

cards to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, in order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to His Royal Highness.

The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at half-past one o'clock.

MOUNT-EDGCUMBE,  
Lord Chamberlain.

*Whitehall, February 3, 1880.*

THE Queen, taking into Her Royal consideration, that upon the decease of William John, fifth Duke of Portland, unmarried, on the 6th day of December last, the title and dignity of Duke of Portland devolved upon William John Arthur Charles James, now Duke of Portland, as the eldest son and heir of Arthur Cavendish-Bentinck, Esq., Lieutenant-General in Her Majesty's Forces, who was the second but eldest surviving son and heir of William Charles Augustus Cavendish-Bentinck, commonly called Lord William Charles Augustus Cavendish-Bentinck, and the grandson of William Henry, third Duke of Portland, and brother of William Henry, fourth Duke of Portland, the father of William John, fifth and late Duke of Portland, and that according to the ordinary rules of honour the half brothers and sister of the said William John Arthur Charles James, now Duke of Portland, cannot enjoy that place and precedence which would have been due to them had their father survived his cousin, the said William John, fifth Duke of Portland, and thereby succeeded to the title and dignity of Duke of Portland, Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to ordain and declare that Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, William Augustus Cavendish-Bentinck, Charles Cavendish-Bentinck, and Ottoline Violet Anne Cavendish-Bentinck, all minors, shall henceforth have, hold, and enjoy the same title, place, pre-eminence, and precedence as if their late father the said Arthur Cavendish-Bentinck had survived his cousin, the said William John, fifth Duke of Portland, and had thereby succeeded to the title and dignity of Duke of Portland.

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

*Whitehall, February 9, 1880.*

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Surgeon-General Thomas Longmore, C.B., Her Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of an Officer of the Order of the Legion of Honour, conferred upon him by the President of the French Republic, as a promotion from the Fifth Class of that Order which he received in 1856 when Surgeon of the 19th Regiment, for his services in the Crimean War.

*The Prince of Wales's Council Chamber,  
Buckingham Gate, February 7, 1880.*

HIS Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Seal of the Duchy of Cornwall appointing Charles Glynn Prideaux Brune, of Prideaux Place, Padstow, Esq., Sheriff of the County of Cornwall.

*Crown Office, February 9, 1880.*

MEMBER returned to serve in the present  
PARLIAMENT.

*Borough of Liverpool.*

Edward Whitley, of Clovelly, Anfield, Liverpool, Esq., in the place of John Torr, Esq., deceased.

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*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),  
Whitehall Gardens, February 7, 1880.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs copies of Italian Maritime Health Ordinances which enact that—in consequence of yellow fever existing in Venezuela and the United States of Columbia—ships from those countries shall be subject to sanitary treatment in Italy; and that—in consequence of the disappearance of yellow fever from the United States of America—ships arriving thence in Italy are no longer to be subjected to the sanitary treatment prescribed by the Ordinance of the 30th July last, provided such ships have clean bills of health and that their sanitary state during the voyage has been satisfactory.

*Admiralty, 6th February, 1880.*

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 30th April, 1877—

Engineer George Pratt has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from this date.

THE following Assistant Paymasters have this day been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet, with the Seniorities stated against their names:—

William Frederick Woods, 1st January, 1880.  
Pentland John Mould, 26th January, 1880.  
John Thomas Greet, 3rd February, 1880.

*Admiralty, 9th February, 1880.*

THE following promotions have been made:—  
Sub-Lieutenants:

Robert Maitland King,  
Arthur Horatio Shirley,  
George Frederick Glennie,  
James Weston Litle,  
William Leighton Down,  
Mortimer Keppel Wodehouse,  
William Hewetson,  
Thomas Henry Fisher,  
John Thirkill White,  
Arthur Romeyn Beck,  
William Henry Arnold,  
Algernon Hardy Oliver,  
John Henry Waters Theed,  
Herbert Lyon,  
Hugh Pigot Williams,  
Frederick Charles Doveton Sturdee,  
to be Lieutenants in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 7th instant.

*Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers.  
London Brigade.*

Arthur Bethune Woodd, Esq., to be Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 9th February, 1880.

*War Office, Pall Mall,  
10th February, 1880.*

*71st Regiment of Foot.*

General John Hamilton Elphinstone Dalrymple, C.B., from the 108th Foot, to be Colonel, vice General the Honourable Sir G. Cadogan, K.C.B., deceased. Dated 28th January, 1880.