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FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 1900.

Foreign Office, June 9, 1900.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint-

Charles James Cooke, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the City and Port of Helsingfors;

Henry Richards Wallis, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in the British Central Africa Protectorate.

Foreign Office, August 1, 1900.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint William Edmund O'Reilly, Esq., to be a Third Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic

Foreign Office, August 7, 1900.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to

Francis Oppenheimer, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul-General for Frankfort-on-the-Main, the Province of Hesse Nassau and the Grand Duchy of Hesse, to reside at Frankfort;

Henry Thomas Carew Hunt, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Provinces of Prussia, East and West, Posen and Silesia, with the exception of the City of Breslau, to reside at Dantzig ;

Hermann Humbert, Esq., to be Her Majesty's

Consul at Breslau;

Ralph Belcher, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Portuguese District of Zambezia, with the exception of those parts thereof above the junction of the Shiré and the Zambezi and the Port and British concession of Chindé, to reside at Beira

Erroll MacDonell, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Consular District of Mozambique, to reside at Mozambique; and

Philip Charles Sarell, Esq, to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul at Constantinople.

Foreign Office, August 17, 1900.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to

Ernest Charles Antonio Nicolini, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul-General for the States of Rio de Janeiro, Esperito Santo, Minas Gerães, and Matto Grosso, to reside at Rio de Janeiro; and Arthur Francis Hastings Medhurst Esq., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the districts of Bahia and Sergipe, to reside at Bahia.

Whitehall, August 20, 1900.

THE Queen, taking into Her Royal consideration that upon the decease of Hugh Lupus, Duke of Westminster, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, which happened on the twentysecond day of December last, the title and dignity of Duke of Westminster devolved upon his grandson, Hugh Richard Arthur, Duke of Westminster, as only son and heir of Victor Alexander Grosvenor, commonly called Earl Grosvenor, who whilst living was eldest son and heir apparent of his father, the said Hugh Lupus, late Duke of Westminster, whereby, according to the ordinary rules of honour, the sisters of the said Hugh Richard Arthur, now Duke of Westminster, cannot enjoy that place and precedence which would have been due to them in case their said late father had survived his father, the said Hugh Lupus, late Duke of Westminster, and had thereby succeeded to the title and dignity of Duke of Westminster, Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to ordain and declare that Constance Sibell, wife of Anthony, Earl of Shaftesbury, and Lettice Mary Elizabeth Grosvenor, Spinster, the only sisters of the said Hugh Richard Arthur, now Duke of Westminster, shall henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same title, place, rank, pre-eminence, and precedence as if their late father, Victor Alexander Grosvenor, commonly called Earl Grosvenor, had survived his father, the said Hugh Lupus, Duke of Westminster, and had succeeded to the said title and dignity of Duke of Westminster:

And to command that the said order and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

(F. & H. 12,267.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Horbour Department), London, August 30, 1900.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Rome, intimating that Paraguay has been declared free from plague, and quarantine regulations against arrivals revoked.

F. & H. 12,284.)

B and of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department). London, August 30, 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