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TUESDAY, MAY 12, 1857.

Lord Chamberlain's-Office, May 11, 1857.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be celebrated on Tuesday the 26th instant.

Whitehall, May 12, 1857.

THE following Address of congratulation to the Queen, on the occasion of the Birth of another Princess, having been transmitted to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Home Department for presentation, was presented accordingly to Her Majesty, who was pleased to receive the same very graciously.

To the QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble and dutiful Address of the London Committee of Deputies of the British Jews, for themselves and for the several Congregations they respectively represent.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE humbly and dutifully offer to your Majesty our congratulations on the joyous event of the Birth of another Princess, and of your Majesty's convalescence.

It ever affords us the most heartfelt delight, to assure your Majesty of our affection and loyalty, and that we truly rejoice in every event calculated to promote the happiness of your Majesty and of your Majesty's Illustrious Consort.

On behalf of the Board.

Isaac Foligno, President.

Downing-Street, May 8, 1857.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint J. W. Johnston, Esq., to be Attorney-General; M. J. Wilkins, Esq., to be Solicitor-General; C. Tupper, Esq., to be Provincial Secretary; J. J. Marshall, Esq., to be Financial Secretary; S. Brown, Esq., to be Receiver-General, and C. Tupper, Esq., to be Clerk of the Executive Council, for the province of Nova Scotia.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Nicolas Gustave Bestel, Esq., to be Second Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of the Colony of

Mauritius; J. H. Foster, Esq., to be Registrar of Demerara and Essequibo; J. F. Bourne, Esq., to be Civil Engineer and Overseer of Public Works for the Colony of British Guiana; the Chief Justice of Dominica for the time being to be a Member of the Council of that Island; and John Fox, Esq., to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the Island of Newfoundland.

Downing-Street, May 9, 1857.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint William Stevenson, Esq., to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Mauritius and its dependencies.

Board of Trade, Whitehall, May 11, 1857.

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 Minister at Lisbon, transmitting a translation of a Decree abolishing the monopoly on soap, and fixing the duty upon importation, as shewn by the annexed extract:

ART. 1. The monopoly of the manufacture of soap is hereby abolished in all the kingdom and adjacent islands, from the 1st July, 1858, when the present contract expires, and the manufacture and trade of this article will be open to all.

ART. 2. Foreign soap, imported through any of the custom-houses of the kingdom and adjacent islands, shall pay the following duties:

Common soap, of any quantity, one mil reis (4s. 6d.) per 100 lbs.
Savonets, six mil reis (£1 7s.) per 100 lbs.

ART. 3. The impost levied for the amortization of the notes of the Bank of Lisbon, by virtue of the laws of 13th July, 1848, 25th June, 1849, and 20th April, 1850, shall henceforth be at the rate of 12 per cent., payable in cash, upon all the duties levied at the custom-houses of the kingdom and islands, with the exception of those levied at the municipal custom-house of Lisbon, which will only be subject to an impost of 10 per cent., and the fishery tax 5 per cent.