

before you, or any three or more of you, such persons as you shall judge necessary by whom you may be the better informed of the truth in the premises.

And We do further, by these presents, give and grant to you, or any three or more of you, full power and authority to inquire of the premises and every part thereof by all lawful ways and means whatsoever, within all parts of Our United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland called Ireland.

And We do further, by these presents, give and grant unto you, or any three or more of you, full power and authority, where the same shall appear requisite, to administer an oath or oaths to any person whatsoever to be examined before you, or any three or more of you, touching or concerning the premises.

And We do further, by these presents, give and grant to you, or any three or more of you, full power and authority to cause all persons to bring and to produce upon oath before you, or any three or more of you, all and singular records, books, papers, and other writings, touching the premises, which shall be in the custody of them or any of them.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you, or any three or more of you, upon inquiry into the premises, do certify to us from time to time, under your hands and seals, your several proceedings as the same shall be completed, and do, within the space of fourteen calendar months after the date of these presents, or sooner if the same can reasonably be, certify unto Us, in like manner, the whole of your proceedings under and by virtue of these presents, together with what you shall find touching or concerning the premises upon such inquiry as aforesaid.

And We further will and command, and by these presents ordain, that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, shall and may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

And We hereby command all and singular the Justices of the Peace, Sheriffs, Mayors, Bailiffs, Constables, Officers, Ministers, and all other Our loving subjects whatsoever, as well within liberties as without, that they be assistant to you and each of you in the execution of these presents.

And for your assistance in the due execution of this Our Commission, We have made choice of Our trusty and well-beloved George Augustus Chichester May, Esquire, one of Our Counsel learned in the Law, and David Basil Dunne, Esquire, to be Secretaries to this Our Commission, and to attend you whose services and assistance We require you to use from time to time as occasion shall require.

In witness whereof, we have caused these Our letters to be made patent.

Witness Ourselves at *Westminster*, the fourteenth day of *January*, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, in the thirty-first year of Our reign.

By Warrant under the Queen's Sign-Manual,
C., ROMILLY.

Whitehall, January 17, 1868.

The Queen has been pleased to present the Reverend Lewis Welsh Owen, M.A., to the Rectory of Wadingham, in the county and diocese of Lincoln, void by the death of the Reverend William Windsor Berry.

Foreign Office, January 11, 1868.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable William Stuart, now Secretary to Her Majesty's Embassy at St. Petersburg, to be Her Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary to the Argentine Republic.

Foreign Office, January 14, 1868.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. George Worms as Consul at Edinburgh for His Majesty the Emperor of Austria.

Downing Street, January 15, 1868.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Sir Arthur Edward Kennedy, C.B. (late Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Island of Vancouver and its dependencies), to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the West Africa Settlements.

Downing Street, January 15, 1868.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Henry Connor, Esq., LL.B., to be a Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of the Colony of the Cape of Good Hope.

*Master of the Horse's Office,
January 17, 1868.*

Her Majesty has been pleased to appoint Colonel the Honourable Dudley Charles Fitz Gerald de Ros, 1st Life Guards, Extra Equerry, to be Equerry in Ordinary to the Queen, vice Lieutenant-General the Honourable Charles Grey, who has resigned his appointment. Dated 1st January, 1868.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint the following Extra Equeries to be Equeries in Ordinary to the Queen, from the 1st January, 1868; viz. :—

Colonel Charles Taylor Du Plat, Royal Artillery.
Colonel Henry Frederick Ponsonby, Grenadier Guards.

Colonel the Honourable Arthur Edward Hardinge, C.B., Coldstream Guards.

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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
January 16, 1868.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister