The Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, 1878 to 1886, and of every other power enabling them in this behalf, do hereby approve of the following part of the Port of Aberdeen as a Landing-Place for foreign animals not subject to slaughter or quarantine:

All that space in the parish of Saint Nicholas, in the Burgh of Aberdeen, situate at Pocra Jetty on the north side of the tidal harbour of Aberdeen, and including the whole of the said jetty, and comprehended within the following boundaries namely,—commencing at a point on the roadway of Pocra Quay thirty-six feet north-east of the extreme west end of Pocra Quay wall, thence in a south-westerly direction for a distance of seventy-two feet or thereabouts and bounded by a wooden fence, thence in a south-westerly direction for a distance of eighty-six feet or thereabouts and bounded by a wooden fence, thence in a north-westerly direction for a distance of one hundred and fifty-four feet or thereabouts along the edge of the wharf of the said jetty, thence in a north-easterly direction for a distance of thirtyone feet or thereabouts and bounded by a wooden fence, thence in an easterly direction for a distance of one hundred and fifty-four feet or thereabouts, and bounded by a wooden fence, thence in a south-easterly direction for a distance of one hundred and three feet or thereabouts and bounded by a wooden fence and six gates to the point on the roadway of Pocra Quay before mentioned; all which space is coloured pink on the plan of the said Landing-Place deposited for the purposes of this Order at the Privy Council Office, a copy of which is deposited at the office of the Town Clerk of the burgh of Aberdeen.

C. L. Peel.

## MADAGASCAR CLAIMS.

NOTICE.

Foreign Office, March 30, 1887.

THE following is a translation of a Note which has been received from the French Minister of Foreign Affairs by Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris respecting the manner in which persons, having claims for losses sustained by them during the war between France and Madagascar, will be allowed to support them before the Indemnity Commission:—

## "M. L'Ambassadeur,

"IN your Note of the 1st instant your Excellency was good enough to express a desire for information as to the manner in which British subjects who have suffered losses in Madagascar will be allowed to support their claims before the Commission charged with the distribution of the indemnity.

"I hasten to inform you of the Regulations which the Commission, acting under the authority conferred upon it, has thought fit to draw up for

its own guidance in this matter.

"It has decided that persons interested may furnish the Commissioner whose duty it is to report upon their claims with explanations, oral or written, and with such evidence as they may judge proper. The Commission is even prepared to allow them, if a special request to that effect is made, to be heard either in person or by deputy, but only to offer explanations or answer questions. It holds, on the contrary, that no arguments nor pleadings can be allowed before it."

Windsor Castle, March 25, 1887.

THE Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Thomas Martineau, Esq., Mayor of Birmingham.

## Foreign Office, March 3!, 1887.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Albany de Grenier de Fonblanque, Esq., now Her Majesty's Consul at New Orleans, to be Her Majesty's Consul for the States of Louisiuna, Arkansas, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida, to reside at New Orleans.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint James Hayes Sadler, Esq., now Her Majesty's Consul at Chicago, to be Her Majesty's Consul for the States of Illinois, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas, and Colorado, and for the Territories of Dakota, Montana, and Wyoming, to reside at Chicago.

Foreign Office, March 31, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. G. Gustav Nebendahl as Vice-Consul at Bristol for the German Empire.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Jorge Ancizar as Vice-Consul at Manchester for the Republic of Colombia.

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## Westminster, March 29, 1887.

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Act, 1887.

Drainage and Improvement of Lands Supplemental (Ireland) Act, 1887.

Barnet District Gas and Water Act, 1887. Skegness and Saint Leonards Tramway

Skegness and Saint Leonards Tramway (Abandonment) Act, 1887.

London Street Tramways (Extensions) Act, 1887.

Southend Local Board Act, 1887.

Edinburgh Improvement Act, 1887.

Rhymney Railway Act, 1887.

Clyde Navigation Act, 1887.

Manchester, Bury, Rochdale, and Oldham Steam Tramways Act, 1887.

Clerical, Medical, and General Life Assurance Act, 1887.

Edinburgh Chartered Accountants' Annuity, &c., Fund Act, 1887.

North Metropolitan Tramways Act, 1887.

City of London Ballot Act, 1887.

Stratford-upon-Avon, Towcester, and Midland Junction Railway Act, 1887.

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Board of Trade (Harbour Department),

London March 30, 1887.

London, March 30, 1887.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative