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By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

WHEREAS by "The Militia Act, 1882," it is amongst other things enacted that in case of imminent national danger or of great emergency it shall be lawful for Us by Proclamation the occasion having first been communicated to Parliament to order the Militia to be embodied and that it shall be lawful for Us by such Proclamation to order a Secretary of State from time to time to give and when given to revoke or vary such directions as may seem necessary or proper for embodying all or any part of the Militia :

And whereas the state of affairs in South Africa does in Our opinion constitute a case of great emergency within the meaning of the said Act and We have communicated the same to Parliament :

Now, therefore, We do hereby in pursuance of the said Act order Our Militia to be embodied and We do hereby order the Most Honourable Henry Charles Keith, Marquess of Lansdowne, K.G., one of Our Principal Secretaries of State from time to time to give and when given to revoke or vary such directions as may seem necessary or proper for embodying all or any part of Our Militia and that he do cause the same to be held in every respect ready to march as occasion shall require to such part or parts within Our United Kingdom as he shall judge proper.

Given at Our Court at *Balmoral*, this twenty-sixth day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and in the sixty-third year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

By the QUEEN.

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA, R.

WHEREAS by "The Reserve Forces Act, 1882," it is amongst other things enacted that in case of imminent national danger or of great emergency it shall be lawful for Us by Proclamation the occasion having first been communicated to Parliament to order that the Militia Reserve shall be called out on permanent service and by any such Proclamation to order a Secretary of State from time to time to give and when given to revoke or vary such directions as may seem necessary or proper for calling out the forces or

force mentioned in the Proclamation or all or any of the men belonging thereto :

And whereas the state of affairs in South Africa does in Our opinion constitute a case of great emergency within the meaning of the said Act, and We have communicated the same to Parliament :

Now therefore in pursuance of the said Act We do hereby order that Our Militia Reserve be called out on permanent service, and We do hereby order the Most Honourable Henry Charles Keith, Marquess of Lansdowne, K.G., one of Our Principal Secretaries of State from time to time to give and when given to revoke or vary such directions as may seem necessary or proper for calling out Our said Militia Reserve or all or any of the men belonging thereto and We do hereby require the men of the Militia Reserve so called out to attend at such places as may be respectively appointed by Our said Secretary of State and to serve as part of Our Army until their services shall be no longer required.

Given at Our Court at *Balmoral*, this twenty-sixth day of *October*, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and in the sixty-third year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

(F. & H. 14491.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, October 27, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Madrid, intimating that Santos, Brazil, has been declared foul.

(F. & H. 14497.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, October 27, 1899.

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 Montevideo, intimating that the following Quarantine Regulations are in force against arrivals from Paraguay, viz. :—

All ships coming from Paraguay will land their passengers at the lazaret of Flores Island for inspection and, if necessary, for the disinfection of luggage.

If the ship has been less than a fortnight on the voyage, the passengers will undergo ten days' quarantine, which will be reduced to five days if