

in this Order shall be deemed to interfere,) is hereby declared to be an area infected with foot-and-mouth disease.

3. No market, fair, exhibition, or sale of animals shall be held in the said area except as follows :

Markets, exhibitions, and sales of animals may be held with the licence in writing of the Local Authority.

Animals exposed for sale or exhibited in such markets, exhibitions, or sales so licensed shall be slaughtered within ten days after the holding of the market, exhibition, or sale (as the case may be), and every licence so granted by the Local Authority shall specify such slaughter as the condition on which the licence is granted.

4. If any animal so required to be slaughtered is not so slaughtered, the purchaser or owner thereof or his agent (as the case may be) shall be deemed guilty of an offence against the Act of 1878.

C. L. Peel.

SCHEDULE.

An area comprising the County of Kent, and the Boroughs of Canterbury, Deal, Dover, Faversham, Folkestone, Gravesend, Hythe, Maidstone, Margate, Ramsgate, Rochester, Sandwich, Ten-terden, and Tonbridge Wells.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India.

WHEREAS it has been represented to Us, that it is expedient to extend the period during which the system may be continued of granting Brevet Promotion by succession on the occasion of a vacancy on the Establishment of General Officers of Our Indian Forces :

Our will and pleasure is that Clause (d) of Article 1, and Clause (d) of Article 2 of Our Warrant of the 28th January, 1878, be cancelled, and that the following be substituted in lieu thereof :—

For Clause (d) of Article 1, relating to promotion of Captains to the rank of Major,

(d) By Brevet, in succession to a vacancy on the establishment of General Officers, provided such vacancy occur before the 1st October, 1881.

For Clause (d) of Article 2, relating to the promotion of Majors to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel,

(d) By Brevet, in succession to a vacancy on the establishment of General Officers, provided such vacancy occur before the 1st October, 1881, or thereafter for so long as there remain any Majors on the List of Cavalry and Infantry who are not subject to the conditions prescribed in the General Order of Our Governor-General of India in Council, dated the 9th December, 1859, No. 1637.

Given at Our Court at Osborne, this twenty-first day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty, and in the forty-fourth year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's command,
Hartington.

Downing Street, December 30, 1880.

THE Chiefs of the Island of Rotumah, in the Western Pacific Ocean, having prayed that they may be brought under the Sovereignty of the British Crown, Her Majesty has been graciously pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under

the Great Seal of the United Kingdom declaring that the Island of Rotumah and its Dependencies shall form part of Her Majesty's Dominions, and shall be annexed to the Colony of Fiji.

(S. & C. 2907).

Board of Trade, 1, Whitehall,
December 30, 1880.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a notice issued by the Argentine Government informing Ship Owners and Captains that the Argentine Law of the 9th October last, prohibits, until further notice, the extraction of guano, phosphates, and saltpetre; fishing, and the killing of sea birds on the Coast of Patagonia under the following penalties :—

Vessels and establishments on the coast found to be engaged in these industries after the 9th April, 1881, will be confiscated and sold for the account of the National Treasury.

Government cruisers on the Coast of Patagonia will ensure the execution of the decree, and the diplomatic and consular agents of the Republic will procure the seizure in foreign ports of any cargo which may escape the surveillance of the cruisers.

Admiralty, 28th December, 1880.

Surgeon William Henry Colahan, M.D., has been promoted to the rank of Staff Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of this date.

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

Engineer William Willson Webber has this day been placed on the Retired List.

Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers.
Bristol Brigade.

Charles Thomas and Mark Whitwill, Esqrs., to be Honorary Lieutenants. Dated 28th December, 1880.

Admiralty, 30th December, 1880.

The Reverend Arthur Price Hill, B.A., has been appointed Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 14th December, 1880.

The following promotion has been made for services in connection with the suppression of the Slave Trade at Zanzibar, viz. :—

Sub-Lieutenant Charles Stewart Smith to be Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 29th instant.

War Office, Pall Mall,
31st December, 1880.

2nd Life Guards, Surgeon Percy G. R. Young, from the Medical Department, to be Surgeon, vice H. F. Hensman, promoted into the 1st Life Guards. Dated 13th October, 1880.

5th Dragoon Guards, Second Lieutenant Henry Short to be Adjutant, vice Lieutenant A. Baldrey, promoted. Dated 1st January, 1881.

2nd Dragoons, The promotion to the rank of Lieutenant of Second Lieutenant Fitzroy C. Fletcher, dated 10th November, 1880, is cancelled.

Second Lieutenant Fitzroy C. Fletcher to be Lieutenant, vice J. C. Hamilton, deceased. Dated 8th November, 1880.

Second Lieutenant Henry J. Scobell to be Lieutenant, vice C. F. Watkins, resigned. Dated 10th November, 1880.