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War Office, July 23, 1864.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned Seaman of the Royal Navy, whose claim to the same has been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for his gallant conduct in New Zealand, as recorded against his name; viz.:

Name and Rank.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
<p>Samuel Mitchell, "Captain of the Fore-top" of Her Majesty's ship 'Harrier'</p> <p>Date of Act of Bravery, April 29th, 1864.</p>	<p>For his gallant conduct at the attack at Te Papa, Tauranga, on the 29th of April last, in entering the Pah with Commander Hay, and when that Officer was mortally wounded, bringing him out, although ordered by Commander Hay to leave him, and seek his own safety. This man was at the time 'Captain of the Fore-top' of the "Harrier," doing duty as Captain's Coxswain; and Commodore Sir William Wiseman brings his name to special notice for this act of gallantry.</p>

War Office, July 25, 1864.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the appointment of Captain Robert Jenkins, of the Royal Navy, to be an Ordinary Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath.

Foreign Office, July 22, 1864.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. John F. Potter as Consul-General for the British North American Provinces for the United States of America.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Thomas F. Martin as Consul at Dublin for His Royal Highness the Grand Duke of Mecklenburgh-Schwerin.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. James Frederick Wulff as Consul-General in London for the Free Hanseatic Cities of Lubeck, Bremen, and Hamburg.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. J. H. Bandow as Consul at Bassein for the Free Hanseatic City of Hamburg.

Westminster, July 25, 1864.

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords, authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain Stamp Duties; and to amend the laws relating to the Inland Revenue.

An Act to amend the law relating the valuation of rateable property in Ireland.

An Act to amend the Penal Servitude Acts.

An Act to vest the site of the India Office in Her Majesty for the service of the Government of India.

An Act to make provision for uniformity of process in summary criminal prosecutions and prosecutions for penalties in the inferior Courts of Scotland.