

THE PRINCE OF WALES' COUNCIL CHAMBER,
BUCKINGHAM GATE, November 6, 1868.

The Names of the Gentlemen who have been nominated to serve the office of Sheriff of the County of Cernwall :—

The Honourable George Matthew Fortescue, of Boconnoc.

John Whitehead Peard, of Trenithon, Esq.
Major Grylls, of Glynn.

(C. 1565.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall,
November 12, 1868.

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 Minister at Hamburgh, reporting that a Zollverein Custom-house has been established in that city.

At this new Custom-house all goods, as well as passengers' luggage destined for the States of the Zollverein may be entered for import duties and cleared, or may be passed free if not subject to duties; and all goods destined for exportation may be entered outwards, and pay the export duties when due.

The Officers of the Custom-house are likewise authorised to make special arrangements for the visitation and clearance of all goods and effects passing by the ports and railways, and to grant all requisite certificates and documents.

Several villages and places to the north as well as the south of Hamburg, and likewise the Bailiwick of Ritzebuttel, at the mouth of the Elbe, have, since the 1st November, been annexed to the Zollverein.

The city and port of Hamburg however, with its suburbs of St George and St Paul (as well as the outer harbour of Cuxhaven), still remains a free port, so that neither the Zollverein Custom-house nor the extension of the Customs' Frontier imposes any restriction upon the freedom which foreign commerce has hitherto enjoyed in that city, or upon the liberty of warehousing and of forwarding goods in transit.

(C. 1569.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall,
November 12, 1868.

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a translation of a decree issued by the Minister for the Colonies of the Provisional Government of Spain, on the 28th ult., of which the following are the articles :—

Art. 1. All materials imported from abroad into the Islands of Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines, destined for public works, such as railroads, tramways, high-roads, by-roads, canals for transport and irrigation, waterworks, ports, light-houses, and civic constructions of general utility, are declared to be exempt from the payment of tariff dues.

Art. 2. In order to carry out the provisions of the previous Article the project of each work shall be accompanied by a list of all the materials to be imported for the same from abroad.

Art. 3. The Superior Civil Governor, in agreement with the office of Inspection of Public Works, shall decide definitively concerning the list.

Art. 4. The said list cannot be modified or altered during the execution of the works, except by again going through the official steps expressed in the previous Article.

INDIA OFFICE, November 12, 1868.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the following admission to the Staff Corps, made by the Government of Madras :—

To be Lieutenant.

Lieutenant Holloway Walrond Hastings, Royal (Madras) Artillery. Dated 27th August 1858.

ADMIRALTY, November 10, 1868.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Lieutenant Charles Edward Servante to be Second Captain, vice Domville, to half-pay. Dated 1st November 1868.

ADMIRALTY, November 10, 1868.

The undermentioned Officers have been this day promoted to the rank of Engineers in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of the 3d November 1868 :—

Mr John Hall (b).

Mr George Gravestock.

ADMIRALTY, November 11, 1868.

Commander George Lowcay Norcock has this day been retired with the rank of Captain, under the Orders in Council of 1st August 1860, 9th July 1864, and 24th March 1866.

Queen's Commission.

105th Lanarkshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

James Shaw Hay to be Adjutant, from the 19th October 1868.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent, and of the City and County of the City of Canterbury.

12th Kent Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Charles Stuart to be Captain, vice Beveridge, resigned. Dated 5th November 1868.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County Palatine of Durham.

5th Durham Artillery Volunteer Corps.

Joseph Thomson to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 28th September 1868.

William Anderson to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 28th September 1868.

1st Durham Engineer Volunteer Corps.

Zaccheus Walker to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 9th October 1868.

8th Durham Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Alfred Swan to be Lieutenant. Dated 9th October 1868.

Thomas Small Miller to be Ensign. Dated 9th October 1868.