Foreign Office, December 12, 1872.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable William George Stafford Jerningham, now Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General to the Republic of Peru, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General to the Republic of Peru.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Spenser St. John, Esq., now Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General to the Republic of Hayti, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General to the Republic of Hayti.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Robert Bunch, Esq., now Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General to the United States of Colombia, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General to the United States of Colombia.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Edwin Corbett, Esq., now Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General to the Republic of Guatemala, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General to the Republic of Guatemala.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Frederic Hamilton, Esq., now Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General to the Republic of the Equator, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General to the Republic of the Equator.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Robert Thomas Charles Middleton, Esq., now Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires and Consul-General to the United States of Venezuela, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General to the United States of Venezuela.

Foreign Office, December 16, 1872.

REGULATIONS FOR HER MAJESTY'S DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

Revised and confirmed by Earl Granville, December 16, 1872.

1. *Nomination, Qualification, and Examination of Candidates for Attachéships.*

CANDIDATES nominated for Attachéships in the Diplomatic Service must pass an examination before the Civil Service Commissioners ; and at the time of presenting themselves for it they must have completed the twentieth year of their age, and must not have exceeded the twenty-sixth. They must be prepared to present themselves for examination within three months from the date of their nomination.

Candidates, subject to the exceptions hereinafter stated, must satisfy the examiners in respect to the following points :—

1. Orthography.
2. Handwriting.
3. Précis writing.

4. That they are well grounded in Latin grammar, and are able to construe and parse a portion of some good classical Latin author, and to give the derivation of words.

5. That they are acquainted with the first four rules of arithmetic and decimal fractions, as given in Colenso's arithmetic, and with the first book of Euclid.

6. That they have a general knowledge of geography.

7. That they have a general knowledge of French grammar, that they can converse fluently in the French language on ordinary topics, and translate correctly from French into England, and from English into French.

8. That they have a general knowledge of the constitutional history of England, to be acquired from Blackstone's "Commentaries " (Ker's edition, 1862), and Hallam's "Constitutional History of England."

9. That they have a general knowledge of the political history of Europe, and of the United States of North America, from the Treaty of Paris, in 1815, to the Treaty of Villafranca, in 1860, comprising an acquaintance with the most important international transactions during that period.

10. That they have a general knowledge of Political Economy, to be acquired from Adam Smith's "Wealth of Nations" and Mill's "Political Economy."

11. That they are generally intelligent, as evinced by the manner in which they acquit themselves under examination, and specifically by the quickness they may show in seizing the points in papers read by them, or read over to them, once or twice.

2. *Candidates who may be exempted from part of the Examination.*

Candidates who, after statutable residence, have taken a degree in one of the Universities of the