cards to be delivered to the Lord Chamberlain, in order that there may be no difficulty in announcing them to His Royal Highness.

The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at half-past one o'clock.

KENMARE,

Lord Chamberlain.

A T the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 28th day of February, 1885.

By Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

PRESENT:

Lord President. Mr. Trevelyan.

THE Lords and others of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 and 1884, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. The landing of sheep, goats, and swine at a Foreign Animals Wharf under the provisions of Chapter II of The Foreign Animals Order of 1884 is subject to the following condition (namely),—

That the vessel in which they are imported has not, within one week before, nor at any time since, taking them on board, entered any port from which the landing of sheep, goats, and swine in England and Wales and Scotland is for the time being prohibited.

2. This Order shall commence and take effect from and immediately after the second day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

C. L. Peel.

(Swine-Fever.)

A T the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 2nd day of March, 1885.

By Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy
Council.

HE Lords and others of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in them vested under The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. The following Area (namely),—the whole of the hamlet of Wildhern, in the borough of Andover, in the county of Southampton,—which was declared by Order of Council dated the twenty-seventh day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, to be an Area infected with swine-fever, is hereby declared to be free from swine-fever, and that Area shall, as from the commencement of this Order, cease to be an Area infected with swine-fever.

2. This Order shall take effect from and immediately after the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

C. L. Peel.

India Office, February 25, 1885.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to nominate and appoint the Right Honourable Sir James Fergusson, Bart., K.C.M.G., C.I.E., Governor of the Presidency of Bombay, to be an Extra Knight Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India.

India Office, February 27, 1885.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable the Lord Reay to be Governor of the Presidency of Bombay.

St. James's Palace, March 3, 1885.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased, on the nomination of Lord Carrington, to appoint Honorary Colonel Arthur Allen Owen, retired pay, to be one of Her Majesty's Honourable Corps of Gentlemen at Arms, vice Major Richard George Ellison, appointed an Exon of the Yeomen of the Guard.

Foreign Office, February 14, 1885.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint David Boyle Blair, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul for the Territories adjacent to the Oil Rivers.

(C. 883.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,

March 2, 1885.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Berlin, dated the 21st ultimo, reporting as to the proceedings of the German Reichstag, with reference to the Bill now before it for altering the Customs tariff of the Empire.

Sir E. Malet reports that (a) the duty of 3 marks per 100 kilos on wheat has been finally passed; (b) the duty on rye has been raised to 3 marks per 100 kilos; (c) the duty on barley has been fixed at 1 mark per 100 kilos; and (d) the existing duty on Indian corn is retained.

The Despatch further states that—"in the case of countries enjoying by treaty most-favoured-nation treatment, the practical application of the higher duties on rye has for the next two years been stopped by the provisions of the German and Spanish Commercial Treaty, and can therefore only be at present enforced against Russia and Denmark.

"Simultaneously with the second reading of the new corn duties, a law was passed, bearing date the 20th instant, empowering the Imperial Chancellor to issue a provisional measure, imposing the new duties at once in cases where the contracts for delivery were executed after the 15th January, 1885. A notice to this effect has already been published in the Gazette, and any consignments claiming to be admitted to Germany under the old duties will have to be accompanied by properly attested Consular certificates that the contracts for their delivery were signed before the aforesaid date.

"In the case of rye similar certificates will be required to prove that the country of origin was one entitling it to most-favoured-nation treatment."

(H. 1637.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),

Whitehall Gardens, March 3, 1885.

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 Constantinople, reporting that the existing quarantine restrictions on arrivals from the Mediterranean and Black Seas ports have been removed.