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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
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THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, copies of two Decrees issued by the French Government respecting the temporary importation of cast iron and cotton tissues.

The following are the Articles of these Decrees, which were published on 9th January instant :—

I. ART. 1. Cast iron shall continue to be admitted under the system of temporary admissions which was instituted by the Decree of 15th February 1862.

Cast pig iron, however, can only be imported under this system for the manufacture of cast wares.

ART. 2. Iron and other metals enumerated in Art. 1 of the Decree of 15th February 1862 must be conveyed to the factories authorised to make use of them.

The Custom-house officers will take such measures as are necessary to ensure the arrival of these products at their destination.

ART. 3. Charcoal-iron cannot be represented upon re-exportation by an equivalent of articles manufactured from coke-iron.

ART. 4. The credit account allowed on importation will only be opened at the recommendation of the Consulting Committee of Arts and Manufactures, charged with the duty of examining into the relation which exists between the material imported and the products exported.

ART. 5. All the provisions of the Decree of 15th February 1862, which are not opposed to the present Decree, are to remain in force.

ART. 6. The importation credit accounts already opened will remain in force for six months from the date of the present Decree, under the conditions laid down in the foregoing Articles.

II. ART. 1. Four months from the date of the present Decree, tissues of cotton, pure or mixed, shall cease to be admitted under the system of temporary admissions.

ADMIRALTY, January 18, 1870.

Lieutenant William L'Estrange Walsh has been this day placed upon the Retired List, with the rank of Commander, under Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 1860, 1864, and 1866.

Queen's Commission.

Royal South Lincoln Militia.

Christopher Wade Farwell, Esq. late Captain 37th Foot, to be Adjutant, from the 1st November 1869, vice Norris, resigned.

Queen's Commission.

4th Administrative Battalion of Hampshire Rifle Volunteers.

Captain William Cooke, late Adjutant of the 3d Administrative Battalion of Hampshire Rifle Volunteers, to be Adjutant, from the 10th September 1869.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Dumbarton.

7th Dumbartonshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant William Calder to be Captain, vice Geils, resigned. Dated 17th January 1870.
Ensign John M'Intyre to be Lieutenant, vice Calder, promoted. Dated 17th January 1870.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Berks.

1st Administrative Battalion of Berkshire Rifle Volunteers.

Walter Price Howell Barker to be Surgeon, vice May, resigned. Dated 30th December 1869,

1st Berks Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign Henry Bilson Blandy to be Lieutenant, vice Simonds, resigned. Dated 12th January 1870.

Lewis Cooper to be Ensign, vice Blandy, promoted. Dated 12th January 1870.