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TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 1874.

*Whitehall, January 17, 1874.*

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint the Most Noble Francis Charles Hastings, Duke of Bedford, to be Custos Rotulorum of the Isle of Ely, in the room of Charles Watson Townley, Esq., resigned.

The Queen has also been pleased to appoint Charles Watson Townley, Esq., to be Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Cambridge, in the room of Charles Philip, Earl of Hardwicke, deceased.

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*Marine Department, Board of Trade,  
Whitehall Gardens, January 17, 1874.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Lima, stating that the Government of Peru had agreed to adopt on board Peruvian merchant vessels the signals of distress and the signals for pilots set forth in Schedules 1 and 2 of "The Merchant Shipping Acts Amendment Act, 1873."

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
Whitehall Gardens, S.W., January 16, 1874.*

THE Board of Trade have received a letter from Her Majesty's Consul at Pernambuco, stating that on the 30th of December last, both yellow fever and small-pox continued to be epidemic in that port and city.

*Admiralty, 17th January, 1874.*

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

Commander Henry Stair Sandys has been this day placed on the Retired List of his rank.  
Lieutenant Chester Jones has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

*Admiralty, 19th January, 1874.*

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

Rear-Admiral George Henry Richards, C.B., F.R.S., has been this day placed on the Retired List of his rank.

And the following promotion consequent thereon has been made from the same date :—

Captain William Charles Chamberlain to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Consequent on the foregoing, the following promotions on the Retired List, have also taken place from the same date :—

Retired Captains :

James Edward Katon,  
Edward Westby Vansittart, C.B.,  
William Abdy Fellowes,  
John James Kennedy, C.B.,  
Henry Coryton,  
John Barling Marsh,

to be Rear-Admirals on the Retired List.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, and 4th August, 1873, the undermentioned Commanders have been placed on the Retired List, from the 1st October last, with permission to assume the rank of Retired Captain :—

Commanders :

Henry Joseph Challis.  
Henry Knox Leet.  
John Conyngham Patterson.  
Thomas Keith Hudson.

And the following Commanders have been placed on the Retired List of their rank from the same date :—

Commanders :

Honourable James Terence Fitzmaurice.  
Robert Pitman.  
Robert Hepburn Swinton.  
Arthur Cowburn.

The following Lieutenants have also been placed on the Retired List from the same date, with permission to assume the rank of Retired Commander :—

Lieutenants :

William Henry Bond.  
Henry James Fairlie.  
William Henry Lewin.  
William Frederick Murray.  
Walter Leigh Bamber.  
Clement Laprimandaye.  
Philip Thomas Richards.  
John Henry O'Brien.  
Henry Sanford Tilson Chowne.  
Keppel Garnier.  
Robert Thomas Brudenell Bruce.