Downing-Street, February 2, 1859.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Colonel Sir Henry Knight Storks, K.C.B., to be Her Majesty's Lord High Commissioner, in and for the United States of the Ionian Islands.

Foreign-Office, February 1, 1859.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Robert D. Merrill as Consul at Sydney for the United States of America.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Don Jorge Zammit y Romero, as Vice Consul at Malta; of Don Enrique de Azurmundi, as Vice Consul at Newcastle-upon-Tyne; and of Don Candido de Pedrorena, as Vice Consul at Southampton, for Her Majesty the Queen of Spain.

Duchy of Lancaster, February 2, 1859.

The Queen has been this day pleased to appoint Sir Robert Tolver Gerard, of Garswood, Bart., to be Sheriff of the County Palatine of Lancaster, for the year ensuing.

The Prince of Wales's Council Chamber, Buckingham Gate, February 3, 1859.

John Tremayne, of Heligan, in the county of Cornwall, Esquire, has been appointed Sheriff of the county of Cornwall.

Crown-Office, February 4, 1859.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Boston.

William Henry Adams of the said borough, Esq., Recorder of the borough of Derby.

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Board of Trade, Whitehall, February 3, 1859.

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 Saint Domingo, enclosing a translation of a Decree issued by the Government of that Republic, closing against Foreign Trade, the ports of Somaná, La Romana, and Monte Christi.

The same Decree requires that upon the arrival of any vessel at one of the open ports of the Republic, the Master should deliver all public papers, letters, or other correspondence, to the Officer visiting the ship, under a penalty of fifty silver dollars, which penalty will also attach to passengers not complying with the regulation, and for the infraction of which, seamen will be liable to fifteen days' imprisonment, in addition to any fine which may be imposed.

The Decree further provides that the same penalties will be imposed, if on board vessels leaving the port, any letters are found elsewhere than in the sealed bag, which every Master is required to receive before his departure.

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Board of Trade, Whitehall,
February 2, 1859.

THE Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from Her Majesty's Consul-General at Algiers, a copy of a Decree by the Prefect of Algiers, a translation of which is subjoined, rescinding a Decree of the 9th of December, 1856, which prohibited the cooking of provisions on board merchant ships in the port of Algiers.

(Translation.)

(Copy.)

Chamber of Commerce of Algiers.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The Chamber of Commerce announces to Captains and Masters of vessels that a Decree of His Imperial Highness the Prince Minister of Algeria and the Colonies, dated December 30, 1858, has rescinded the regulations contained in the Order of the Prefect, of the 9th of December, 1856, concerning the prohibition to make fires for cooking on board merchant vessels anchored in the port of Algiers.

In consequence of these new regulations the crews of vessels are now allowed to cook their

food on board.

Algiers, January 19, 1859.

A true copy.

(Signed) H. ANDRIC,

Assistant Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

A true translation.
(Signed) JOHN BELL, Consul-General.

War-Office, Pall-Mall, 4th February, 1859.

2nd Regiment of Life Guards, Captain John Massy, from half-pay Unattached, to be Captain, paying the difference between Infantry and Cavalry, vice Brevet Major Honourable Fenton John Evans Freke, who exchanges, receiving the same. Dated 4th February, 1859.

Lieutenant Frederick Marshall to be Captain, by purchase, vice Massy, who retires. Dated 4th February, 1859.

5th Dragoon Guards, William Leyland Feilden, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice Duffield, promoted. Dated 4th February, 1859.

6th Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant William Oliver Bird to be Captain, by purchase, vice Pinckney, who retires. Dated 4th February, 1859.

6th Dragoons, Lieutenant the Honourable E. R. Bourke to be Instructor of Musketry. Dated 14th January, 1859.

15th Light Dragoons. The third Christian name of Cornet Pearson, appointed on 31st December, 1858, is *Hooke*.

5th Regiment of Foot, Brevet-Major John Manley Wood, from half-pay Unattached, to be Captain, repaying the difference, vice Green, appointed to the 77th Foot. Dated 4th February, 1850

Lieutenant Edwin John Oldfield to be Captain, by purchase, vice Wood, who retires. Dated 4th February, 1859.

Ensign William Charles Shoolbred to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Oldfield. Dated 4th February, 1859.