FOREIGN OFFICE, May 31, 1870.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr John Burden Blandy as Consul at Port Natal for His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Don Jonathan Biuns Were as Consul at Melbourne for the Republic of Peru.

DUBLIN CASTLE, June 1, 1870.

The Lord Lieutenant has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-Colonel John Charles William Fortescue of Stephenstown, Dundalk, to be Vice-Lieutenant of the County of Louth, during the absence from Ireland of the Lieutenant of that County.

WHITEHALL, May 19, 1870.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Daniel Leonard, of Moreton Valence, in the county of Gloucester, Gentleman, eldest son of Edward Leonard, of Waterern, in the parish of Coaley, in the said county of Gloucester, Gentleman, by Louisa, his wife, only daughter of Daniel Palmer, late of Moreton Valence aforesaid, and sister of Daniel Willey Palmer Willey, (formerly Daniel Willey Palmer,) late of Moreton Valence aforesaid, Esquire, deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of his maternal uncle, the said Daniel Willey Palmer Willey, take the surname of Willey, in addition to and after that of Leonard:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's College of Arms, otherwise to be void and of none effect.

WHITEHALL, May 28, 1870.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Thomas Edward Case, of Papplewick Hall, in the parish of Papplewick, in the county of Nottingham, Gentleman, eldest son of John Ashton Case, late of Hartham Park, in the parish of Corsham, in the county of Wilts, Esquire, deceased, by Caroline Elizabeth, his wife, sister of Henry Frederick Walker, late of Blythe, in the said county of Nottingham, Esquire, also deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of his maternal uncle, the said Henry Frederick Walker, take and use the surname of Walker in lieu of that of Case:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's College of Arms, otherwise to be void and of none effect.

CROWN OFFICE, June 2, 1870.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present Parliament.

County of Suffolk.

Eastern Division.

Arthur Philip Stanhope, (commonly called Viscount Mahon,) in the room of the Honourable John Major Henniker Major (now Baron Hartismere,) called up to the House of Peers.

WAR-OFFICE, PALL-MALL, June 3, 1870.

MEMORANDUM

Dated Horse Guards, May 3, 1870.

With a view to obviating as far as possible any difficulties that might arise from the present unequal promotion to the rank of Major-General of Colonels of the British and Indian Lists respectively, it is Her Majesty's pleasure that so much of the Horse Guards Memorandum dated 25th April 1855, as may refer to Officers of the Indian Army promoted hereafter to the rank of Major-General, shall be temporarily suspended; and that, until further orders, the rank of Major-General conferred under the first clause of the Regulations attached to the Royal Warrant dated 15th June 1864, on an Officer of the Indian List, shall be local until the Colonel of the Guards or Line of the British List, immediately senior to him as Colonel, may become a Major-General, when the rank of the Officer of the Indian List, as then held, will be made general; such antedate being given to the Commission of the Colonel of the British Army promoted to be Major-General as will place the two Officers in the same relative position as Major-Generals as they held as Colonels.

In thus giving an antedate to the Commissions as Major-Generals of Officers who have been, or may be hereafter, promoted on the Imperial Lists, and extending the same principle whenever necessary to the Major-Generals of the Artillery, Engineers, and Marines, it is not intended in any way to interfere with the relative positions which the Major-Generals of the several branches of the British Service may now or may hereafter hold among themselves under the operation of the ordinary and existing system of promotion.

ADMIRALTY, May 30, 1870.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22d February 1870, the undermentinned Officers have been placed on the Retired List:—

Staff Commanders:

Frederick William Rea, from the 18th instant.
Alfred Messum, from the 19th instant.
Henry Duncan Burney, from the 21st instant.

Navigating Lieutenants:

Henry G. Thomsett,
Francis Skead,
from this date.

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

1st Forfarshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Frank Moir to be Ensign, vice Downie, resigned. Dated 31st May 1870.

David James Low to be Ensign, vice Mitchell, promoted. Dated 31st May 1870.

Commissions signed by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Isle of Man.

2d Isle of Man Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Lieutenant James Spittall to be Captain, vice Harrison, resigned. Dated 5th May 1870.

Ensign Robert Swan Stephen to be Lieutenant, vice Spittall, promoted. Dated 5th May 1870.