh Wyndham, Esq., C.B., now Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of Servia, to be Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Emperor of Brazil.

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The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Frederick Robert St. John, Esq., late Her Majesty's Minister Resident to the Republic of Venezuela, to be Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the King of Servia.

Whitehall, February 4, 1888.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to grant unto Cowper Bickerton Cowper-Coles, of Wigmore-street, in the parish of St. Marylebone, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may continue to use and bear the surname of Cowper before that of Coles, and that he and they may bear the arms of Cowper quarterly with those of Coles; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

(H. 955.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, February 9, 1888.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch, dated 3rd instant, from the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador at this Court; stating that the Maritime Authority of Trieste have issued a Notice, dated 22nd ultimo, by which all the sanitary measures prescribed in Austro-Hungary against arrivals from Italy have been abolished.

Admiralty, 8th February, 1888.

Engineer George Richard Thomas Cummings has been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 1st February, 1888.

Admiralty, 9th February, 1888.

Engineer Richard George Willby has been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 24th January, 1888.

War Office, Pall Mall,

10th February, 1888.

THE undermentioned Gentlemen Cadets, from the Royal Military College, to be Second Lieutenants. Dated 11th February, 1888:—

6th Dragoon Guards, Ernest Alfred Russell Howell, in succession to Lieutenant F. S. Garratt, promoted.

Evelyn Willoughby Sutton, vice A. J. Richardson, deceased.

Charles Spottiswoode Stack, in succession to Lieutenant M. Cradock, promoted.

4th Hussars, Charles Edward Malet de Carteret, in succession to Lieutenant R. Kincaid-Smith, promoted.

Edgar Mortimore Lafone, in succession to Lieutenant L. E. Starkey, promoted.

John Byrne Johnson, in succession to Lieutenant G. R. Cuninghame, promoted.

10th Hussars, Bertram Charles Christopher Spencer Meeking, in succession to Lieutenant F. R. Bowlby, deceased.

11th Hussars, Lionel Richard James Scholefield Battye, in succession to Lieutenant F. H. Lehmann, promoted.