

from Washington, inclosing copy of a Joint Resolution passed by the two Houses of Congress, modifying, in favour of foreign exhibitors, the existing United States Customs' Regulations.

A copy of this document may be seen on application at the Statistical and Commercial Department, Board of Trade, 1, Whitehall, S.W.

(S. & C. 1602.)

*Board of Trade, 1, Whitehall,
August 17, 1876.*

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from the Acting Chargé d'Affaires in Peru, stating that His Excellency the President has issued a Decree, dated the 7th July, declaring the ports of Pimental and Pacasmago open to foreign commerce from the 1st August.

(H. 6108.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, August 17, 1876.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul-General at Bagdad, stating that all arrivals from the Persian Gulf will be admitted to free pratique.

(H. 6113.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, August 17, 1876.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, stating that the Russian Sanitary Board require the number of passengers carried by vessels arriving from Ottoman ports to be exactly stated in the bills of health, otherwise such vessels will be subjected to ten days' quarantine.

Admiralty, 15th August, 1876.

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

Chief Engineer Charles James Inches has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 4th instant.

Admiralty, 16th August, 1876.

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

Chief Engineer George Cook has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 12th instant.

Admiralty, 17th August, 1876.

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

Paymaster George Henry Lake Wise has this day been placed on the Retired List from the 11th ultimo, and has been allowed to assume the rank and title of Paymaster-in-Chief from that date.

Admiralty, 18th August, 1876.

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

Captain John Edward Parish has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 11th ultimo.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
18th August, 1876.*

Corps of Royal Engineers, The temporary Commissions as Lieutenant of the following Officers have been made permanent, and are ante-dated to the 29th April, 1873, such ante-date not to carry back pay :—

Matthew Henry Phineas Riall Sankey.
The Honourable Milo George Talbot.
Alexander Lechmere Mein.
Frederic Natusch Maude.
Henry Lyle Mulholland.
Samuel Arthur Einem Hickson.
Gerald Charles Penrice Onslow.
William Francis Howard Stafford.
Edmund Augustus Waller.
Arthur Herbert Kenney.
Robert Alexander Wahab.
William Augustus Edmund St. Clair.
George Alfred Tower.
Edmund Spencer Eardley Childers.
Cecil Vernon Wingfield-Stratford.
Cedric Maxwell.
Walter Coles.

The following Gentlemen Cadets, from the Royal Military Academy, to be Lieutenants with temporary rank :—

James Henry Cowan, vice E. M. Larminie, promoted. Dated 2nd August, 1876.
Henry Edzell Morgan Lindsay, vice L. K. Scott, promoted. Dated 2nd August, 1876.
Francis George Bond, vice T. English, promoted. Dated 2nd August, 1876.
Robert Shafto Hedley, vice V. F. Rowe, promoted. Dated 2nd August, 1876.
George Francis Levenson, vice F. S. Shepherd, retired upon temporary half-pay. Dated 2nd August, 1876.
Frederick Gilbert Bowles, vice A. E. O. Cotton, deceased. Dated 2nd August, 1876.
Francis Bacon Longe, vice T. H. Holdich, promoted. Dated 2nd August, 1876.

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Captain the Honourable Robert William Napier, Bengal Infantry, to be Major. Dated 19th August, 1876.

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice in accordance with the 8th section of the Act 38 and 39 Victoria, cap. 45, that the sum of £200,000, being part of the amount of the "New Sinking Fund" for the year 1876-77, will be issued in the current quarter to the National Debt Commissioners, to be applied to the redemption of debt, as required by the third section of the aforesaid Act.

Treasury Chambers,
August 16, 1876.

*Veterinary Department, Privy Council Office,
44, Parliament-Street, Westminster, S.W.*

THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1869.

THE Privy Council have appointed Frederick Keal, M.R.C.V.S., to be an Inspector for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act.

John Ward, M.R.C.V.S., has ceased to be an Inspector of the Privy Council for the purposes of the above-mentioned Act.

ALEXANDER WILLIAMS.

August 17, 1876.