

joined copy of a translation of a Mexican Decree, of the 10th December, 1853, opening to foreign commerce the port of Isla del Cármen, and regulating the terms upon which foreign vessels will be allowed to load log-wood at the said port.

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*Secretary of State's Office.*

His Excellency the President has been pleased to forward me the following Decree:—

ANTONIO LOPEZ DE SANTA ANNA,  
&c., &c., &c.,

President of the Mexican Republic, to the inhabitants thereof: Know that, by virtue of the authority with which the nation has been pleased to invest me, I have thought proper to issue the following Decree:—

Art. 1. The Port of the Island del Cármen, in the territory bearing the same name, is open to foreign commerce.

Art. 2. The merchandize which by virtue of this Decree is imported by said port, cannot be introduced to any other port of the Republic, but must necessarily be consumed in the said territory.

Art. 3. The Tariff to be observed at the said port is the general Tariff of the Republic of 1st June of the present year, and posterior amendments.

Art. 4. Foreign ships, after having legally unloaded in any port of the Republic, may go to the Isla del Cármen to load logwood, subject always to the visits of the Port Captain, and other requisite formalities observed in like cases.

Under these circumstances no tonnage dues will be exacted.

Art. 5. Ships that arrive at the said port from foreign parts, in ballast, to load log-wood, must be provided with the necessary consular certificate, and will pay tonnage dues.

Wherefore, I command that this be printed, made public, circulated, and that due observance be given to it.

Done in the National Palace, at Mexico, the 10th December, 1853.

(Signed)

ANTONIO LOPEZ DE SANTA ANNA.

To the Minister of Finance.

And I forward it to you, &c. &c.

(Signed)

SIERRA Y ROSSE, Minister of Finance.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,  
February 16, 1854.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received a Dispatch from Her Majesty's Consul at St. Domingo, reporting that, in consequence of the outbreak of cholera at St. Thomas and Nevis, the Dominican Government have prohibited all intercourse with St. Thomas and any other infected island, and that no vessel from the infected islands will be admitted until further orders.

All ships coming from places either known or presumed to be infected are strictly forbidden to communicate with the shore for such a period as the Board of Health may think requisite.

Port La Caldera, at the Bay of Ocoa, is appointed as the quarantine place for vessels without sickness on board, for the provinces of Saint Domingo and Azua; and Punta de Salina, in the same bay, for vessels with cases of disease.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,  
Marine Department, February 16, 1854.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, copies of Despatches from Her Majesty's Consul at Elsinore, announcing that the light-ships in the Drogden and Læso Channels have been removed from their positions, in consequence of the ice.

*War-Office, 17th February, 1854.*

1st Regiment of Dragoons, Lieutenant Henry Sykes, to be Captain, by purchase, vice Sibthorp, who retires. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Cornet Thomas Keane FitzGerald to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Sykes. Dated 17th February, 1854.

William Edmund Curtis, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice FitzGerald. Dated 17th February, 1854.

3rd Light Dragoons, Jacob Camac Murphy, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice Vyse, promoted. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Scots Fusilier Guards, Major and Colonel Henry Lord Rokeby to be Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Colonel Henry Colville, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Captain and Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel George Morton Eden to be Major, by purchase, vice Lord Rokeby. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet-Colonel the Honourable Charles Beaumont Phipps, C.B., from half-pay unattached, to be Captain and Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Eden. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Lieutenant and Captain Henry Percival de Bathe to be Captain and Lieutenant-Colonel, by purchase, vice Honourable C. B. Phipps, C.B., who retires. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Ensign and Lieutenant Roger Mostyn to be Lieutenant and Captain, by purchase, vice de Bathe. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Ensign and Lieutenant the Honourable George Grey Dalrymple has been permitted to retire from the Service, by the sale of his Commission. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Battalion-Surgeon Thomas Richardson to be Surgeon-Major, vice William Henry Judd, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon John Ashton Bostock, M.D., to be Battalion-Surgeon, vice Richardson. Dated 17th February, 1854.

Assistant Staff-Surgeon Arthur Guy Elkington to be Assistant-Surgeon vice Bostock. Dated 17th February, 1854.

2nd Foot, Captain George Wolfe, from the 87th Foot, to be Captain, vice Mathias, appointed to the 54th Foot. Dated 17th February, 1854.

19th Foot, Ensign Edward Robert Ward Bayley to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Beadon, who retires. Dated 17th February, 1854.

John Henry Kirke, Gent., to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Bayley. Dated 17th February, 1854.

28th Foot, Lieutenant Henry Robert Crew Godley to be Captain, by purchase, vice de Winton, who retires. Dated 17th February, 1854.