

Privy Council Office, August 11, 1884.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been addressed to Her Majesty in Council by Dr. Henry J. Littlejohn and others, praying that a CHARTER OF INCORPORATION may be granted to the Queen's College, Edinburgh, and that the Petition having been referred to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, the same will be taken into consideration on the twenty-fifth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four.

St. James's Palace, August 11, 1884.

THE Chapel Royal, St. James's Palace, will be closed after Sunday next, the 17th instant, until further orders.

EDGAR SHEPPARD, Sub-Dean.

*Chancery of the Order of
Saint Michael and Saint George,
Downing Street, August 9, 1884.*

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to make the following appointment to the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George:

To be an Ordinary Member of the Third Class or Companions of the said Most Distinguished Order:—

Captain Francis Durrant, of Her Majesty's ship "Canada," Governor to His Royal Highness Prince George of Wales.

Whitehall, August 11, 1884.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, granting the dignity of a Knight of the said United Kingdom unto Elliot Charles Bovill, Esq., Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Island of Cyprus.

Whitehall, August 11, 1884.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for presenting the Reverend Charles John Ridgeway, B.A., to the Vicarage of Christ Church, Lancaster Gate, in the county of Middlesex, and diocese of London, void by the promotion of Dr. William Boyd Carpenter to the Bishopric of Ripon.

(C. 2691.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
August 8, 1884.*

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at San José, Costa Rica, reporting that the Decree of the Government of that Republic, dated 22nd May, 1883, by which Port Limon was declared a free port for ten years, has, by a further Decree, dated 19th June last, been cancelled, it being left to the executive to make the necessary regulation for the customs and coastguards.

(H. 6401.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, August 12, 1884*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, viz.:—8th August. —The Porte informed Sandison yesterday that it has no objection to ships passing in transit from Black Sea into Mediterranean without detention at Kavak; that is also agrees to ships passing in transit to Black Sea from uncontaminated countries such as England and Malta. It declines assuming responsibility of allowing ships from contaminated countries, such as France and Italy, to pass without having undergone prescribed quarantine.

(H. 6423.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, August 12, 1884.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, viz.:—August 8. Cases of cholera having been reported from Italy, all ships having left the continent of Italy since the 27th ultimo are to be subject to same quarantine as arrivals from France. Departures previous to 27th to be in observation for five days. Arrivals from Sicily and Sardinia are for the present granted free pratique.

(H. 6471.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, August 12, 1884.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Circular issued by the Austrian Government, subjecting vessels which arrive at Austrian Ports from Tunis to a quarantine of observation of ten days if there has been no sickness during the voyage, and of twenty days if there has been sickness.

(H. 6472.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, August 12, 1884.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Madrid, containing intimation to the effect that all arrivals from Italian ports are placed on the same footing as arrivals from France, in consequence of which such arrivals must perform quarantine at a lazaret port, i.e., Port Mahon, Vigo, or Santander, the period in the case of arrivals from the provinces of Genoa and Porto Mauricio being ten days, and as regards others seven days; vessels on board of which cholera has declared itself to undergo fifteen days.

Admiralty, 9th August, 1884.

Assistant-Paymaster Charles Raxworthy has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 8th August, 1884.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February 1870—

Lieutenant Henry Edward O'Neill has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 3rd April, 1884.