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TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 1882.

Lord Chamberlain's Office, March 13, 1882.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the State Apartments of Windsor Castle will be open to the public on and after Monday next, the 20th instant.

Buckingham Palace, February 28, 1882.

THIS day had audience of Her Majesty:—

His Excellency Monsieur Challemel Lacour, Ambassador from the French Republic, to deliver his Letter of Recall.

To which audience he was introduced by Earl Granville, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Downing Street, March 13, 1882.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct that Letters Patent be issued under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom for the annexation to the Island of Jamaica of the Islands known as the Morant Cays and the Pedro Cays, of which Islands possession was taken on behalf of Her Majesty in the years 1862 and 1863.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 10th day of *March*, 1882.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 7th day of *March*, 1882, in the words following, viz.:—

“Whereas Your Majesty was graciously pleased by an Order in Council dated 10 November 1866, under the authority of ‘The Naval Savings Bank Act, 1866,’ to establish Naval Savings Banks on board Your Majesty's ships, and at the Head Quarters of the divisions of Royal Marines;

“And, whereas we are of opinion that it would be expedient, and for the benefit of Marines serving either at Head Quarters, or borne on the books of one of Your Majesty's ships, that the banks established at Head Quarters should be conducted under regulations similar to those in force at the banks in Your Majesty's Naval Establish-

ments on shore, as authorised by Your Majesty's Order in Council dated 2 March 1881, and subject to the same conditions, viz:—

“1. That the interest to be allowed to depositors in such banks be fixed at the rate of £2 10s. per cent. per annum compound interest for every complete pound deposited;

“2. That deposits be received in such banks, either by allotments, or remittances from pay, or by cash personally tendered, by depositors serving at Head Quarters, or borne on the books of any of your Majesty's ships and vessels.

“3. That the management of such banks be vested in the Divisional Paymasters, under the general superintendence of the Colonels-Commandant.

“We do therefore beg leave humbly to submit that Your Majesty will be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council, under the authority of the Act before quoted, to direct that we may be empowered to assimilate these banks to those established in Your Majesty's Naval Establishments on shore, under the conditions stated;—and further be authorized to issue from time to time such detailed regulations for carrying the same into effect as we may deem necessary.

“The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have, by their letter dated 22 February 1882, signified their concurrence herein.”

Her Majesty having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed. And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

C. L. Peel.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 27th day of *February*, 1882.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England have, in pursuance of the Act of the third and fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and thirteen, and of the Act of the seventeenth and eighteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter eighty-four duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a scheme, bearing date the twentieth-sixth day of *January*, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-