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St. James's Palace, July 13, 1855.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Miss Emily Catheart, second surviving daughter of the late Lieutenant-General Sir George Catheart, K.C.B., to be one of the Maids of Honour in Ordinary to Her Majesty, in the room of the Honourable Matilda Paget, resigned.

Foreign-Office, July 12, 1855.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Gaillard de Ferry as Consul-General in London for the Emperor of the French.

Crown-Office, July 12, 1855.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Evesham.

Edward Holland, of Dumbleton, in the county of Gloucester, Esquire, in the room of Charles Lennox Grenville Berkeley, Esquire, who has accepted the office of Steward of Her Majesty's Chiltern Hundreds.

> Board of Trade, Whitehall, July 10, 1855.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Bilbao, forwarding the enclosed Notification, issued by the Spanish Board of Health, affecting masters of British vessels which arrive in Port Santander.

(Copy.)

(Translation.)

It is enacted by the Sanitary Law that every vessel which arrives at a port of the Peninsula from a foreign port, not having a Bill of Health, incurs a fine of 1100 reals of Vellon, and a fine of 200 Reals when the Bill of Health is not countersigned by the Spanish Consul resident at the port of departure of the vessel.

And as it has been observed at this port that in many recent instances British vessels have contravened these regulations, and as I am desirous to guard against further abuses, and that in the strict fulfilment of the law, the observance of which is confided to me, no further questions may arise on the plea of ignorance—which in sound principles would not exempt the infractor from responsibility,-I have deemed it expedient to address you, in order that you may take such steps as you may consider proper to make the above known to the British mercantile community; and further, that it is to be borne in mind, that in such cases where there may be no Spanish Consul or Agent residing at the port of the vessel's departure, the magistrate of the place by whom the Bill of Health is granted must certify that fact.

I request you will acknowledge the receipt of

this communication.

May God preserve, &c.

Santander, June 21st, 1855.

(Signed) FELIZ DE AGUIRE.

The British Vice-Consul at this Town.

Board of Trade, Whitehall, July 10, 1855.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Acapulco, transmitting the enclosed translation of a Decree issued by the Mexican Government, granting certain advantages to whaling vessels which may enter the port of Acapulco.

(Copy.)

(Translation.)

IGNACIO COMONFORT, Governor and Commandant-General of the Department of Guerrero, to its inhabitants be it known, that the following decree has been forwarded to him by his Excellency General Alvarez, &c.

Art. 1st.—While ships of all friendly nations are permitted to enter and winter in the port of Acapulco, keeping their cargo on board, without being subject to tonnage dues or to any other expenses but those mentioned in this decree.

Art. 2nd.—The fees for the captain of the port pilot-boat and bill of health will be the same for whalers as those exacted from other vessels