

suitable to this occasion, to be used in all churches, chapels, and places of public worship; and to take care the same be timely dispersed through their respective dioceses.

Given at Our Court, at Osborne-House, Isle of Wight, this ninth day of March, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, and in the tenth year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION,

*For a General Fast in Scotland.*

VICTORIA, R.

WE, taking into Our most serious consideration the heavy judgments with which Almighty God is pleased to visit the iniquities of this land, by a grievous scarcity and dearth of divers articles of sustenance and necessaries of life, and, trusting in the mercy of Almighty God, that, notwithstanding the sore punishment which He hath laid upon Us, and upon Our people, He will, if We turn to Him in due contrition and penitence of heart, withdraw His afflicting hand; have, therefore, resolved, and do, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby command, that a public Fast and Humiliation be observed throughout that part of Our Kingdom called Scotland, on Wednesday the twenty-fourth day of March instant, that so both We and Our people may humble Ourselves before Almighty God, in order to obtain pardon of Our sins, and may, in the most devout and solemn manner, send up Our prayers and supplications to the Divine Majesty, for the removal of those heavy judgments which Our manifold sins and provocations have most justly deserved, and under which We at this present time labour; and We do strictly charge and command, that the said public Fast be reverently and devoutly observed by all Our loving subjects in Scotland, as they tender the favour of Almighty God, and would avoid His wrath and indignation; and upon pain of such punishment as may be justly inflicted on all such as contemn and neglect the performance of so religious and necessary a duty. Our will is, therefore, and We charge, that this Our Proclamation seen, ye forthwith proceed to the Market Cross of Edinburgh, and all other places needful, and there, in Our name and authority, make publication hereof, that none pretend ignorance; and Our will and pleasure is, that Our Solicitor do cause printed copies hereof to be sent to the Sheriffs of the several shires, Stewarts of stewartries, and Bailiffs of regalities, and their Clerks, whom We ordain to see the same published; and We do appoint them to send copies hereof to the several parish churches within their bounds, that, upon the Lord's Day immediately preceding the

day above mentioned, the same may be published and read from the pulpits, immediately after Divine Service.

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*Foreign-Office, March 12, 1847.*

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. John Burd, as Consul at Hong Kong for His Majesty the King of Denmark.

*Foreign-Office, March 13, 1847.*

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Francisco José de Paiva, as Consul General at Hong Kong for Her Majesty the Queen of Portugal and the Algarves.

*Downing-Street, March 16, 1847.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Charles Packer, Esq. to be Her Majesty's Solicitor General for the Island of Barbadoes.

*Crown-Office, March 16, 1847.*

MEMBER returned to serve in this present PARLIAMENT.

*City of Canterbury.*

Sir Albert Denison Conyngham, Knt. commonly called Lord Albert Denison Conyngham, in the room of James Bradshaw, Esq. deceased.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Stafford.*

*Queen's Own Royal Regiment of Staffordshire Yeomanry Cavalry.*

Francis Orlando Henry Bridgeman, Gent. to be Cornet, vice Briscoe, promoted. Dated 20th February 1847.

By virtue of the powers vested in me, by an Act of Parliament, passed in the session held in the eighth and ninth years of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the care and treatment of lunatics," on the recommendation of the Commissioners in Lunacy, I, the Right Honourable Charles Christopher Lord Cottenham, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, do hereby revoke the licence or authority granted, on the 20th day of October 1846, by James Pulleine, W. Lockwood, and W. J. Anderson, three of the Justices of the