henceforth all packages belonging to passengers or emigrants shall also be exempt from this tax.

The Order further directs that, as regards the clearance of merchandize in transit, importation and exportation shall be considered as one operation, and that accordingly the tax of 10 centimes per package shall be imposed at the port of entry only.

Her Majesty's Consul states that the order took effect at Calais on the night of the 25th-26th ultimo.

(M. 2494.)

Marine Department, Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, February 10, 1873.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreiga Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at the Hague, reporting that, as no fresh cases of yellow fever have occurred at Paramaribo, the quarantine on vessels from the Colony of Surinam is no longer enforced.

Admiralty, 7th February, 1873.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Surgeon Thomas McCarthy has been placed on the Retired List from the 5th instant.

Admiralty, 8th February, 1873.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Admiral the Right Honourable Thomas, Earl of Lauderdale, K.C.B., has this day been placed on the Retired List.

The following promotions consequent thereon, also dated this day, have taken place:—

Vice-Admiral Charles Eden, C.B., on the Retired List, to be Admiral on the Retired List.

Vice-Admiral the Honourable Charles Gilbert John Brydone Elliot, C.B., to be Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Rear-Admiral Francis Scott, C.B., to be Vice-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Captain the Honourable Francis Egerton to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, the undermentioned Officers have this day been placed on the Retired List:—

Staff Captain Francis H. May, with permission to assume the rank of Retired Captain from this date.

Assistant Paymasters:

Edwin Theakston. Augustus A. Lyne. Charles H. Fauvel. David C. Ker. Robert C. Bates.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 5th February, 1872—

Sub-Lieutenant Claude S. Fuller has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank. War Office, Pall Mall, 11th February, 1873.

1st Regiment of Dragoon Guards, Captain Alfred Hutton retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 12th February, 1873.

2nd Dragoon Guards, Henry Baron Hoey, Gent., to be Sub-Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant J. K. Ruttledge, promoted in the 3rd Dragoon Guards. Dated 12th February, 1873.

3rd Dragoon Guards, Captain Joseph Norton, retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 12th February, 1873.

Lieutenant John Knox Ruttledge, from the 2nd Dragoon Guards, to be Captain, vice W. J. Turner, retired. Dated 12th February, 1873.

Assistant-Surgeon Thomas Samuel Barrow, M.D., from the 23rd Foot, to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Robert Henry Bolton, who exchanges. Dated 12th February, 1873.

3rd Hussars, Captain Henry Richard Pim retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 12th February, 1873.

Lieutenant Robert Holford Daniell receives the value of a Cornetcy, on final transfer to the Indian Staff Corps. Dated 12th February, 1873.

5th Lancers, James Frederick Love Russell, Gent., to be Sub-Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant Edward Christopher Baker, deceased. Dated 12th February, 1873.

10th Hussars, Licutenant Edward Spencer Watson retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 12th February, 1873.

11th Hussars, Charles James Robarts, Gent., to be Sub-Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant A. E. S. Preston, promoted in the 14th Hussars. Dated 12th February, 1873.

15th Hussars, Lieutenant Charles George Cookson retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 12th February, 1872

20th Hussars, Paymaster and Honorary Captain Charles Loder, from half-pay, late 20th Hussars, to be Paymaster. Dated 24th December, 1872.

21st Hussars, Captain Howard Coghlan retires from the Service, receiving the value of his Commission. Dated 12th February, 1873.

Charles Hotham Purvis, Gent., to be Sub-Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant H. Coghlan, promoted. Dated 12th February, 1873.

Royal Artillery, Captain Edward Vicars Boyle, from the Supernumerary List, to be Captain, vice A. M. Bonar, deceased. Dated 3rd January, 1873.

Lieutenant Augustus John Lavie (late Madras) to be Captain, vice C. E. Pritchard, deceased. Dated 1st December, 1872.

Captain Cornwall Henry Campbell (late Bombay) to be Adjutant, vice A. M. Bonar, deceased. Dated 12th February, 1873.

Lieutenant Henry Thomas Thompson Sandes, from temporary half-pay, to be Lieutenant, vice A. J. Lavie (late Madras), promoted. Dated 12th February, 1873.

12th February, 1873.
Licutenant John Revill, from the Coast Brigade, to be Quartermaster, vice M. Robinson, who retires upon temporary half-pay. Dated 12th

February, 1873.

Lieutenant Henry Stuart Ford has been permitted to resign his Commission. Dated 3rd January, 1873.