Parish Church of Saint Michael, Saint Albans, in the county of Hertford, and in the churchyard within five feet of the Infant School; and also in the rest of the churchyard, except as follows:—

(a.) In such walled graves as are now existing in the churchyard burials may be allowed on condition that every coffin buried therein be separately enclosed by stonework

or brickwork properly cemented.

(b.) In such earthen graves now existing in the churchyard as can be opened to the depth of five feet without exposing coffins or disturbing human remains, burials may be allowed of so many of the relations of those interred therein at the date of this Order as can be buried at or below that depth.

(c.) In such reserved grave spaces in the churchyard (as have never before been buried in, and, when opened, are free from water) burials may be allowed of so many members of the families to whom they may be allotted as can be buried at or below the depth of five feet.

C. L. Peel.

Privy Council Office, February 25, 1886.

OTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been addressed to Her Majesty in Council by certain Inhabitant Householders of the borough of Brackley, in the county of Northampton, praying that a Charter may be granted for extending to that borough the provisions of the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882; 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 ninth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

(Swine-Fever.)

A T the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 26th day of February, 1886.

By Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

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) Act, 1878, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

1. The following Areas (namely),—(1.) at Oxford, comprised within the following boundaries, that is to say, the Botley-road on the north, the Great Western Railway on the east, and the river Thames on the west and south to where it joins the railway; and (2.) at Oxford, comprised within the following boundaries, that is to say, the river Thames on the north, the Great Western Railway on the east, the Abingdon-road on the west, and the step ground ditch on the south,—which were declared by Order of Council dated the nineteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, to be Areas infected with swine-fever, are hereby declared to be free from swine-fever, and those Areas shall, as from the commencement of this Order, cease to be Areas infected with swine-fever.

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

C. L. Peel.

Foreign Office, February 25, 1886.

THE Earl of Rosebery, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received through Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris the following intimation from the French Minister for Foreign Affairs, respecting the opening to trade of the Port of Tamatave, in the Island of Madagascar:—

Extract.

"Je m'empresse de vous faire connaître que le Port de Tamatave est ouvert au commerce de toutes les nations comme il l'était antérieurement au conflit survenu entre la France and le Gouvernement Hoya. La seule différence consiste en ce que les droits de douane y seront sans doute acquittés provisoirement entre nos mains."

Translation.

I hasten to inform you that the Port of Tamatave is open to the commerce of all nations as it was before the conflict began between France and the Hova Government. The only difference consists in the fact that customs duties will no doubt be retained provisionally in our hands.

Downing Street, February 24, 1886.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint James Murray, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Fiji.

India Office, February 26, 1886.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Sir William Comer Petheram, Knt., Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature for the North-Western Provinces, to be Chief Justice of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William, in Bengal, on the resignation of Sir Richard Garth, Knt.

Whitehall, February 25, 1886.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Captain and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel Herbert Charles Chermside, C.B., C.M.G., R.E., Her Majesty's Royal licence and permission that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Order of the Osmanieh, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan, has been pleased to confer upon him, in recognition of his services whilst actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions in the service of His Highness as Governor-General of the Red Sea Littoral.

Crown Office, February 24, 1886.

MEMBERS returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Grantham.

John William Mellor, Esq., Q.C., Her Majesty's Judge Advocate-General.

February 25.

County of Somerset .- Southern Division.

The Right Honourable Frederick Edward Gould Lambart (commonly called Viscount Kilcoursie), Vice Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Household.