time to time, if you shall judge it expedient so | to be Governor of Her Majesty's territory on and to do.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any three or more of you, your opinion upon the several matters herein submitted for your consideration. And for your assistance in the execution of these presents We have made choice of Our trusty and well-beloved Gilbert Redgrave, Esquire, to be Secretary to this Our Commission.

> Given at Our Court at Saint James's, the twenty-fifth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, in the forty-fifth year of Our reign.

> > By Her Majesty's command,

W. V. Harcourt.

Downing Street, August 24, 1881.

THE Queen has been pleased to issue a Commission under the Royal Sign Manual and Signet appointing the Governor, or the Officer Administering the Government of the Cape of Good Hope,

near the St. John's River, in South Africa, and providing for the government of that territory.

[Extract from the Dublin Gazette of August 23, 1881.

ELECTION OF A REPRESENTATIVE PEER FOR IRELAND.

Crown and Hanaper Office.

IN pursuance of an Act passed in the fortieth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Third, entitled "An Act to regulate the mode " by which the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and " the Commons, to serve in the Parliament of the " United Kingdom, on the part of Ireland, shall be " summoned and returned to the said Parliament," I do hereby give notice, that the Right Honourable Edward Nugent, Earl of Milltown, has been chosen, by a majority of votes, to be the Peer to sit in the House of Lords of the United Kingdom, in the room of Charles Francis Arnold, Earl of Wicklow, deceased.

Dated this 23rd day of August, 1881.

R. W. Arbuthnot Holmes, Clerk of the Crown and Hanaper.

## War Office, August 24, 1881.

THE Queen having been graciously pleased, by Warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 6th of August, 1881, to direct that the decoration of the Victoria Cross shall be conferred on Members of the Indian Ecclesiastical Establishments who may be qualified to receive the same, in accordance with the rules and ordinances made and ordained for the government thereof, provided that it be established in any case that the person was serving under the orders of a General or other Officer in command of Troops in the Field when he performed the act of bravery for which it is proposed to confer the decoration :-

Her Majesty has accordingly been pleased to signify Her intention to confer this high distinction on the undermentioned gentleman, whose claim to the same has been submitted for Her Majesty's approval on account of his conspicuous bravery in Afghanistan as recorded against his name, viz. :-

	Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
Bengal Ecclesiastical Establishment, late Chaplain to the Kabul Field Force	The Reverend J. W. Adams	During the action at Killa Kazi, on the 11th December, 1879, some men of the 9th Lancers having fallen, with their horses, into a wide and and deep "nullah" or ditch, and the enemy being close upon them, the Reverend J. W. Adams rushed into the water (which filled the ditch), dragged the horses from off the men upon whom they were lying, and extricated them, he being at the time under a heavy fire, and up to his waist in water.  At this time the Afghans were pressing on very rapidly, the leading men getting within a few yards of Mr. Adams, who having let go his horse in order to render more effectual assistance, had eventually to escape on foot.

(H. 6063.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department). Whitehall Gardens, August 25, 1881.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Notice which has recently been issued by the Norwegian Government with respect to quarantine, of which the following is a translation:

CIRCULAR relating to places infected with cholera and to the consignment of vessels with cholera patients on board to the Port of Christiansand.

> From the Royal Norwegian Department of Justice and Police.

The following foreign places shall, until further

notice, be considered as infected with cholera, viz. :- Fez, Meguinez, and Dar el Beida, in Morocco, and Uruguayana, in Brazil.

Vessels with cholera patients on board, and bound for Norwegian ports, shall be directed by the pilots to repair to the quarantine establishment at Christiansand. In other ports the masters of vessels will be required to keep their sick on

board and to remain meanwhile in quarantine.

The above is hereby communicated for the intormation of all concerned.

Christiania, August 9, 1881.

C. JENSEN, Councillor of State.

H. Hoff, Secretary.