CROWN OFFICE, December 12, 1868.

The Queen has been pleased, by letters patent nuder the Great Seal, to appoint Sir John Duke Coleridge, Knt., to be Her Majesty's Solicitor-General.

## COUNCIL CHAMBER,

DUBLIN CASTLE, December 15, 1868.

This day the Privy Council assembled, when His Grace Richard Chenevix, Lord Archbishop of Dublin; General the Right Honourable Lord Strathnairn, G.C.B., G.C.S.I., Commanding Her Majesty's Forces in Ireland; and the Right Honourable Jonathan Christian, Lord Justice of Appeal, were sworn Lords Justices of Ireland.

The Right Honourable the Lord Chancellor of Ireland has appointed James Muirhead, Esq., of 42, West George Street, Glasgow, to be a Commissioner to administer oaths in the High Court of Chancery in Ireland, for the City of Glasgow, and adjacent Counties of Lanark, Ayr, Renfrew, Stirling, Dumbarton, and Argyle.

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Board of Trade, Whitehall, December 11, 1868.

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Com mittee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, from Her Majesty's Ambassador at St Petersburgh, an extract from the "Journal de St Pétersbourg," of the 138th November last, of which

the following is a translation :-

A decision of the Council of the Empire, which received the sanction of His Majesty the Emperor on the 14th November last, suppresses the free importation of foreign salt into the ports of the White Sea, with the exception of the Murmansk Coast and the town of Kola, where the importation will continue free, as hitherto. The prohibition will come into force on and after the 14th October 1869. Salt coming from the Government Salt Works at Archangel, which shall be forwarded at the Murmansk Coast, shall be exempt from excise duty, provided that every dispatch shall weigh 1,000 pouds at least, and shall be effected, with the permission of the local administration of excise, at one of the following ports, viz.:—Archangel, Onega, Sumskoï, Kem or Kola.

Sea salt from the sea coasts of the White Sea and Arctic Ocean, destined for the salting of fish upon the spot, or forwarded to the Murmansk Coast or to Kola, shall be also exempt from the excise duty.

## WAR-OFFICE, PALL-MALL, December 15, 1868.

Commissariat Department—The promotion of Deputy-Assistant Commissary-General Alfred Ernest Petrie to be antedated to 9th September 1868, and to be vice Servantes, deceased.

Deputy-Assistant Commissary-General Charles Davis O'Connor to be Assistant Commissary-General, vice McKinstry, placed on the Retired List. Dated 1st October 1668.

Chaplain's Department—The Reverend David Arthur, Chaplain of the Fourth Class, to be Chaplain of the Third Class. Dated 20th November 1868.

INDIA OFFICE, December 14, 1868.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the following List of promotions and alterations of rank amongst the Officers of Her Majesty's Military Forces, and in the Staff Corps, made by the Governments in India:-

## BREVET.

The undermentioned Officers having completed the required period of service, to be Colonels, under the Royal Warrant of 31st January 1859 :-

Lieutenant Colonel Lousada Barrow, C.B., Madras Staff Corps. Dated 29th September 1865.

Lieutenant Colonel William Taylor Money, Madras

Army. Dated 1st January 1867. Lieutenant Colonel William Henry Freese, Madras Army. Dated 1st January 1867.

Lieutenant Colonel John Penrose Coode, Madras Army. Dated 1st January 1867.

Lieutenant Colonel George Staple Dobbie, Madras Dated 1st January 1867. Army.

Lieutenant-Colonel Arthur Newbolt Rich, Madras Army. Dated 1st January 1867,

Lieutenant Colonel John William Schneider, Bombay Army. Dated 1st January 1867.

Lieutenant Colonel John Sherbrooke Gell, Bombay Army. Dated 1st January 1867.

Major James Shaw Gibb, Royal (Bengal) Artillery, to be Lieutenant Colonel in succession to Major-General A. W. Lawrence, Madras Cavalry, deceased. Dated 22d February 1868.

Major William Wilson, Royal (Bengal) Artillery, to Le Lieutenant-Colonel, Captain (local Major) Robert Morton, Royal Madras Artillery, to be Major, in succession to General John Alexander Paul MacGregor, Bengal Infantry, deceased. Dated 6th March 1868.

Major Alexander Carnegy, Bombay Staff Corps, to be Lieutenant Colonel, Captain John Henry Porter Malcolmson, Bombay Staff Corps, to be Major, in succession to Major-General E. R. Mainwaving, Bengal Staff Corps, deceased. Dated 9th April 1868.

Major Alexander Ross Elliott Hutchinson, Bengal Staff Corps, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, Captain Henry Tursden Forbes, Bengal Staff Corps, to be Major, in succession to Lieutenant-General Henry Coningham, Madras Cavalry, deceased. Dated 22d April 1868.

The undermentioned Officers will take rank from the dates specified :-

Lieutenant Colonel C. J. S. Gough, V.C., Bengal

Cavalry, from the 24th January 1867. Lieutenant-Colonel C. W. Miles, Bengal Staff Corps, from the 12th February 1867.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. B. Little, Bombay Staff Corps, from the 26th February 1867.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. H. Bacon, Bombay Staff Corps, from the 1st March 1867.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. B. Johnson, Bengal Staff Corps, from the 11th March 1867.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. T. Macpherson, V.C., Ben-

gal Staff Corps, from the 13th March 1867. Lieutenant-Colonel M. J. Brander, Bengal Staff Corps, from the 25th March 1867.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. Bunny, Royal (Bengal) Artillery, from the 5th April 1867. Lieutenant-Colonel G. A. Renny, V.C., Royal

(Bengal) Artillery, from the 1st June 1867. Licutenant Colonel George Hutchinson, Bengal Staff Corps, from the 3d July 1867. Lieutenant-Colonel O. Wilkinson, Bengal Cavalry,

from the 14th July 1867.