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

C. L. Peel.

THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES (ANIMALS) ACT, 1878.

THE Privy Council, under and in pursuance of The England Markets and Fairs (Swine-Fever) Temporary Order of July, 1885, and the Orders of Council amending and continuing the same, have granted the following Licences:

For holding Sales of Store Swine at-

Hereford-on 4th November, 1885, and on every subsequent Wednesday during the continuance of the said first-mentioned

Ross, Herefordshire-in the Stock Marketon 12th and 26th November, 1885.

Dorchester, Dorset-in the Borough Fair and Market Ground-on 11th, 18th, and 25th November, 1885.

For holding a Fair for the sale of Store Swine

Leominster, Herefordshire-on 9th November, 1885.

Agricultural Department, Privy Council Office, 4th November, 1885.

Foreign Office, October 16, 1885.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Lieutenant - Colonel Horatio Herbert Kitchener, R.E., to be Her Majesty's Commissioner for the Delimitation of the Territories of the Sultan of Zanzibar.

Foreign Office, October 27, 1885.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Captain Edward Law Durand to be Her Majesty's Assistant-Commissioner for the Delimitation of the Afghan Frontier between the Heri-Rud and the Oxus.

Whitehall, November 5, 1885.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal for appointing the Right Honourable Henry Edward, Earl of Ilchester to be Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the County of Dorset, in the room of Anthony, Earl of Shaftesbury, deceased.

> Board of Trude (Marine Department), Whitehall Gurdens, October 29, 1885.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs an Act of Congress relating to the Immigration of Persons under contract to perform Labour in the United States, of which the following is a copy :-

(Public-No. 52.)
An Act to prohibit the Importation and Migration of Foreigners and Aliens under contract or agreement to perform Labour in the United States, its Territories, and the District of Columbia.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this Act, it shall be unlawful for any person, company, partnership, or corporation, in any manner whatsoever, to prepay the transportation, or in any way assist or encourage the importation or migration of any alien or aliens, any

foreigner or foreigners, into the United States, its territories, or the district of Columbia, under contract or agreement, parol or special, express or implied, made previous to the importation or migration of such alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners, to perform labour or service of any kind in the United States, its territories, or the district of Columbia.

Sec. 2. That all contracts or agreements, express or implied, parol or special, which may hereafter be made by and between any person, company, partnership, or corporation, and any foreigner or foreigners, alien or aliens, to perform labour or service, or having reference to the performance of labour or service by any person in the United States, its territories, or the district of Columbia, previous to the migration or importation of the person or persons whose labour or service is contracted for into the United States, shall be utterly void and of no effect.

SEC. 3. That for every violation of any of the provisions of section 1 of this Act, the person, partnership, company, or corporation violating the same by knowingly assisting, encouraging, or soliciting the migration or importation of any alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners, into the United States, its territories, or the district of Columbia, to perform labour or service of any kind under contract or agreement, express or implied, parol or special, with such alien or aliens, foreigner or foreigners, previous to becoming residents or citizens of the United States, shall forfeit and pay for every such offence the sum of one thousand dollars, which may be sued for and recovered by the United States, or by any person who shall first bring his action therefor, including any such alien or foreigner who may be a party to any such contract or agreement, as debts of like amount are now recovered in the Circuit Courts of the United States, the proceeds to be paid into the Treasury of the United States, and separate suits may be brought for each alien or foreigner being a party to such contract or agreement aforesaid. And it shall be the duty of the District Attorney of the proper district to prosecute every such suit at the expense of the United States.

SEC. 4. That the master of any vessel who shall knowingly bring within the United States on any such vessel, and land, or permit to be landed, from any foreign port or place, any alien, labourer, mechanic, or artisan, who, previous to embarkation on such vessel, had entered into contract or agreement, parol or special, express or implied, to perform labour or service in the United States, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour, and, on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars for each and every such alien, labourer, mechanic, or artisan so brought as aforesaid, and may also be imprisoned for a term not exceeding six months.

Sec. 5. That nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to prevent any citizen or subject of any foreign country temporarily residing in the United States, either in private or official capacity, from engaging under contract, or otherwise, persons not residents or citizens of the United States to act as private secretaries, servants, or domestics, for such foreigner temporarily residing in the United States as aforesaid, nor shall this Act be so construed as to prevent any person or persons, partnership or corporation, from engaging under contract or agreement skilled workman in foreign countries to perform labour in the United States in or upon any new industry not at present established in the United States: Provided that skilled labour for that purpose cannot be other-