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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,  
July 20, 1865.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Despatch from the Governor of Malta, reporting that the quarantine on vessels arriving at that Island from Alexandria has been increased from seven to twelve days.

(1155.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,  
July 20, 1865.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following translation of a Decree recently issued by the President of Peru, closing the port of Islay and the cove of Quilca to all foreign vessels.

ART. 1st.—The port of Islay and cove of Quilca is closed to merchant vessels, national as well as foreign.

ART. 2nd.—In order to make effective the responsibility which by an infraction of the previous Article, any of the said vessels, national or foreign, may incur, the following periods, to be counted from the date of this decree are allowed.

As regards vessels proceeding from ports of Europe or Asia, or of the United States of North America, Venezuela, and Mexico, in the Atlantic Sea, five months.

As regards the ports of Mexico, Central America, and New Granada, in the North Sea, two months.

As regards those of Ecuador, forty days, and those of Chile, twenty-five days.

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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,  
July 20, 1865.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following copy of a Proclamation of the President of the United States, removing restrictions on trade to the west of the Mississippi:

By the President of the United States.

#### A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been the desire of the General Government of the United States to restore unrestricted commercial intercourse between and in the several States, as soon as the same could be safely done in view of resistance to the authority of the United States by combinations of armed insurgents;

And whereas that desire has been shown in my Proclamations of the 29th of April, 1865, the 13th of June, 1865, and the 23rd of June, 1865;

And whereas it now seems expedient and proper to remove restrictions upon internal, domestic, and coastwise trade and commercial intercourse between and within the States and Territories west of the Mississippi River:

Now, therefore, be it known that I, Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, do hereby declare that all restrictions upon internal, domestic, and coastwise intercourse and trade, and upon the purchase and removal of products of States and parts of States and Territories heretofore declared

in insurrection, lying west of the Mississippi River (excepting only those relating to property heretofore purchased by the agents or captured by or surrendered to the forces of the United States, and to the transportation thereto or therein, on private account, of arms, ammunition, all articles from which ammunition is made, gray uniforms and gray cloth) are annulled; and I do hereby direct that they be forthwith removed; and also that the commerce of such States and parts of States shall be conducted under the supervision of the regularly appointed officers of the Customs, [who] shall receive any captured and abandoned property that may be turned over to them, under the law, by the military or naval forces of the United States, and dispose of the same in accordance with instructions on the subject issued by the Secretary of the Treasury.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington, this twenty-fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the eighty-ninth.

(L.S.) ANDREW JOHNSON.

By the President:

W. HUNTER, Acting Secretary of State.

*Admiralty, 19th July, 1865.*

Mr. Charles William Lewis has this day been promoted to the rank of Assistant Engineer of the First Class in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 12th July, 1865.

*Admiralty, 20th July, 1865.*

Lieutenant Charles Frederick Hotham to be Commander, with seniority from 19th April, 1865.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Denbigh.*

*Royal Denbigh Rifle Regiment of Militia.*

Sir Robert Alfred Cunliffe, Bart., to be Major, vice Wynne, resigned. Dated 18th June, 1865.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Worcester.*

*Worcestershire Militia.*

Arthur Henry Cocks, Esq., to be Captain, vice Marriott, resigned. Dated 15th July, 1865.

*Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Wilts.*

*15th Wiltshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

George Lethbridge Cartwright, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Bradford, promoted. Dated 26th May, 1865.

Geoffrey Veel Cooper, Gent., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon. Dated 26th May, 1865.

*17th Wiltshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Ensign Edward Baverstock Merriman to be Lieutenant, vice Thompson, resigned. Dated 26th May, 1865.