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PASSPORTS FOR VENEZUELA. Foreign Office, August 9, 1884.

It is hereby notified that Earl Granville, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister Resident at Carácas, reporting the issue of a Decree by the Venezuelan Government, dated the 12th ultimo, to the effect that all persons passing from Venezuelan ports to the West India Islands, or from those Islands to Venezuela, as well as all persons who, on their way to Europe or the United States from Venezuela, or to Venezuela from Europe or the United States, shall touch at any of the West India Islands, must be provided with passports.

AT the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 11th day of August, 1884.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

It is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council that the Parliament be prorogued from Thursday, the fourteenth day of August instant, to Monday, the fifteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four; and that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of that part of the United Kingdom called Great Britain do cause a Commission to be prepared and issued in the usual manner for proroguing the Parliament accordingly.

T the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 11th day of August, 1884.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

T is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council, that the Convocations of the Provinces of Canterbury and York be prorogued from the day to which the same now stand prorogued to Tuesday, the sixteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four; and the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of that part of the United Kingdom called Great Britain is to cause Writs to be prepared and issued in the usual manner for proroguing the Convocations accordingly.

A T the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 11th day of August, 1884.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day Sir Thomas Erskine May, K.C.B, was. by Her Majesty's Command, sworn of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

A T the Court at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, the 11th day of August, 1884.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THIS day Admiral Sir Astley Cooper Key, G.C.B., was, by Her Majesty's Command, sworn of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

Privy Council Office, August 11, 1884.

OTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council by the Right Honourable the Earl of Jersey and others, and the Chancellor, Masters, and Scholars of the University of Oxford, praying for the grant of a Charter for the Incorporation of the President and Governors of the Radeliffe Infirmary, Oxford, and that Her Majesty having referred the said Petition to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, the same will be taken into consideration by their Lordships on the twenty-fifth day of September next.

Privy Council Office, August 11, 1884.

DOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been addressed to Her Majesty in Conneil by certain Inhabitant Householders of the District of the Mossley Local Board, in the counties of Lancaster, York, and Chester, praying that a Charter of Incorporation may be granted, whereby the powers and provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act may be extended to the Borough and the inhabitants thereof so incorporated; and notice is hereby further given, that the said petition will be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.