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Downing Street, December 30, 1879.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint William Anthony Musgrave Sheriff, Esq. (late Attorney-General of the Island of Grenada), to be Attorney-General for the Bahama Islands.

(H. 8820.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, December 31, 1879.*

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 Rome, enclosing a copy of a Notice issued by the Italian Government, announcing the withdrawal of the prohibition against the importation of rags, old clothes, and unwashed linen from the Ottoman Empire, the Montenegrin ports on the Adriatic littoral, and the Russian ports in the Black Sea and the Sea of Azoff; also a copy of a Notice exempting vessels arriving from the Levant with clean bills of health from the medical inspection prescribed by the Sanitary Ordinance of the 27th January, 1875, provided that no case of disease shall have occurred during the voyage.

(H. 8820.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, December 31, 1879.*

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 Rome, enclosing a copy of a Notice issued by the Italian Government, declaring that, in consequence of the cessation of yellow fever in the Northern States of the American Union, all ships arriving from the northern portion of the Union, shall, from the 18th ultimo, be exempted from the quarantine treatment prescribed by the Ordinance of 30th July last for all arrivals from the United States of America, beginning with those from North Carolina, provided that such ships have clean bills of health, and that no case of fever has occurred on board during the voyage.

(H. 12.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, January 1, 1880.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs information to the effect that, in consequence of the increase of yellow fever at Rio de Janeiro, vessels from Brazil are subjected at Monte Video to a quarantine of 15 days counting from the date of their departure from Brazil.

(H. 8593.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, January 1, 1880.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of the following new Law on the subject of Light Dues in the Argentine Republic, to take effect from the 1st January, 1880 :—

(Translation.)

Buenos Aires, September 27, 1879.

FORASMUCH as the Senate and Chamber of Representatives of the Argentine nation assembled in Congress, &c., have sanctioned the following :—

ARTICLE 1. Lighthouse and anchorage dues shall be recovered in the Republic as below set forth.

ARTICLE 2. Vessels arriving from beyond the Capes shall, without exception, pay a tax of six centavos (silver) per ton register.

ARTICLE 3. Vessels navigating within the Capes shall, if above twenty tons' burthen, pay without exception each several time that they may arrive at or depart from ports situated in el Rio de la Plata one centavo (silver) per ton register.

ARTICLE 4. Coasting vessels of less than twenty tons and upwards of five tons shall pay twenty centavos on each occasion of entering or quitting ports in el Rio de la Plata.

ARTICLE 5. Lighters ("las imbarcaciones playeras") shall pay the tax in the manner following, viz. :—

	Tons.	Tons.	Monthly.
Vessels of	5 to 20	...	0·30 centavos, silver.
	21 to 50	...	0·50 " "
	51 to 100	...	0·70 " "
	101 to 200	...	\$1·00 " "
	201 to 300	...	\$1·50 " "
	301 and upwards	...	\$2·00 " "

ARTICLE 6. Vessels under five tons burthen are free from tax.

ARTICLE 7. Vessels arriving or sailing in ballast shall pay half the established charge.

ARTICLE 8. All vessels arriving in distress are exempt from tax, provided they neither take on board nor discharge cargo.

ARTICLE 9. All anterior regulations which may militate against the due carrying into effect of the present Law are hereby annulled.

ARTICLE 10. The present Law shall continue in force during the year 1880.