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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1876.

Whitehall, October 5, 1876.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, appointing Sir Colin Blackburn, Knt., one of the Judges of the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of Justice, to be a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, under the provisions of "The Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1876," and granting him the dignity of a Baron for life, by the style and title of Baron Blackburn, of Killearn, in the county of Stirling.

Whitehall, October 6, 1876.

The Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, appointing the Right Honourable Edward Strathearn Gordon, one of Her Majesty's Counsel, and Her Majesty's Advocate for Scotland, to be a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, under the provisions of "The Appellate Jurisdiction Act, 1876," and granting him the dignity of a Baron for life, by the style and title of Baron Gordon, of Drumearn, in the county of Stirling.

Treasury Chambers, October 5, 1876.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have been pleased to appoint Alexander Baillie Cochranc, Esq., to be a Trustee of the National Portrait Gallery, in the room of William Smith, Esq., deceased.

Education Department, Whitehall, October 4, 1876.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the formation of a School Board in the undermentioned United District:—

Haversham (comprising the parishes of Haversham and Little
Linford Buckingham

(H. 7106.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), Whitehall Gardens, October 5, 1876.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs information to the effect that the Portuguese Government have declared the port of Bahia free from yellow fever since the 25th August last, and the ports of the province of Pernambuco free from the same disease since the 12th August last.

Admiralty, 3rd October, 1876.

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

Lieutenant Thomas Peere Williams Nesham to be Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet. Sub-Lieutenants:

Francis John Oldfield Thomas, John Casement, to be Lieutenants in Her Majesty's Fleet.

The Reverend Frank Cole Stebbing has been appointed Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 26th September, 1876.

. Admiralty, 4th October, 1876.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, and 5th August, 1875—

Captain James Edward Bickford has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 16th ultimo.

Admiralty, 5th October, 1876.

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

Lieutenant Stuart Bankes Roupell has been this day placed on the Retired List of his rank.

Royal Marines.

Lieutenant Edward Hugh Rowley Hibbert has been permitted, 3rd instant, to resign his Commission in the Royal Marine Light Infantry.