

"In consideration of the due fulfilment of the foregoing articles, a payment of two heads of cowries shall be paid by all legal traders on every cask containing 150 gallons of palm oil, and two strings of cowries for each pound of ivory exported from Porto Novo; it being understood that no other duty, direct or indirect, be levied on the same produce, and the King do no trade.

"It is further agreed that a payment of 15 heads of cowries be paid for making public the readiness of any merchant to trade.

Signed at Porto Novo, this 17th day of June 1861.

"WILLIAM McCOSKRY, (Acting Consul.)

"LOJEE (King), × his mark.

"GOGAU (1st Chief), × his mark.

"PROGAU (2d Chief), × his mark.

"Witnesses:—

"THOMAS TICKEL, (Acting Vice-Consul.)

"CHAS. FORREST, (Lieut. Commanding H.M.S. Bruce.)

"J. A. MASER, (Ch. Missionary.)

"THOS. MAGNE.

"J. B. WILLIAMS, (Interpreter.)"

"Inclosure 2, in Mr McCoskry's Despatch of July 2d, 1861.

"Copy of the Treaty signed by the Chief of Badagry, June 19, 1861.

"WHEREAS the legitimate trade of Badagry has hitherto been greatly obstructed by certain native regulations:

"William McCoskry, Her Britannic Majesty's Acting Consul, on behalf of British subjects, others under British protection, and all legal traders, subjects of countries in amity with Great Britain, and the Chiefs of Badagry, on behalf of themselves and their people.

"Art. I. The people of Badagry and others, natives of the neighbouring countries, trading in or to Badagry, shall be allowed to trade freely and directly with the merchants trading at Badagry in their own establishments, and none shall on that account be subject to any impost more than when trading one with another.

"Art. II. No native nor Chief of Badagry shall control in any way the trading transactions of any merchant by fixing the price at which any article is to be sold, but shall leave that to be settled between the buyer and seller themselves.

"Art. III. The Chiefs of Badagry shall cause their subjects to pay their just debts to traders within reasonable time, and if not paid within the time fixed, shall cause the property of the person so owing to be sold to liquidate the debt.

"Art. IV. Any person subject to the Chiefs of Badagry that may be convicted of theft, robbery, incendiarism, or any other offence, shall be punished by the Chiefs, and they shall use proper means to bring any person accused of any offence to justice.

"Art. V. Traders at Badagry shall be allowed to employ in any legal work any person they may choose, whether a native of Badagry or not, and no native nor Chief of Badagry shall obstruct persons so employed in the performance of their work.

"Art. VI. In consideration of the due fulfilment of the foregoing Articles, the traders at Badagry shall pay a duty of 1½ heads of cowries

on every 150 gallons of palm oil or nut oil, and 2 strings of cowries on every pound of ivory exported from Badagry, the amount arising from such duty shall be divided quarterly by Her Britannic Majesty's Consul amongst the Chiefs of Badagry, according to their conduct and capabilities in furthering the interests of commerce and civilization.

"It is clearly understood that the payment of one head per 30 gallons hitherto charged by Badagry people on palm oil coming from Porto Novo, and all other such charges and imposts on produce, cease when this agreement comes in force.

(Signed) "THOMAS TICKEL, Acting Vice-Consul.

his
"LOE×WAUR,
mark.

his his
"AKEO×NH, MO×BE,
mark. mark.

his his
"LUI×GE, AGO×ITOE,
mark. mark.

his his
"PHEO×WH, BALL×A,
mark. mark.

his
"POSS×U,
mark.

"Witnesses to Signatures:—

"J. E. MOFFATT.

"J. W. JOHNS.

"J. TICKELL.

"H. ALEXANDER.

"W. ROBERTS."

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
August 11, 1861.*

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Carthagena, enclosing an official bulletin of July 1, stating that the Atlantic Ports of New Granada are not blockaded.

Commission signed by the Queen.

City of Edinburgh Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Donald Patrick Campbell, Esq. late Captain 92d Highlanders, to be Adjutant, vice Page, transferred to the London Scottish Rifle Volunteer Corps. Dated 12th July 1861.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to accept the resignation of the Commission held by Lieutenant John Morison in the above Corps.

Commission signed by the Queen.

Royal Glamorganshire Light Infantry Regiment of Militia.

Matthew Beachcroft Harrison, Esq. to be Adjutant, from the 13th July 1861. Dated 31st July 1861.