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*Foreign Office, October 30, 1868.*

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THE Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from the Acting British Consul-General at Havana the following circular, giving notice that all persons arriving at that Port must be provided with passports visé by a Spanish Consul:—

The Captain-General to Acting Consul-General Crawford.

(Translation.)

THE abuse which is being constantly committed by masters of steamers and sailing-vessels arriving at the Ports of this Island, of admitting passengers without passports, or without these documents being visé by the Spanish Consul at the places from whence they embark, thereby openly contravening the laws of this Island, which every one should respect, has obliged me to issue orders this day requiring all shipmasters to retain on board of their vessels, for reconveyance away from this Island, all persons who may be found so circumstanced, excepting those persons whose admission may be deemed allowable after previous guarantee of their respective Consuls, or a certificate of responsibility from two persons of respectability at the place where they arrive.

(Signed) FRANCISCO LERSUNDI.

Havana, 24th August, 1868.

*Foreign Office, October 29, 1868.*

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Harry Ernest Clay Ker Seymer, Esq., now a Second Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service, and employed in Her Majesty's Embassy at Paris, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Berne.

*Whitehall, November 2, 1868.*

The Queen has been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Great Seal, constituting and appointing the Right Honourable Benjamin Disraeli; the Right Honourable George

Ward Hunt; Claud John Hamilton, Esq. (commonly called Lord Claud John Hamilton); Sir Graham Graham Montgomery, Bart.; and Henry Whitmore, Esq.; to be Commissioners for executing the offices of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain, and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland.

*Downing Street, November 2, 1868.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant Philip James Hankin, R.N., to be Colonial Secretary for the Colony of British Columbia.

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

Robert Lorton Parry, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 26th October, 1868.

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

*5th or Royal Elthorne Light Infantry Regiment of Middlesex Militia.*

Robert Child, Gent., to be Lieutenant, vice Whyte, resigned. Dated 20th October, 1868.

*41st Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Ensign John Harkom to be Lieutenant, vice Renshaw, promoted. Dated 16th October, 1868.

*48th Middlesex Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Lieutenant Frederic Bessant Williams to be Captain, vice Roger, resigned. Dated 22nd October, 1868.

*Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Gloucester, and of the City and County of the City of Bristol.*

*1st Gloucestershire Rifle Volunteer Corps.*

Captain Samuel Edward Taylor to be Major. Dated 28th October, 1868.