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WHITEHALL, March 31, 1862.

THE following Address of Condolence, on the occasion of the death of His Royal Highness The Prince Consort, which has been transmitted to the Right Honourable Sir George Grey, Baronet, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, has been laid before the Queen by Sir George Grey, and has been received very graciously by Her Majesty :—

To The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the President, Vice-Presidents, and Governors of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, in Special Court assembled, desire humbly to lay before your Majesty the expression of our heartfelt sorrow and sympathy in the irreparable loss which your Majesty and the whole Nation have sustained by the deeply lamented death of His Royal Highness the Prince Consort. We feel, in common with all our fellow-subjects, how inadequate any words of ours must be to express the full extent of the loss which the Nation, as well as your Majesty, has to deplore in the removal of so bright an example of domestic virtue, and of wisdom and faithfulness in counsel in every season of public difficulty.

As Governors of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, which from its opening has flourished under your Majesty's most gracious protection and patronage, we have especially to mourn over the loss of His Royal Highness, who condescended for many years to be the Patron of the Institution, and a kind and regular contributor to its funds.

We pray that it may please Almighty God to support and comfort your Majesty in this dark hour of deepest affliction, and to grant to your Majesty for many years the consolation of seeing your Royal children adorning their high station by following the steps of their beloved and lamented Father in the midst of your Majesty's attached and devoted people.

Signed by order, and on behalf of the Board of Governors, this 18th day of March 1862.

RICHD. BENYON, President.

And the following on the same subject : from The Inhabitants of the County of Kilkenny. The President and Council of the Manx Society for the Publication of National Documents of the Isle of Man.

DOWNING STREET, March 31, 1862.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint William Robinson, Esq., to be President and Senior Member of the Council of the Island of Montserrat; Charles Augustus Berkeley, Esq., to be a Member of the Privy Council of the Island of Tobago; Lieutenant-Colonel James McCaul Hagart, C.B., to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the Island of St Vincent; and Edward Augustus Chichester Macartney to be Colonial Secretary for the Falkland Islands.

FOREIGN-OFFICE, April 1, 1862.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr George Hingston as Vice-Consul at Dartmouth, for His Royal Highness the Grand Duke of Mecklenburgh-Schwerin.

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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
April 1, 1862.*

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Russian Consul-General in London, the following copy of a Notice to Mariners, issued by the Department of Foreign Trade at St Petersburg.

From the 13th of May of the present year 1862, it is enjoined to Owners and Captains of vessels arriving at Russian Ports, to have at the stern-post and at the stem of their vessels metal or other marks shewing their draught of water in English or other feet, or in French metres. These marks must be painted in oil, and of a clear colour, so as to be better visible, and in default of the indication of this measure, or in case of a false indication, if the mistake exceed a quarter of an inch to each foot of the real draught of water at the stern-post, Captains and Owners of vessels will be liable each time to pay a penalty of ten roubles silver, per vessel.