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Whitehall, July 20, 1863.

THE following Address of Congratulation to the Queen, on the Marriage of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, having been transmitted to the Right Honourable Sir George Grey, Bart., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for Presentation, has accordingly been presented by him to Her Majesty, who has been pleased to receive the same very graciously:

To Her Most Gracious Majesty QUEEN
VICTORIA.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's most loyal and dutiful subjects, the Chief Bailiff and Members of the Local Government for the district of Burslem, in the county of Stafford, deeply participating in the universal feelings of loyalty and affection, humbly approach your Majesty to offer our sincere and hearty congratulations upon the auspicious alliance in Marriage of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales with Her Royal Highness the Princess Alexandra. We hope that in these Royal nuptials your Majesty may find the best earthly consolation for your one great loss, and we fervently pray that the blessing of Heaven may be vouchsafed to your Majesty's Royal Son and Heir, and his Royal Consort, and that it may please an all-wise and merciful Providence to spare your Majesty many years still to enjoy the sympathy and affection of your Majesty's devoted subjects.

Burslem,

Given under the hands and Seal of the Local Board the 10th day of March, 1863.

[Here follow the Signatures.]

Foreign Office, July 14, 1863.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint William Bowyer Smijth, Esq., now Attaché to Her Majesty's Embassy at Paris, to be a Third Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office, July 18, 1863.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Elias Perkins as Consul at Kingston, Jamaica, for the United States of America.

Foreign Office, July 20, 1863.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Leybourne Watson as Consul at Leith, for His Royal Highness the Grand Duke of Oldenburgh.

Foreign Office, July 21, 1863.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Don Mariano de la Roca as Consul at Newcastle for Her Majesty the Queen of Spain.

Downing Street, July 18, 1863.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Horatio James Huggins, Esq., to be Queen's Advocate for the colony of Sierra Leone.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
July 17, 1863.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, a copy of a Despatch from the Superintendent of the Province of Otago, New Zealand, containing a Report by the Harbour Master at that port relative to certain allegations made by the Master of the "Geneviève" (a vessel which was wrecked in the vicinity), with reference to the character of the Admiralty Chart for the coast of Otago.

In the report of the proceedings of the Mauritius Marine Board, which met to enquire into the circumstances of the loss of the "Geneviève," it was intimated that the Admiralty Chart of 1855, which was used by the Master, was calculated to mislead, inasmuch as the North Channel laid down thereon, though no doubt existing in 1850, had subsequently, owing to the shifting nature of the sands, ceased to be navigable. This statement was based on one alleged to have been made to the Master of the "Geneviève" by the Senior Pilot, to the effect that the Chart was erroneous, and that no such channel as that described existed. Under the circumstances the Marine Board considered that they could not hold the Master responsible for the loss of the vessel.

The report, however, of the Harbour Master of Otago shows that the Pilot did not say, as alleged,