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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1883.

Downing Street, September 19, 1883.

UNION OF THE SEPARATE PRESIDENCIES OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS.

IN virtue of an Act of the Governor and General Legislative Council of the Leeward Islands, No. 2, of 1882, the separate Presidencies of Saint Christopher and Nevis, consisting of the Islands of Saint Christopher, Nevis, and Anguilla, with their respective dependencies, now form one Presidency, called the Presidency of Saint Christopher and Nevis :

The Queen has therefore been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amending the Letters Patent bearing date the 2nd day of December, 1881, constituting the office of Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Leeward Islands, and for making provision for the government of the United Presidency of Saint Christopher and Nevis.

(H. 7122.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), Whitehall Gardens, September 20, 1883.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs information to the effect that vessels from Syria are now subjected to only twenty-four hours quarantine of observation in French ports.

(H. 7123.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), Whitehall Gardens, September 20, 1883.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Note from the Minister of the Netherlands in London, intimating that the Government of the Netherlands no longer consider Smyrna and the ports of Syria to be infected with cholera.

(H. 7133.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), Whitehall Gardens, September 21, 1883.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following Telegram from Her Majesty's Acting Consul-General at Odessa :—

"September 20. Quarantine for vessels with clean bills of health reduced to three days observation, counting from departure from Constantinople."

The Board have also received a Telegram from Her Majesty's Vice-Consul at Kertch, reporting a similar reduction of quarantine at that port.

Admiralty, 18th September, 1883.

Royal Marine Artillery.

Colonel Second Commandant George Brydges to be Colonel Commandant, vice Cox, promoted. Dated 3rd September, 1883.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel Sir Francis Worgan Festing, K.C.M.G., C.B., A.D.C., to be Colonel Second Commandant, vice Brydges. Dated 3rd September, 1883.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Colpoys Parkyns Heaslop, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Sir F. W. Festing. Dated 3rd September, 1883.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Mr. John Hoskyns Abrahall to be a Lieutenant. Dated 1st September, 1882.

War Office, Pall Mall,

21st September, 1883.

Royal Engineers, Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel Frederick Augustus Howes (late Madras) has been placed upon half-pay. Dated 1st August, 1883.

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Francis Blair (late Bengal) retires upon a pension and extra annuity, with the honorary rank of Colonel. Dated 22nd September, 1883.

Captain Altem Augustus William Beamish to be Major under the provisions of Articles 10 (b) and 32 of the Royal Warrant of 11th March, 1882. Dated 6th July, 1883.

War Office, 21st September, 1883.

MILITIA.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.

3rd Brigade, Cinque Ports Division, Captain Gerald Robert Spencer, Royal Artillery, to be Adjutant, in succession to Major D. W. Buckle, who resigns the appointment. Dated 5th September, 1883.

2nd Brigade, South Irish Division, Lieutenant John Craig to be Captain. Dated 22nd September, 1883.

INFANTRY.

4th Battalion, the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, Captain William Erskine Scott, 1st Battalion, to be Adjutant, in succession to Major J. R. Gibbs, 2nd Battalion whose term of service as Adjutant has expired. Dated 15th September, 1883.