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Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace, Murch 26, 1872.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be kept on Saturday, the 1st of June.

Downing Street, May 25, 1872.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-General Sir Charles Thomas Van Straubenzee, K.C.B., to be Governor and Commanderin-Chief of the Island of Malta, and its Dependencies.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Anthony Musgrave, Esq., C.M.G., to be Lieutenant-Governor of the Colony of Natal.

(M. 5696.)

Board of Trade (Marine Department), Whitehall, May 24, 1872.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul-General in Egypt, stating that cholera had been very severe at Medina, and that the Board of Health had consequently resolved on increasing the duration of the quarantine to be performed at El Weg, to twenty days for vessels and fifteen days for caravans, and at Moses' Wells, on Egyptian pilgrims, to ten days.

An increase in the cases of small pox at Alexandria is also reported.

(M. 5717.)

Board of Trade (Marine Department), Whitehall, May 24, 1872.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Charleston, dated 2nd May, stating that from that date to the 31st October next the usual quarantine regulations of that port would be enforced.

Vessels from infected ports will be detained thirty days; while the detention of those bringing clean bills of health, issued by United States' Consuls, will be at the discretion of the Health Officer.

(M. 5675.)

Board of Trade (Marine Department), Whitehall, May 27, 1872.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs an extract from a Despatch from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Buenos Ayres, stating that in consequence of the yellow fever having broken out in Montevideo,—probably imported from Brazilian ports,—all the ports of the Argentine Confederation have been closed to vessels arriving from the Uruguay Republic.

(S. & C. 518.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall, May 27, 1872.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch addressed to the Government of Bombay by the Acting British Consul at Zanzibar, forwarding specimens of surface coal found within the southern district of the Zanzibar dominions, and stating that H. H. Seyd Burgash has promised to send a party with instructions to dig into the coal seam discovered, and to bring away samples from a depth of about six feet, in order that its real value may be tested.

War Office, Pall Mall, 28th May, 1872.

- 1st Regiment of Life Guards, Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel the Honourable Dudley Charles FitzGerald de Ros retires upon half-pay. Dated 29th May, 1872.
- Royal Horse Guards, Lieutenant Lawrence Dundas retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 29th May, 1872.
- Scots Fusilier Guards, Lieutenant and Captain William Edward Montgomery to be Adjutant, vice Lieutenant and Captain the Honourable P. S. Methuen, appointed Brigade-Major. Dated 13th November, 1871.
- 1st Foot, Victor Alexander Farquharson, Gent., to be Sub-Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant Mitford, retired. Dated 29th May, 1872.