(6.) All such other matters as shall appear to you to relate to the administration, discipline, and condition of the said prisons, both local and convict.

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do, by these presents, give and grant unto you, or any three or more of you, full power and authority to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission, and also to call for, have access to, and examine all such books, documents, registers, and records as may afford the fullest information on the subject; and to inquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever:

And We do by these presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof, and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment:

And We further ordain that you, or any three or more of you, may have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient so 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 points 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 Alexander Burness McHardy, Esquire, Major in Our Corps of Royal Engineers, to be Secretary to this Our Commission, whose services and assistance We require you to use from time to time as occasion may require.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James*, the twenty-ninth day of December, one thousand eight-hundred and eighty-two, in the forty-sixth year of Our Reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,
W. V. Harcourt.

Whitehall, January 1, 1883.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal constituting and appointing the Right Honourable William Ewart Gladstone; the Right Honourable Hugh Culling Eardley Childers; Charles Cecil Cotes, Esq.; Herbert John Gladstone, Esq.; and Robert William Duff, Esq.; to be Commissioners for executing the offices of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland.

Whitehall, January 1, 1883.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal granting to the Right Honourable Hugh Culling Eardley Childers the offices of Chancellor and Under Treasurer of Her Majesty's Exchequer.

Education Department, Whitehall.
December 30, 1882.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the formation of a School Board in the undermentioned Parish:—

Walton-on-the-Hill... ... Lancaster

(C. 3139-1882.)
Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
January 1, 1883.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Ambassador at St. Petersburgh, transmitting the following translation of a recent decision of the Council of the Russian Empire, authorizing the free re-importation, under certain conditions, of 75 per cent. of the bags exported with grain or other merchandize from that country.

By an opinion of the Council of the Empire, confirmed on the 17th November, 1882, it is enacted that—

1st. All bags sent abroad with merchandize for export are liable on their return to the duty imposed on jute and linen bags.

2nd. The temporary free re-importation from abroad of all bags transmitted thither with merchandize for export is permitted upon the certificates of the Custom-houses until the 1st of August, 1883, provided that these bags shall be re-imported in the name of the person who exported the goods transmitted in them, through the same Custom-houses through which they were exported, and moreover in the course of one month from the date of their exportation, and also in quantity not exceeding 75 per cent. of the number of those exported.

(C. 3176-1882.)
Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
January 1, 1883.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a "Note Verbale" from the Turkish Government, prohibiting, until further notice, the importation of sporting guns and ammunition into the Vilayet of Yemen.

(H. 9816.)
Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, January 1, 1883.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's High Commissioner of Cyprus, intimating that, in consequence of contagious disease in the Red Sea, all vessels arriving in Cyprus from any port in the Red Sea with foul bills of health will have to proceed to the port of Larnaca, to undergo a quarantine of ten days, with such extension as may be deemed necessary, but that vessels with clean bills of health will be admitted to free pratique after a medical inspection.

Admiralty, 30th December, 1882.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 5th August, 1875, the undermentioned promotions have been made, with seniority of 31st December, 1882—

Captains:

Ralph Peter Cator,
The Honourable Walter Cecil Carpenter,
Theodore Morton Jones,

to be Rear-Admirals in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Consequent on the above, the following promotions have taken place on the Retired List from same date—

Captains:

William Henry Fenwick,
The Honourable Maurice Horatio Nelson,
George John Malcolm,
William Cox Chapman,
The Honourable Armar Lowry Corry,

to be Rear-Admirals on the Retired List.