

notice of his intention to make such representation, has, under the provisions of an Act passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixteenth and seventeenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England beyond the limits of the Metropolis, and to amend the Act concerning the burial of the dead in the Metropolis," made a representation stating that, for the protection of the public health, no new burial-ground should be opened in any of the undermentioned parishes without the previous approval of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that interments in the same should be discontinued, with the following modifications; viz.:

BALDERTON, NEAR NEWARK.—Forthwith in the parish church, and from and after the first August, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, in the churchyard, with the exception of now existing vaults and family graves; and also the reserved grave spaces.

CHALFONT ST. GILES, BUCKS.—Forthwith in the church and all that part of the churchyard which lies on the south of a line drawn along the south side of the church, with the exception of now existing family graves, which can be opened without disturbing human remains; and also in the remainder of the churchyard, with the exception of ground in which no burials have taken place for the last twenty years.

OUTWELL, WISBEACH.—Forthwith in the church; and also in the church yard, with the exception of ground which has not been used for twenty years, and also with the exception of now existing family graves.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty in Council is pleased hereby to give notice of such representation, and to order that the same be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on the twenty-second day of August next:

And Her Majesty is further pleased to direct that this Order be forthwith published in the London Gazette; and that copies thereof be affixed on the doors of the churches or chapels of, or on some conspicuous places within, the parishes affected by such representation, one month before the said twenty-second day of August.

Arthur Helps.

Council Office, Whitehall, July 9, 1864.

HER Majesty has been pleased by Her Order in Council of the 9th July, 1864, to grant to James Thomson, of Queen's College, Belfast, Civil Engineer, a prolongation for the term of seven years of certain Letters Patent for "Improvements in Hydraulic Machinery and Steam Engines," for such part only of the said patent as consists of improvements in apparatus for obtaining motive power from water, called a Case Wheel, and not for any other part or parts of the said invention, such Letters Patent having been originally granted to the said James Thomson, and bearing date the 3rd day of July, 1850, for England, Wales, and the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, and all Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations abroad.

Council Office, Whitehall, July 9, 1864.

HER Majesty has been pleased by Her Order in Council of the 9th July, 1864, to grant to Charles William Lancaster, of No. 151, New

Bond-street, Gun Maker, a prolongation for the term of four years of certain Letters Patent for "Improvements in the manufacture of Fire Arms and Cannon, and of Percussion Tubes," for such part only of the said invention as relates to the improvements in the manufacture of Fire Arms and Cannon, and not for the part of the said invention relating to Percussion Tubes, such Letters Patent having been originally granted to the said Charles William Lancaster, and bearing date the 3rd day of July, 1850, for England, Wales, and the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, and all Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations abroad.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, July 9, 1864.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be opened to the public, on and after Thursday next, the 14th instant.

Foreign Office, July 9, 1864.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of M. A. Cateaux as Consul at Singapore for His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of M. Ernst August Gumpert as Consul at Bombay for His Majesty the King of Hanover.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Don Manuel Caballero de Rodas as Consul at Singapore for Her Majesty the Queen of Spain.

Downing Street, July 9, 1864.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-General Sir Robert Percy Douglas, Bart., to be Lieutenant-Governor of the Cape of Good Hope.

UNIVERSAL CODE OF MARINE SIGNALS.

Board of Trade, Whitehall, July 11, 1864.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the "Moniteur" of the 7th July, containing a French Imperial Decree, of which the following is a Translation:—

ART. 1.

"The Commercial Code of Signals for the use of vessels of all Nations," as adopted by the Anglo-French Commission, shall alone be employed by French vessels for all communications exchanged at sea, whether between such vessels, or with semaphore stations, or with foreign vessels.

ART. 2.

Every vessel of the Imperial Navy, and every semaphore station on the French coasts, shall be furnished with the Signal Book, the flags, and other necessities for exchanging signals with French and foreign merchant vessels according to the method of signalling prescribed by the said code.