

*Foreign Office, February 24, 1877.*

THE Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from Her Majesty's Consul at Monte Video, a translation of a Circular, which has been addressed by the Uruguayan Government to their Consular Officers, warning them against the exaction of fees that are not authorized by the Consular Tariff of the Republic:—

(Translation).

FOREIGN OFFICE.

CIRCULAR.

*Monte Video,*

*January 12, 1877.*

SEÑOR CONSUL,

AS it is has come to the knowledge of the Government, that certain Consuls of the Republic in England erroneously interpreting the Consular Tariff, have charged Consular Fees for legalising bills of lading and certificates of origin of goods, His Excellency the Provisional Governor has determined upon settling this point, deciding that such documents shall only be legalised in cases when the parties interested so require.

If any of the Consuls or Vice-Consuls within your jurisdiction shall have exacted these dues, he should make restitution of the amount received, advertising to that effect for the information of those interested.

In addition you will desire all your subordinates that they shall state, at the foot of documents certified, the Consular fee charged in accordance with the Tariff.

God preserve you many years,

(Signed) AMBROSIO VELAZCO.

*India Office, February 26, 1876.*

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Sir Richard Temple, Bart., K.C.S.I., to be Governor of Bombay.

The Queen has also been pleased to appoint Mr. Whitley Stokes, Barrister-at-Law, Doctor of Laws, C.S.I., to be an Ordinary Member of the Council of the Governor-General of India.

*India Office, February 24, 1877.*

Mr. E. C. Van Cutsem, Consul for the Netherland Government at Calcutta, having been appointed by the Surinam Government to be Emigration Agent for that Colony at Calcutta, the Secretary of State for India in Council is pleased to signify his approval of that appointment in conformity with the provisions of the 2nd Article of the Convention between Her Majesty and the King of the Netherlands relative to the Emigration of Labourers from India to the Dutch Colony of Surinam, signed at The Hague, September 8, 1870.

*Whitehall, February 17, 1877.*

The Queen has been graciously pleased to give and grant unto John Colbatch Onions, of Brighton, in the county of Sussex, Gentleman, and to Sarah Jane, his wife, only daughter and heir of Thomas Clark, of Derndale, near Hereford, in the county of Hereford, Esquire, deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that they and their issue may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of the said Thomas Clark, discontinue the surname of Onions and use in lieu thereof the surname of Clark only:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise to be void and of none effect.

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

THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1869.

SINCE the notice in the London Gazette of the 20th instant, cattle-plague has been detected in a shed at Hackney, within the Metropolis; and in two dairies at Hull, Yorkshire.

February 27, 1877.

*Admiralty, 23rd February, 1877.*

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of the 1st August, 1860, 9th July, 1864, and 24th March, 1866, the undermentioned Officer, having attained fifteen years' seniority as Commander, has been allowed to assume the rank and title of Retired Captain from the 19th instant:—

Commander Alfred Prowse Hasler Helby.

*Admiralty, 24th February, 1877.*

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

Captain David Spain has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 20th instant.

The following promotions have this day been made:—

Commander the Honourable Victor Alexander Montagu to be Captain in Her Majesty's Fleet.  
Lieutenant Francis John Jeffrey Elliott to be Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet.

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

Fleet Surgeon John Gray has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from this date.

*War Office, Pall Mall,*

*27th February, 1877.*

*Chaplains' Department, Chaplain of the Fourth Class the Reverend George Mead, M.A., to be Chaplain of the Third Class. Dated 10th February, 1877.*

THE SLAUGHTER HOUSES, &c. (METROPOLIS) ACT, 1874.

37 and 38 Victoria, ch. 67.

WHEREAS at a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, now duly holden under and in pursuance of the statute made and passed in a session of Parliament holden in the 18th and 19th years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis," and of the statute amending the same, at the offices of the said Board, at Spring-gardens, Westminster, within the district of the said Board, the said Board being satisfied, after due enquiry in that behalf, that the businesses hereinafter mentioned and described are offensive businesses, deem it expedient that the same should be declared to be offensive businesses, under the 3rd section of "The Slaughter Houses, &c. (Metropolis) Act, 1874." Now, therefore, the said Board, being the Local Authority within the meaning of the said last-mentioned Act, do, under and by virtue of the powers vested in them in that behalf by the said last-mentioned Act, now declare by