

*Downing Street, March 28, 1874.*

The Queen has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments:—George Thomas Robert Kemp, Esq., to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Bahama Islands; Charles Rodgers Nesbitt, Frederick Duncombe, James Nibbs Brown, and William Gray Rattray, Esqrs., to be Members of the Legislative Council of the Bahama Islands; Thomas Scott, Robert Little, M.D., and William Ramsay Scott, Esqrs., to be Members of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements; and John Blades Currey, Esq., to be Secretary to the Government of the Province of Griqua Land West, John Cyprian Thompson, Esq., to be Attorney-General, Richard William Hoskins Giddy, Esq., to be Treasurer, and Francis Henry Samuel Orpen, Esq., to be Surveyor-General for that Province.

*House of Commons.*

By virtue of an Act passed in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to repeal so much of two Acts, made in the tenth and fifteenth years of the reign of His present Majesty, as authorizes the Speaker of the House of Commons to issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown for making out Writs for the election of Members to serve in Parliament, in the manner therein mentioned, and for substituting other provisions for the like purposes:"

I do hereby nominate, appoint, and authorize the Right Honourable Joseph Warner Henley, the Right Honourable Spencer Horatio Walpole, the Right Honourable John George Dodson, Samuel Whitbread, Esq., and Henry Cecil Raikes, Esq., being Members of the House of Commons, or any one or more of them, to execute all and singular the powers given to the Speaker of the House of Commons for the time being, for issuing Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, in cases as in the said Act specified.

Given under my hand and seal this thirtieth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four.

H. BRAND, Speaker.

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*Westminster, March 28, 1874.*

THIS day, the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Act, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act to apply the sum of one million four hundred and twenty-two thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven pounds fourteen shillings and six pence out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three and one thousand eight hundred seventy-four.

*Westminster, March 30, 1874.*

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to two Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act to apply the sum of seven million pounds out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

An Act to enable the Secretary of State in Council of India to raise money in the United Kingdom for the service of the Government of India.

*Whitehall, March 21, 1874.*

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto William Carlisle Sayer, Clerk, Master of Arts of the University of Cambridge, Rector of Saint Leonards, Wallingford, in the county of Berks, second son of Edward Lane Sayer, Clerk, Master of Arts of the University of Cambridge, Vicar of Pulloxhill, in the county of Bedford, deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a direction contained in the last will and testament of his uncle, Henry Collier Milward (heretofore Henry Collier Sayer), of York-street, Portman-square, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, deceased, take and use the surname of Milward in addition to and after that of Sayer, and that he and they may bear the arms of Milward quarterly in the first quarter with his and their own family arms; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

*Admiralty, 30th March, 1874.*

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

Chief Engineer Samuel Thomas Singer has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

*Admiralty, 31st March, 1874.*

The following promotions in Her Majesty's Fleet have this day been made for services rendered during the recent Ashantee Campaign:—

Commander Percy Pitt Luxmoore to be Captain in Her Majesty's Fleet,

Lieutenant John Hext to be Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet,

Sub-Lieutenant Gerald Rivers Maltby to be Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Fleet,

Staff Surgeon Second Class Henry Fegan, M.D., to be Staff Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet, with the seniority of 28th instant.

Commander Prescott William Stephens to be Captain in Her Majesty's Fleet.