

ble loss which your Majesty and the nation have sustained, we beg to assure your Majesty that we cease not to pray the Lord, the Great Disposer of events, to support your Majesty by His might, and to supply your Majesty with those consolations which He only can impart.

We earnestly unite in the prayer of your Majesty that our deliberations may be guided by wisdom from above, and that by the blessing of God they may tend to the advancement of true and undefiled religion throughout the land, and to the best interests of all the people.

The re-appointment of Lord Belhaven, Knight of the Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, as your Majesty's representative to this General Assembly, gives us the highest satisfaction; and it will be our grateful duty to render to him that respect and co-operation which his past attentions and courtesies, as well as his many services to the Church of Scotland, so justly merit.

We receive with gratitude your Majesty's Royal Warrant for £2000 for the Reformation of the Highlands and Islands; and we will give all diligence in applying it to the purposes for which it has been bestowed, so that it may be the means of extending and maintaining the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout that interesting part of your Majesty's dominions.

That the God of might and of consolation, who maketh everything work for the good of his people, may sustain and comfort your Majesty; that He may multiply to your Majesty and to your Royal House the earnestness of His love and favour, so "that your strength may be as your day;" that He may bless your Majesty with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ Jesus; and after experiencing the faithfulness of His promises here, that your Majesty may realize the joys of His presence, for evermore, is the earnest prayer of,

May it please your Majesty, your Majesty's most faithful, most loyal, and most obedient subjects, the Ministers and Elders met in the National Assembly of the Church of Scotland.

Signed in our name, in our presence, and at our appointment, by

Ja. Bisset, D.D., Moderator.

Edinburgh, May, 1862.

Foreign Office, May 23, 1862.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Sir Henry Vere Huntley, Knight, now Her Majesty's Consul and Arbitrator at Loanda, to be Her Majesty's Consul at Santos.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Watson Vredenburg, Esq., now Her Majesty's Consul at Para, to be Her Majesty's Consul at Loanda.

NOTICE.

Foreign Office, May 31, 1862.

Earl Russell, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received a despatch dated the 29th of April, from Mr. Augustus Paget, Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Copenhagen, inclosing notes addressed to him by Mr. Hall, Danish Secretary of State, stating that it is no longer required by the Danish Government that British subjects visiting the Kingdom of Denmark and the Danish Duchies, should be provided with Passports.

Downing Street, May 31, 1862.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Louis François Evenor Dupont, Esq., to be Master of the Supreme Court of the Island of Mauritius.

Whitehall, June 2, 1862.

The Queen, taking into Her Royal consideration that upon the decease of Robert Henry Earl of Pembroke, in the month of April last, the Earldom of Pembroke devolved upon George Robert Charles, now Earl of Pembroke, as being the eldest son and heir of Sidney Lord Herbert, of Lea, sometime Secretary at War (next brother of the said Robert Henry Earl of Pembroke), who died on the 2nd day of August, 1861, in the lifetime of his said brother, and that, according to the ordinary rules of honour, the brothers and sisters of the said George Robert Charles Earl of Pembroke cannot enjoy that place and precedence which they would have enjoyed had their said father, Sidney Lord Herbert, survived and succeeded to the Earldom of Pembroke, Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to ordain and declare that the Honourable Sidney Herbert, the Honourable William Reginald Herbert, the Honourable Michel Henry Herbert, the Honourable Mary Catherine Herbert, the Honourable Elizabeth Maude Herbert, and the Honourable Constance Gladys Herbert, shall henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same title, place, pre-eminence, and precedence as if their late father the said Sidney Lord Herbert had succeeded to the said title and dignity of Earl of Pembroke:

And also to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's College of Arms.

Crown Office, June 3, 1862.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Shrewsbury.

Henry Robertson, Esq., in the room of Robert Aglionby Slaney, Esq., deceased.

Indian Office, 31st May, 1862.

HER Majesty has been pleased to approve of the undermentioned promotions and alterations of rank in Her Majesty's Indian Military Forces:—

BENGAL ARMY.

Cavalry.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel from 1st January, 1862, in succession to Lieutenant-Colonels retired on the annuity:—

Major Stephen Francis Macmullen.

3rd Regiment European Light Cavalry.

Captain (Brevet-Major) Henry Robert Grindlay to be Major.

Lieutenant Burke Cuppage, to be Captain, vice Macmullen, promoted.

Dated 1st January, 1862.