

(C. 1070.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
September 5, 1870.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul-General at Algiers, reporting that the exportation of cereals has been prohibited at all the ports of Algeria.

(C. 1073.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
September 5, 1870.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received information through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, from Her Majesty's Consul-General at Tunis, to the effect that the Bey has directed a duty of two piastres (one shilling) per cwt. to be levied on all flour or semolina exported from the Regency.

(C. 1074.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
September 5, 1870.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a Despatch from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Bogota, enclosing a copy of a Decree passed by the Congress of the United States of Colombia, on the 22nd June last, reforming the tariff of duties levied upon the importation of certain articles of merchandize.

The following are the articles of the law in question:—

DECREES.

ART. 1. The importation duties on the following articles of merchandize shall be 20 cents per kilogram:—

Cotton manufactured in thread of any colour, either in hanks or on reels, and cloths, either ordinary, white, or unbleached, without any pattern or border, like those known here by the names of "domesticas," "liencillos," "madapollanes," "bramantes," "bogotanas," "medias-bogotanas," and others of the same kind; with the exception of muslin, lawn, stockings, caps, and vests, ready made articles for personal use and others of the same kind.

Saffron.

Brass manufactured in any form.

Cinnamon.

Hemp cloth, except when made into empty sacks or bags.

India rubber, either manufactured or not.

Copper manufactured in any way, with the exception of pails or caldrons, or in other articles, the weight of which may exceed 25 kilogram.

Pewter, in any shape.

Wines and liquors, except beer, in any kind of barrel, and red wine in pipes, barrels, demi-johns, and vessels containing more than 16 litres.

Ivory, bone, or horn, in any shape.

Tea, vinegar.

Section 1. These articles of merchandize shall form the third class of the tariff, and the present class of this number shall be No. 4.

Section 2. The executive power shall arrange and publish the tariff for the payment of importa-

tion duties, adding the changes which this law makes, and also those named in Art. 32 of the Law of the 30th of May, 1868, which is supplementary to the Custom's Laws, and by which these are reformed.

Section 3. The changes in the tariff of which this law treats, shall be put into operation on the 1st of next September, each article being increased and diminished, respectively, by 10 per cent. monthly of the difference between the duties established by the present law and those now in force.

ART. 2. Fireworks, cards of every kind, and perfumery, liquid or solid, shall pay 45 cents per kilogram.

ART. 3. Sulphur shall pay 5 cents.

ART. 4. From the 1st of September, forwards, the following articles of commerce will be included in the 1st class:—

Articles already in use, brought by immigrants, up to 150 kilograms per person, exclusive of personal luggage; materials for building, such as tiles, bricks, slabs, either baked or of stone; the books of Colombian authors printed out of the country; imitation marble in bricks or slabs; silkworms and hives; agricultural and mining implements, machines for preparing raw produce, whether for use or for exportation, such as machines for husking rice, cleaning coffee, pressing indigo, and others of the same kind, ploughs, pig iron, iron hoops, axletrees, wheels, springs and boxes for carts and carriages; tarpaulin for roofs of cottages and for bridges; sulphuric acid; engines, of whatever class, whose force may not exceed ten horse power; turret clocks, including dials and bells; red pitch; unmanufactured tallow; plants of all kinds; flour of wheat and Indian corn, and the apparatus for lighting by gas.

ART. 5. All the laws and existing regulations with respect to the Customs are reformed in the sense of the present Decree.

India Office, 2nd September, 1870.

HER Majesty has been pleased to approve of the following admissions to Her Majesty's Indian Medical Service:—

BENGAL.

To be Assistant-Surgeons,

James Frederick Parry McConnell, M.B., from 1st April, 1870.

Joseph O'Brien, from 1st April, 1870.

James O'Malley McDonnell, from 1st April, 1870.

James Reid, from 1st April, 1870.

Gilbert Proby Mackenzie, from 1st April, 1870.

MADRAS.

To be Assistant-Surgeons.

Charles Sibthorpe, from 1st April, 1870.

James Anderson Laing, from 1st April, 1870.

Henry David Cook, from 1st April, 1870.

BOMBAY.

To be Assistant-Surgeons.

Francis Jones, from 1st April, 1870.

Richard Aaron Peterson, from 1st April, 1870.

Thomas Stephenson Weir, from 1st April, 1870.