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FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1854.

FOREIGN-OFFICE, December 24, 1853.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint John Bowring, Esq. now Her Majesty's Consul at Canton, to be Her Majesty's Plenipotentiary and Chief Superintendent of British Trade in China.

FOREIGN-OFFICE, January 7, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Don Antonio Arrom de Ayala as Consul at Sydney for Her Majesty the Queen of Spain.

FOREIGN-OFFICE, January 9, 1854.

It is hereby notified that the Right Honourable the Earl of Clarendon, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received from Lord Cowley, Her Majesty's Ambassador at the Court of His Majesty the Emperor of the French, a Despatch dated the 27th ultimo, enclosing therewith the copy of a Note from Monsieur Drouyn de Lhuys, French Minister for Foreign Affairs, dated the 24th ultimo, announcing that the blockade instituted by the French Government of the west coast of Africa, between the left bank of the Grand Lahoa and the right bank of the River Assinié (the existence of which was notified in the London Gazette of the 29th of November last), has been raised.

DOWNING-STREET, January 10, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint John Bowring, Esq. to be Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Colony of Hong-Kong and its Dependencies.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Willoughby Shortland, Esq. sometime President and Senior Member of the Council of the Island of Nevis, to be Lieutenant-Governor of the Island of Tobago.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Frederick Seymour, Esq. to be President and Senior Member of the Council of the Island of Nevis.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint William Robert Inglis, Esq. to be President of the Council of the Turks and Caicos Islands.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint George Cream, Esq. to be Surgeon and Medical Attendant of the Convict Settlement at Masserony, British Guiana.

DOWNING-STREET, January 10, 1854.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint the under-mentioned gentlemen to be Members of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Victoria, viz :—

Hugh Calling Eardley Childers, Esq.
 John Vesey Fitzgerald Foster, commonly called
 John Fitzgerald Leslie Foster, Esq.
 James Horatio Nelson Cassell, Esq.
 Andrew Clarke, Esq.
 William Henry Fancourt Mitchell, Esq.
 William Henry Wright, Esq.
 James Graham, Esq.
 William Highett, Esq.
 Dr. Andrew Aldcorn,
 Edward Stone Parker, Esq.,—and
 Andrew Halley Knight, Esq.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Lieutenant William Langdon, R. N., to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the colony of Van Diemen's Land.

Her Majesty has further been pleased to appoint David C. Smith, Esq. to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the Turks and Caicos Islands.

WHITEHALL, January 9, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to present the Honourable and Reverend Arthur Douglas, to the Rectory of Curry Mallet, in the county of Somerset, and diocese of Bath and Wells, the same being void by the death of the Reverend John Hayden Cardew.

WHITEHALL, January 6, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Eccles Shorrock Ashton, of Low Hill House, in the township of Over Darwen, in the parish of Blackburn, in the county palatine of Lancaster, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with an injunction contained in a codicil annexed to the last will and testament of his late uncle Eccles Shorrock, of Over Darwen aforesaid, deceased, henceforth take and use the surname of Shorrock only, instead of that of Ashton :

And also to command that the said royal concession and declaration be registered in the College of Arms, otherwise to be void and of none effect.