

in which no case of cholera may have occurred within ten days.

5. The quarantine burial ground will be Peak Island.

By command,
(Signed) E. A. IRVING,
Clerk of the Councils.

(H. 219.)

*Board of Trade, (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, S.W., January 10, 1874.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Athens, stating that arrivals in Greek ports from Genoa have been admitted to free pratique since the 26th December last.

(S. & C. 35.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
January 12, 1874.*

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Decree of the Spanish Government (supplementary to the Decree of which notice was

inserted in the London Gazette of the 31st October last) fixing a fiscal zone of 11 kilometres, extending towards the provinces occupied by the Carlist forces, with regard to the new Custom-houses established in place of those which cannot be used in such provinces. Within that space the railroads and highroads, general and provincial, which lead directly to the Custom-houses will alone be considered as the means of free circulation, and any introduction of goods by any other roads will be considered fraudulent.

(S. & C. 37.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
January 12, 1874.*

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a French Law, dated the 31st December last, establishing an augmentation of the taxes upon drinks, and oils other than mineral. The following is a translation of the principal provisions of the law:

The import duty on wine, cider, perry, and hydromel, will be levied conformably to the following tariff:—

Total Population of Communes.	Duty per hectolitre of Wine in Casks and in Bottles in the Departments				Duty per hectolitre of Cider, Perry, and Hydromel.
	Of the 1st Class.	Of the 2nd Class.	Of the 3rd Class.	Of the 4th Class.	
From 4,000 to 6,000 ...	f. c. 0 45	f. c. 0 60	f. c. 0 75	f. c. 0 90	f. c. 0 40
„ 6,001 to 10,000 ...	0 70	0 90	1 15	1 35	0 60
„ 10,001 to 15,000 ...	0 90	1 20	1 50	1 80	0 75
„ 15,001 to 20,000 ...	1 15	1 50	1 90	2 25	1 0
„ 20,001 to 30,000 ...	1 35	1 80	2 25	2 70	1 15
„ 30,001 to 50,000 ...	1 60	2 10	2 65	3 15	1 35
„ 50,001 and above ...	1 80	2 40	3 0	3 60	1 50

On oils of every kind, except mineral oils, which shall be introduced into or manufactured in communes having at least a total population of 4,000, a duty will be levied conformably to the following tariff:—

Total Population of Communes.	Oils and other liquids capable of being used as Oil, with the exception of Mineral Oils.
	per 100 kil.
From 4,000 to 10,000...	6 frs.
„ 10,001 to 20,000...	7 „
„ 20,001 to 50,000...	8 „
„ 50,001 to 100,000...	10 „
„ above 100,000 ...	12 „

Admiralty, 12th January, 1874.

Royal Marines.

The undermentioned promotion and appointment have taken place in the Royal Marine Light Infantry: viz:—

Lieutenant and Assistant Musketry Instructor Sydney Vere Alston, of the Chatham Division, to be Captain at the Portsmouth Division, vice Savary, retired. Dated 1st January, 1874.

Admiralty, 9th January, 1874.

George Frederick Augustus Drew, Esq., has this day been promoted to the rank of Staff Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 13th December, 1873.

Mr. William Henry Green has this day been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Admiralty, 10th January, 1874.

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

Chief Engineer Richard Williamson has been this day placed on the Retired List of his rank.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 3rd March, 1873—

Assistant-Paymaster Edward Alfred Smith has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 15th October, 1873.

Admiralty, 12th January, 1874.

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

Admiral Sir Sydney Colpoys Dacres, G.C.B., has been placed on the Retired List from the 10th instant.