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DECLARATION.

IT is with deep regret that Her Majesty announces the failure of Her anxious and protracted endeavours to preserve for Her People and for Europe the blessings of peace.

The unprovoked aggression of the Emperor of Russia against the Sublime Porte has been persisted in with such disregard of consequences, that after the rejection by the Emperor of Russia of terms which the Emperor of Austria, the Emperor of the French, and the King of Prussia, as well as Her Majesty, considered just and equitable, Her Majesty is compelled by a sense of what is due to the honour of Her Crown, to the interests of Her People, and to the independence of the States of Europe, to come forward in defence of an Ally whose territory is invaded, and whose dignity and independence are assailed.

Her Majesty, in justification of the course she is about to pursue, refers to the transactions in which Her Majesty has been engaged.

The Emperor of Russia had some cause of complaint against the Sultan with reference to the settlement, which His Highness had sanctioned, of the conflicting claims of the Greek and Latin Churches to a portion of the Holy Places of Jerusalem and its neighbourhood. To the complaint of the Emperor of Russia on this head, justice was done; and Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople had the satisfaction of promoting an arrangement to which no exception was taken by the Russian Government.

But while the Russian Government repeatedly assured the Government of Her Majesty that the Mission of Prince Menchikoff to Constantinople was exclusively directed to the settlement of the question of the Holy Places at Jerusalem, Prince Menchikoff himself pressed upon the Porte other demands of a far more serious and important character, the nature of which he in the first instance endeavoured, as far as possible, to conceal from Her Majesty's Ambassador. And these demands, thus studiously concealed, affected not the privileges of the Greek Church at Jerusalem but the position of many millions of Turkish subjects in their relations to their Sovereign the Sultan.

These demands were rejected by the spontaneous decision of the Sublime Porte.

Two assurances had been given to Her Majesty; one, that the Mission of Prince Menchikoff only

regarded the Holy Places; the other, that his Mission would be of a conciliatory character.

In both respects Her Majesty's just expectations were disappointed.

Demands were made which, in the opinion of the Sultan, extended to the substitution of the Emperor of Russia's authority for his own, over a large portion of his subjects; and those demands were enforced by a threat; and when Her Majesty learnt that on announcing the termination of his Mission, Prince Menchikoff declared that the refusal of his demands would impose upon the Imperial Government the necessity of seeking a guarantee by its own power, Her Majesty thought proper that Her Fleet should leave Malta, and, in co-operation with that of His Majesty the Emperor of the French, take up its station in the neighbourhood of the Dardanelles.

So long as the negotiation bore an amicable character Her Majesty refrained from any demonstration of force. But when, in addition to the assemblage of large military forces on the frontier of Turkey, the Ambassador of Russia intimated that serious consequences would ensue from the refusal of the Sultan to comply with unwarrantable demands, Her Majesty deemed it right, in conjunction with the Emperor of the French, to give an unquestionable proof of Her determination to support the Sovereign rights of the Sultan.

The Russian Government has maintained that the determination of the Emperor to occupy the Principalities was taken in consequence of the advance of the Fleets of England and France. But the menace of invasion of the Turkish territory was conveyed in Count Nesselrode's Note to Rechid Pacha, of the ¹⁹ May, and re-stated in his Despatch to Baron Brunnow of the ²⁰ May, _{1 June}, which announced the determination of the Emperor of Russia to order his troops to occupy the Principalities if the Porte did not within a week comply with the demands of Russia.

The Despatch to Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, authorizing him in certain specified contingencies to send for the British Fleet, was dated the 31st May, and the order sent direct from England to Her Majesty's Admiral to proceed to the neighbourhood of the Dardanelles was dated the 2d of June.

The determination to occupy the Principalities was therefore taken before the orders for the advance of the combined squadrons were given.

The Sultan's Minister was informed that unless he signed within a week, and without the change of a word, the Note proposed to the Porte by Prince Menschikoff, on the eve of his departure from Constantinople, the Principalities of Moldavia and Wallachia would be occupied by Russian troops. The Sultan could not accede to so insulting a demand; but when the actual occupation of the Principalities took place, the Sultan did not, as he might have done in the exercise of his undoubted right, declare war, but addressed a Protest to his Allies.

Her Majesty, in conjunction with the Sovereigns of Austria, France, and Prussia, has made various attempts to meet any just demands of the Emperor of Russia without affecting the dignity and independence of the Sultan; and had it been the sole object of Russia to obtain security for the enjoyment by the Christian subjects of the Porte of their privileges and immunities, she would have found it in the offers that have been made by the Sultan. But as that security was not offered in the shape of a special and separate stipulation with Russia, it was rejected. Twice has this offer been made by the Sultan, and recommended by the Four Powers; once by a note originally prepared at Vienna, and subsequently modified by the Porte; once by the proposal of bases of negotiation agreed upon at Constantinople on the 31st of December, and approved at Vienna on the 13th of January, as offering to the two parties the means of arriving at an understanding in a becoming and honourable manner.

It is thus manifest that a right for Russia to interfere in the ordinary relations of Turkish subjects to their Sovereign, and not the happiness of Christian communities in Turkey, was the object sought for by the Russian Government; to such a demand the Sultan would not submit, and His Highness, in self-defence, declared war upon Russia, but Her Majesty nevertheless, in conjunction with Her Allies, has not ceased her endeavours to restore peace between the contending parties.

The time has however now arrived when the advice and remonstrances of the Four Powers having proved wholly ineffectual, and the military preparations of Russia becoming daily more extended, it is but too obvious that the Emperor of Russia has entered upon a course of policy which, if unchecked, must lead to the destruction of the Ottoman Empire.

In this conjuncture Her Majesty feels called upon by regard for an Ally, the integrity and independence of whose Empire have been recognized as essential to the peace of Europe, by the sympathies of Her people with right against wrong, by a desire to avert from Her dominions most injurious consequences, and to save Europe from the preponderance of a Power which has violated the faith of Treaties, and defies the opinion of the civilized world, to take up arms in conjunction with the Emperor of the French, for the defence of the Sultan.

Her Majesty is persuaded that in so acting She will have the cordial support of Her people; and that the pretext of zeal for the Christian religion will be used in vain to cover an aggression undertaken in disregard of its holy precepts, and of its pure and beneficent spirit.

Her Majesty humbly trusts that Her efforts will be successful, and that, by the blessing of Heaven, peace may be re-established on safe and solid foundations.

Westminster, March 28, 1854.

DECLARATION.

HER Majesty the Queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, having been compelled to take up arms in support of an Ally, is desirous of rendering the war as little onerous as possible to the Powers with whom she remains at peace.

To preserve the commerce of neutrals from all unnecessary obstruction, Her Majesty is willing for the present to waive a part of the belligerent rights appertaining to Her by the Law of Nations. It is impossible for Her Majesty to forego the exercise of Her right of seizing articles contraband of war, and of preventing neutrals from bearing the enemy's despatches, and She must maintain the right of a belligerent to prevent neutrals from breaking any effective blockade which may be established with an adequate force against the enemy's forts, harbours, or coasts.

But Her Majesty will waive the right of seizing enemy's property laden on board a neutral vessel, unless it be contraband of war.

It is not Her Majesty's intention to claim the confiscation of neutral property, not being contraband of war, found on board enemy's ships, and Her Majesty further declares, that being anxious to lessen as much as possible the evils of war, and to restrict its operations to the regularly organized forces of the Country, it is not Her present intention to issue letters of marque for the commissioning of privateers.

Westminster, March 28, 1854.

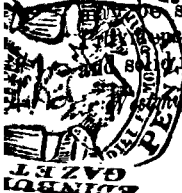
At the Court at Buckingham-Palace, the 29th day of March 1854,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HER Majesty having determined to afford active assistance to Her Ally, His Highness the Sultan of the Ottoman Empire, for the protection of his dominions against the encroachments and unprovoked aggression of His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of all the Russias, Her Majesty therefore is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that general reprisals be granted against the ships, vessels, and goods of the Emperor of all the Russias, and of his subjects or others inhabiting within any of his countries, territories, or dominions, so that Her Majesty's fleets and ships shall and may lawfully seize all ships, vessels, and goods belonging to the Emperor of all the Russias, or his subjects, or others inhabiting within any of his countries, territories, or dominions, and bring the same to judgment in such Courts of Admiralty within Her Majesty's dominions, possessions, or colonies, as shall be duly commissioned to take cognizance thereof. And to that end Her Majesty's Advocate-General, with the Advocate of Her Majesty in Her Office of Admiralty, are forthwith to prepare the Draft of a Commission, and present the same to Her Majesty at this Board, authorizing the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral to will and require the High Court of Admiralty of England, and the Lieutenant and Judge of the said Court, his Surrogate or Surrogates, as also the several Courts of Admiralty within Her Majesty's dominions, which shall be duly commissioned to take cognizance of, and judicially proceed upon, all and all manner of captures, seizures, prizes, and reprisals of all ships, vessels, and goods, that are or shall be taken, and to hear and determine the

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same; and, according to the course of Admiralty and the Law of Nations, to adjudge and condemn all such ships, vessels, and goods, as shall belong to the Emperor of all the Russias or his subjects, or to any others inhabiting within any of his countries, territories, or dominions; and they are likewise to prepare and lay before Her Majesty at this Board, a Draft of such Instructions as may be proper to be sent to the said several Courts of Admiralty in Her Majesty's dominions, possessions, and colonies, for their guidance herein.

From the Court at Buckingham-Palace, this twenty-ninth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four:

*Cranworth, C.
Granville, P.
Argyll, C. P. S.
Newcastle.
Breadalbane.
Lansdowne.
Abercorn.
Aberdeen.
Clarendon.
Drumlanrig. *etc.*
Mulgrave.
J. Russell.
Ernest Bruce.
Sydney Herbert.
J. R. G. Graham.
Stephen Lushington.
W. E. Gladstone.
William Molesworth.*

At the Court at Buckingham-Palace, the 29th day of March 1854,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

It is this day ordered by Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, that no ships or vessels belonging to any of Her Majesty's subjects, be permitted to enter and clear out for any of the ports of Russia, until further order; and Her Majesty is further pleased to order, that a general embargo or stop be made of all Russian ships and vessels whatsoever, now within or which shall hereafter come into any of the ports, harbours, or roads, within any of Her Majesty's dominions, together with all persons and effects on board the said ships or vessels: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to any ships or vessels specified or comprized in a certain Order of Her Majesty in Council, dated this twenty-ninth day of March, for exempting from capture or detention Russian vessels under special circumstances; and Her Majesty is pleased further to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the utmost care be taken for the preservation of all and every part of the cargoes on board any of the said ships or vessels, so that no damage or embezzlement whatever be sustained: and the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

C. C. GREVILLE.

At the Court at Buckingham-Palace, the 29th day of March 1854,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HER Majesty being compelled to declare War against His Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of all the Russias, and being desirous to lessen as

much as possible the evils thereof, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that Russian merchant vessels, in any ports or places within Her Majesty's dominions, shall be allowed until the tenth day of May next, six weeks from the date hereof, for loading their cargoes and departing from such ports or places; and that such Russian merchant vessels, if met at sea by any of Her Majesty's ships, shall be permitted to continue their voyage, if on examination of their papers it shall appear that their cargoes were taken on board before the expiration of the above term. Provided, that nothing herein contained shall extend, or be taken to extend, to Russian vessels having on board any officer in the Military or Naval Service of the enemy, or any article prohibited or contraband of war, or any despatch of or to the Russian Government.

And it is hereby further ordered by Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council as aforesaid, that any Russian merchant vessel which, prior to the date of this order, shall have sailed from any foreign port bound for any port or place in Her Majesty's dominions, shall be permitted to enter such port or place and to discharge her cargo, and afterwards forthwith to depart without molestation, and that any such vessel, if met at sea by any of Her Majesty's ships, shall be permitted to continue Her voyage to any port not blockaded.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, and the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, are to give the necessary directions herein as to them may respectively appertain.

C. C. GREVILLE.

By The QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION.

VICTORIA R.

WHEREAS by Our Order in Council, bearing date the twenty-ninth day of March one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, We have ordered that general reprisals be granted against the ships, goods, and subjects of the Emperor of all the Russias, his subjects, or others inhabiting within any of his countries, territories, or dominions (save and except any vessels to which Our license has been, or may be granted, or which have been directed to be released from the embargo, and have not since arrived at any Foreign Port), so that Our fleets and ships shall and may lawfully seize all ships, vessels, and goods belonging to the Emperor of all the Russias or his subjects, or others inhabiting within any of his countries, territories, or dominions, and bring the same to judgment in any of the Courts of Admiralty, within Our dominions, duly authorized and required to take cognizance thereof, We do hereby order and direct that the net produce of all such prizes taken by any of Our ships or vessels of war (save and except when they shall be acting on any conjunct expedition with Our Army, in which case We reserve to Ourselves the division and distribution of all prize and booty taken, and also, save and except as hereinafter mentioned), shall be for the entire benefit and encouragement of Our flag officers, captains, commanders, and other commissioned officers in Our pay; and of all subordinate warrant, petty, and non-commissioned officers, and of the seamen, marines, and soldiers on board Our said ships and vessels at the time of the capture, after the same shall have been to Us finally adjudged lawful prize.

Whenever any prize shall be taken by any of Our fleets, squadrons, ships, or vessels of war, whilst acting in conjunction with any fleet, squadron, ships, or vessels of war belonging to any other Power or Powers in alliance with Us, Our High Court of Admiralty, or the Vice-Admiralty Court within Our dominions adjudicating thereon, shall apportion to such Ally or Allies a share or shares of the proceeds of such prize or prizes, proportionate to the number of officers and men, &c., present and employed on the part of such Ally or Allies, as compared with the number of officers and men, &c., present and employed on Our behalf in such capture or captures, without reference to their respective ranks; and the share or shares so set apart for such Ally or Allies shall be transmitted to such persons as may be duly authorized on behalf of such Ally or Allies to receive the same.

Ships or vessels being in sight of the prize, as also of the captor, under circumstances to cause intimidation to the enemy and encouragement to the captor, shall be alone entitled to share as joint captors.

After having deducted the portion set apart as aforesaid for Our Allies, a distribution, so far as regards Her Majesty's Forces, shall be as follows:

The flag officer or officers shall have one-twentieth part of the whole net proceeds arising from prizes captured from the enemy, by any of the ships or vessels under his or their command, and of the rewards conferred for the same according to the following conditions and modifications, save and except as hereinafter provided and directed, that is to say:

When there is but one flag officer, he shall have the entire *one-twentieth part*; when two flag officers shall be sharing together, the chief shall have two-thirds, and the other flag officer shall have the remaining one-third of the one-twentieth part; and when there shall be more than two flag officers, the chief shall have one half of the said one-twentieth part and the remaining half shall be equally divided among the junior flag officers; commodores of the first class and captains of the fleet to share as flag officers: provided always that no flag officer, unless actually on board any of Our ships or vessels of war, and at the actual taking, sinking, burning, or otherwise destroying any ship or ships of war, privateer or privateers, belonging to the enemy, shall share in the distribution of any head money or bounty money granted as a reward for taking, sinking, burning, or otherwise destroying any such ship or vessel of the enemy.

That no flag officer commanding in any port in the United Kingdom shall share in the proceeds of any prize captured from the enemy, by any ship or vessel which shall sail from or leave such port by order of the Lord High Admiral, or of Our Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral.

That when ships or vessels under the command of several flag officers belonging to separate stations shall be joint captors, each flag officer shall receive a proportion of the one-twentieth part, according to the number of officers and men present under the command of each such flag officer; and when any ship or vessel under orders from the Lord High Admiral, or from Our Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, are joint captors with other ships or vessels, under a flag or flags, the like regulations as to the apportionment of the flag share to the flag officer or officers is to be observed.

With reference to flag officers, it is to be noted: that when an inferior flag officer is sent to rein-

force a superior officer on any station, the superior flag officer shall not share in any prize taken by the inferior flag officer before he has arrived within the limits of that station, unless the inferior officer shall have received some order directly from, and shall be acting in execution of some order issued by, such superior flag officer.

No chief flag officer quitting any station, except upon some definite urgent service, and with the intention of returning to the station as soon as such service is performed, shall share in any prize taken by Our ships or vessels left behind, after he has passed the limits of the station, or after he has surrendered the command to another flag officer appointed by the Admiralty to command in chief upon such station.

An inferior flag officer quitting any station (except when detached by orders from his commander-in-chief upon a special service, accompanied with orders to return to such station as soon as the service has been performed), shall have no share in prizes taken by the ships and vessels remaining on the station, after he has passed the limits thereof. In like manner, flag officers remaining on such station shall not share in the prizes taken by such inferior officer, or by ships or vessels under his immediate command, after he has quitted the limits of the station, except he has been detached as aforesaid.

A commander-in-chief or other flag officer belonging to any station shall not share in any prize or prizes taken out of the limits of that station by any ship or vessel under the command of a flag officer of any other station, or under orders from Our Commissioners of the Admiralty, unless such commander-in-chief or flag officer is expressly authorized by Our said Commissioners to take the command of that station in which the prize or prizes is or are taken, and shall, actually have taken upon him such command.

Every commodore having a captain under him shall be esteemed a flag officer with respect to the twentieth part of prizes taken, whether he be commanding in chief or serving under command.

The first captain to the admiral and commander-in-chief of Our fleet, and also the first captain to any flag officer appointed to command a fleet of ten ships of the line or upwards, shall be deemed to be a flag officer for the purpose of sharing in prize, and shall be entitled to share therein as the junior flag officer of such fleet.

Any officer on board any of Our ships of war at the time of capturing any prize or prizes, who shall have more commissions than one, shall be entitled only to share in such prize or prizes according to the share allotted to him by the above-mentioned distribution in respect to his superior commission or office.

And with reference to other officers it is to be noted:—that a captain, commander, or other commanding officer of a ship or vessel, shall be deemed to be under the command of a flag, when he shall have received some order from, or be acting in the execution of some order issued by, a flag officer, whether he be, or be not within the limits of the station of such flag officer; and in the event of his being directed to join a flag officer on any station he shall be deemed to be under the command of such flag officer from the time when he arrives within the limits of the station, which circumstance is always to be carefully noted in the log book; and it shall be considered that he continues under the flag officer of such station, until he shall have received some order directly from or be acting in the execution of some order issued by some other flag officer, duly authorized, or by the Lord High

Admiral, or Our Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral.

And We hereby direct, that the captain, commander, lieutenant commanding, master commanding, or any other officer duly commanding any ship, sloop, or vessel of war, singly taking any prize from the enemy, that is to say, the officer actually in command at the time, shall have one-eighth of the remainder, or if there is no flag, one-eighth of the entire net proceeds, except that if the single capturing ship be a rated ship, having a commander under the captain, the commander shall take a portion of the one-eighth part, as if he were commander of a sloop, according to the proportion hereinafter set forth; and if more than one commanding officer of the same rank of command shall be entitled to share as joint captors, the one-eighth shall be equally divided between them; but when captains, commanders, lieutenants commanding, and masters commanding respectively Our ships and vessels of war, and commanders under captains in rated ships shall share together in whatever variety of combination, the one-eighth shall be so divided into parts for a graduated apportionment as to provide for each captain receiving six parts; each commander of a sloop, or commander under a captain in a rated ship, three parts; and each lieutenant commanding or master commanding, or other officer actually commanding a small vessel of war, two parts; which We hereby direct shall be the proportion in which they shall respectively share; commodores of the second class and field officers of marines, or of land forces serving as marines, doing duty as field officers, above the rank of major, to share as captains; and field officers of marines, or of land forces serving as marines, and doing duty in the rank of major, to share as commander of sloops,

And we further direct, that after provision shall thus have been made for the flag share (if any) and for the portion of the commanding officer or officers, and others, as above specified, the remainder of the net proceeds shall be distributed in ten classes, so that each officer, man, and boy, composing the rest of the complements of Our ships, sloops, and vessels of war, and actually on board at the time of any such capture, and every person present and assisting, shall receive shares or a share according to his class, as set forth in the following scale:

First Class.—Master of the fleet, inspector of steam machinery afloat, when embarked with a fleet, medical inspector, or deputy medical inspector, when embarked with a fleet:—Forty-five shares each.

Second Class.—Senior lieutenants of a rated ship not bearing a commander, under the captain, secretary to the admiral of the fleet or admiral commanding in chief:—Thirty-five shares each.

Third Class.—Sea lieutenant, master, captain of marines, of marine artillery, or of land forces doing duty as marines, whether having higher brevet rank or not, secretary to an admiral, or to a commodore of the first class, not commanding in chief, chief engineer:—Twenty-eight shares each.

Fourth Class.—Lieutenant or quartermaster of marines, lieutenant of marine artillery, lieutenant, quartermaster, or ensign, of land forces doing duty as marines, secretary to a commodore of the second class, chaplain, surgeon, paymaster, naval instructor, mate, assistant-surgeon, second master, clerk in charge, passed clerk, assistant engineer, gunner, boatswain, carpenter:—Eighteen shares each.

Fifth Class.—Midshipman, master's assistant pilot, clerk (not passed), master-at-arms, chief gun-

ner's mate, chief boatswain's mate, chief carpenter's mate, chief captain of the fore-castle, admiral's coxswain, chief quartermaster, seaman's schoolmaster, ship's steward, ship's cook:—Ten shares each.

Sixth Class.—Naval cadets, clerk's assistant, captain's coxswain, ship's corporal, quartermaster, gunner's mate, boatswain's mate, captain of the fore-castle, captain of the afterguard, captain of the hold, captain of the maintop, captain of the foretop, coxswain of the launch, sailmaker, ropemaker, caulker, leading stoker, blacksmith, serjeant of marines, of marine artillery, or of land forces doing duty as marines:—Nine shares each.

Seventh Class.—Captain of the mast, captain of the mizentop, yeoman of the signals, coxswain of the barge, coxswain of the pinnace, coxswain of the cutter, second captain of the fore-castle, second captain of the maintop, second captain of the foretop, second captain of the afterguard, sailmaker's mate, caulker's mate, musician, cooper, armourer, corporal of marines, or of land forces doing duty as marines, bombardier of marine artillery, head krooman:—Six shares each.

Eighth Class.—Leading seamen, shipwright, second captain of the hold, able seaman, carpenter's crew, sailmaker's crew, cooper's crew, armourer's crew, yeoman of the store-rooms, steward's assistant, ordinary seaman, blacksmith's mate, private and fifer of marines, or of land forces doing duty as marines, gunner of marine artillery, painter, stoker, coal trimmer, second head krooman, sick berth attendant, bandsman, tailor, butcher:—Three shares each.

Ninth Class.—Cook's mate, ship's steward's boy, admiral's domestic, superintendent's domestic, admiral's steward and cook, captain's steward and cook, ward-room and gun-room steward and cook, subordinate officers' steward and cook, commander's servant, secretary's servant, second class ordinary seaman, assistant stoker, barber, boy of the first class, first and second class krooman, supernumeraries, except as hereinafter provided, persons borne merely as passengers, and not declining to render assistance on occasion of capture:—Two shares each.

Tenth Class.—Boy below first class:—One share.

All supernumeraries holding ranks in the service above the ranks or ratings specified in the fifth class of this Our Proclamation, who have been ordered to do duty in any of Our ships or vessels, by the Lord High Admiral, or by Our Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, by the senior officer of the fleet or squadron, or if none senior, then by the captain or commanding officer of the capturing ship or vessel, if not by special authority employed in higher capacities, shall share according to the rank which they respectively hold in the service; but in all cases to qualify them for so sharing, and not merely as supernumeraries in the ninth class, due notation of their being thus respectively ordered to do duty must have been made on the muster books.

And with respect to supernumeraries of ratings in the service, below the denominations of those specified in the fourth class of this Our Proclamation, and who at full victuals are engaged in the ordinary duties of the ship, it is Our will and pleasure that they shall always share according to the ratings which they bear in the service.

And in order that Our Royal intentions herein may be duly carried into effect, We further direct that when any capture is made from the enemy, the captains or commanding officers of Our ships or vessels of war making the same shall transmit,

or cause to be transmitted, as soon as may be, to the Secretary to the Admiralty, a true and perfect list of all the officers, seamen, and marines, soldiers and others who were actually on board on the occasion, accompanied by a separate list containing the names of those belonging to the crew who were absent on duty or otherwise at the time, specifying the cause of such absence, each list to contain the quality of the service of each person, together with the respective descriptions of men, taken from the description-book of the ship or vessel, and their several ratings, to be subscribed by the captain or commanding officer, and three or four more of the chief officers on board.

And when the list of those actually on board, and the separate list of persons absent, though belonging to the ship or vessel, shall have been verified, on examination with the muster-books lodged as official records, the Accountant-General of Our Navy shall, upon request, grant to the agent or agents nominated or appointed by the captors, a certificate that such lists are correct, or have been corrected, as occasion may require, in order that distribution of the prize or other proceeds may be duly made.

And in the event of difficulty arising with respect to any of the regulations hereby ordered, or if any case should occur not herein provided for, or not sufficiently provided for, We are pleased hereby to authorise the Lord High Admiral, or Our Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the time being, to issue such directions thereupon as may appear just and expedient, which directions shall have the same force and effect as if specially provided for in this Our Royal Proclamation.

Given at Our Court at Buckingham Palace, this twenty-ninth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, and in the seventeenth year of Our reign.

GOD save the QUEEN.

WHITEHALL, March 27, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to order a congé d'elire to the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Salisbury, empowering them to elect a Bishop of that See, the same being void by the death of Doctor Edward Denison, late Bishop thereof; and Her Majesty has also been pleased to recommend to the said Dean and Chapter the Reverend Walter Kerr Hamilton, M. A., to be by them elected Bishop of the said See.

WHITEHALL, March 27, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto the Reverend George Henry Sacheverell Johnson, M. A., the Deanery of the Cathedral Church of Wells, void by the death of Doctor Richard Jenkyns.

DOWNING-STREET, March 27, 1854.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint James Mayer Grant, Esq. to be Treasurer for the Island of Saint Vincent.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
March 25, 1854.*

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Carthagena, report-

ing that the Government of New Granada have thrown open the coasting trade of that Country to Foreign Vessels.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
March 25, 1854.*

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Carthagena, reporting the imposition of the following tonnage dues upon Foreign vessels, viz. —

On every vessel not exceeding 100 tons, 4 reals for every Granadian ton.

On every vessel over 100 tons, 4 reals on each of the first hundred tons, and 2 reals on each ton exceeding that amount.

This duty will only be levied on Foreign vessels at the first port in New Granada at which they may touch.

*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
March 27, 1854.*

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Lisbon, reporting that the Board of Health at that place has declared all the Ports of England to be free from infection.

WHITEHALL, February 21, 1854.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Isaac Palmer Baker, of Ipswich, in the county of Suffolk, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

WHITEHALL, March 13, 1854.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Frederick Solly Gosling, of No. 1, Gray's Inn Square, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

The Lord Chancellor has also appointed Samuel Shaen, of Kennington Cross, Surrey, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

WHITEHALL, March 16, 1854.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Thomas Gregory, of No. 12, Clement's Inn, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

The Lord Chancellor has also appointed Joshua Jullian Allen, of No. 20, Bedford Row, Esquire, to be a London Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

WHITEHALL, March 20, 1854.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed William Galsworthy, of No. 2, Charlotte Row, Mansion House, City, Gentleman, to be a London Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery.

The Lord Chancellor has also appointed Edward Jago, of Plymouth, in the county of Devon, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

WHITEHALL, March 20, 1854.

The Lord Chancellor has also appointed Thomas Robinson, of Eccleshall, in the county of Stafford, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

WHITEHALL, March 21, 1854.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed James Warder, of Beaminster, in the county of Dorset, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

WHITEHALL, March 24, 1854.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Edward Brown Fiske, of Beccles, in the county of Suffolk, Gentleman, to be a Commissioner to administer Oaths in the High Court of Chancery in England.

WAR-OFFICE, March 28, 1854.

2d Regiment of Life Guards—Lieutenant Edward Ffolliott Wingfield to be Captain, by purchase, vice Tottenham, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

Cornet and Sub-Lieutenant the Honourable Charles Spencer Bateman Hanbury to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Wingfield. Dated 28th March 1854.

Cornet and Sub-Lieutenant the Honourable Thomas Hatton George Fermor to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Awty, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

1st Dragoon Guards—Captain Archibald Henry Plantagenet Stuart-Wortley, from the Cape Mounted Riflemen, to be Captain, vice Digby, appointed to the Grenadier Guards. Dated 28th March 1854.

8d Dragoon Guards—Charles John White, gent. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Allen, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

9th Light Dragoons—Major Charles John Foster, from the 16th Light Dragoons, to be Major, vice Allen, who exchanges. Dated 28th March 1854.

16th Light Dragoons—Major William Warner Allen, from the 9th Light Dragoons, to be Major, vice Foster, who exchanges. Dated 28th March 1854.

1st or Grenadier Regiment of Foot Guards—Captain John Almerus Digby, from the 1st Dragoon Guards, to be Lieutenant and Captain, vice Pole, appointed to the Cape Mounted Riflemen. Dated 28th March 1854.

1st Foot—Assistant-Surgeon Alfred Crocker, from the 55th Foot, to be Surgeon, vice Robertson, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

7th Foot—Ensign Edwyn Stanhope Jervois, from the 10th Foot, to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Keightley, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

John Phillipson Langham, gent. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Sunter, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

10th Foot—Home Purvis, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Jervois, promoted in the 7th Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

14th Foot—Brevet Major John Watson to be Major, without purchase, vice Tidy, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 28th March 1854.

Lieutenant David Thomas Armstrong to be Captain, without purchase, vice Watson. Dated 28th March 1854.

Ensign Gage Hall Dwyer to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Armstrong. Dated 28th March 1854.

Gentleman Cadet Edward William Saunders, from the Royal Military College, to be Ensign, without purchase, vice Dwyer. Dated 28th March 1854.

15th Foot—Lieutenant William Smith, from half-pay 31st Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Tilghman, appointed Paymaster of the Regiment. Dated 28th March 1854.

Ensign George Edward Hunter to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Smith, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

John Smyth, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Hunter. Dated 28th March 1854.

17th Foot—Assistant-Surgeon Walter Simpson, M.D., from the 66th Foot, to be Surgeon, vice Cruickshank, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

19th Foot—William Marshall Webb, gent. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Longmore, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

23d Foot—Assistant-Surgeon William Godfrey Watt to be Surgeon, vice Smith, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

William Cattell, gent. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Watt. Dated 28th March 1854.

35th Foot—Lieutenant Charles Miller Layton to be Captain, by purchase, vice Berkeley, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

Ensign Ranulph Charles Lee to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Layton. Dated 28th March 1854.

Albert John Revell, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Lee. Dated 28th March 1854.

41st Foot—Lieutenant Edwin Richards to be Captain, by purchase, vice the Honourable Richard Handcock, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

Ensign Edward Every to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Richards. Dated 28th March 1854.

42d Foot—William Alexander Davidson, M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Muir, promoted in the 33d Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

55th Foot—John James Norris, gent. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Crocker, promoted in the 1st Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

63d Foot—Staff-Surgeon of the Second Class Robert Lewins, M.D., to be Surgeon, vice Macdonell, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

William Wilson Mills, gent. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Lewins, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

65th Foot—Lieutenant Charles John Ewen to be Captain, by purchase, vice Anderson, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

Ensign Frederick Wemyss to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Ewen. Dated 28th March 1854.

Walter Higgin, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Wemyss. Dated 28th March 1854.

71st Foot—Assistant-Surgeon William Barrett, M.B., from the Staff, to be Surgeon, vice Carr, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

77th Foot—Assistant-Surgeon Christopher Macartney, M.B., to be Surgeon, vice Prendergast, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

Ormsby Bowen Miller, gent. to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Macartney. Dated 28th March 1854.

81st Foot—Major John Hamilton Stewart to be Lieutenant-Colonel, without purchase, vice Farrant, deceased. Dated 25th January 1854.

Captain Henry Edward Sorell to be Major, without purchase, vice Stewart. Dated 25th January 1854.

Lieutenant William Benjamin Browne to be Captain, without purchase, vice Sorell. Dated 25th January 1854.

Ensign Charles James Hughes to be Lieutenant, without purchase, vice Browne. Dated 25th January 1854.

86th Foot—Lieutenant John Jerome to be Captain, by purchase, vice Croker, who retires. Dated 28th March 1854.

Ensign Robert John Wallace to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Jerome. Dated 28th March 1854.

Francis Drewe Edwards, gent. to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Wallace. Dated 28th March 1854.

91st Foot—Assistant-Surgeon Miah William Murphy, from the 80th Foot, to be Surgeon, vice Jameson, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

97th Foot—Edward Malcolm Sinclair, M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Cay, appointed to the Coldstream Guards. Dated 28th March 1854.

Rifle Brigade—Assistant-Surgeon David Reid McKinnon, from the 78th Foot, to be Surgeon, vice Anderson, promoted on the Staff. Dated 28th March 1854.

Cape Mounted Riflemen—Lieutenant and Captain Charles Van Notten Pole, from the Grenadier Regiment of Foot Guards, to be Captain, vice Stuart-Wortley, appointed to the 1st Dragoon Guards. Dated 28th March 1854.

STAFF.

Brigadier-General William Lennox Lascelles Fitz-Gerald, Lord de Ros, Unattached, to be Deputy Quartermaster-General to the Forces proceeding on a particular service. Dated 21st February 1854.

Brigadier-General James Bucknall Bucknall Estcourt, Unattached, to be Deputy Adjutant-General to the Forces proceeding on a particular service. Dated 21st February 1854.

Major Thomas Holmes Tidy, from the 14th Foot, to be Deputy Adjutant-General at Jamaica, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Army, vice Farquharson, who resigns. Dated 28th March 1854.

UNATTACHED.

Brevet-Lieutenant-Colonel Peter Farquharson, Major on half-pay 65th Foot, late Deputy Adjutant-General at Jamaica, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, without purchase. Dated 28th March 1854.

HOSPITAL STAFF.

Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals John Hall, M.D., to be Inspector-General of Hospitals. Dated 28th March 1854.

To be Deputy Inspector-Generals of Hospitals.

Staff-Surgeon of the First Class William Henry Burrell, M.D. Dated 28th March 1854.

Staff-Surgeon of the First Class David Dumbreck, M.D. Dated 28th March 1854.

Staff-Surgeon of the First Class Thomas Atkinson, M.D. Dated 28th March 1854.

Staff-Surgeon of the First Class John Forrest, M.D. Dated 28th March 1854.

Staff-Surgeon of the First Class William Linton, M.D., vice Hall, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

To be Staff-Surgeons of the First Class.

Staff-Surgeon of the First Class Peter Robertson, M.D., from half-pay, vice Burrell, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon Alexander Sheriffe Macdonell, from the 63d Foot, vice Dumbreck, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon William Cruickshank, M.D., from the 17th Foot, vice Atkinson, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon George Gordon Robertson, M.D., from the 1st Foot, vice Forrest, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon Joseph Samuel Prendergast, M.D., from the 77th Foot, vice Linton, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon Thomas Ross Jameson, from the 91st Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon Robert Smith, from the 23d Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Staff-Surgeon of the Second Class Richard James O'Flaherty. Dated 28th March 1854.

Staff-Surgeon of the Second Class John Thomas Telfer. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon George Carr, from the 71st Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Surgeon Arthur Anderson, M.D., from the Rifle Brigade. Dated 28th March 1854.

Staff-Surgeon of the Second Class John Charles Graham Tice, M.D. Dated 28th March 1854.

To be Staff-Surgeons of the Second Class.

Assistant-Surgeon Alexander Forteath, M.D., from the 2d Dragoon Guards, vice Telfer, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon George Cunningham Meikleham, from the 51st Foot, vice O'Flaherty, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Robert Marshall Allen, from the 3d Dragoon Guards, vice Lewin, appointed to the 63d Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon George William Powell, from the 34th Foot, vice Tice, promoted. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Thomas Moore Sunter, M.B., from the 7th Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Vere Webb, from the 10th Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Charles Frederick Stephenson, from the 81st Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Samuel Smith, from the Ceylon Rifle Regiment. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon David Anderson, M.D., from the 9th Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Peter Mackey, M.D., from the 12th Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Hampden Hugh Massy, M.D., from the 4th Light Dragoons. Dated 28th March 1854.

Assistant-Surgeon Mark Stanley Todd, from the 86th Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

To be Assistant-Surgeon to the Forces.

Assistant-Surgeon Thomas O'Kearney Gordon, from the 76th Foot, vice Barrett, promoted in the 71st Foot. Dated 28th March 1854.

MEMORANDUM.

The Christian names of Brevet-Major Sterling Unattached, are Anthony *Covington*, and not Anthony *Cunningham*, as previously stated.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Middlesex.

2d or Edmonton Royal Rifle Regiment of Middlesex Militia.

Edward Pakenham Alderson, gent. to be First Lieutenant. Dated 9th March 1854.

Charles Ruddell Todd, gent. to be First Lieutenant, vice Coe, resigned. Dated 17th March 1854.

Nassau John Senior, gent. to be First Lieutenant. Dated 17th March 1854.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Nottingham.

Edward Thomas Coke, Esq. to be Deputy Lieutenant.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Buckingham.

Royal Bucks or King's Own Regiment of Militia.
Maurice Emmett, Esq. late Captain 48th Regiment, to be Captain. Dated 7th March 1854.
George Tyrwhitt Drake, gent. to be Lieutenant. Dated 17th March 1854.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Sussex,

Light Infantry Battalion of the Royal Sussex Militia.

Lieutenant Sir Percy Florence Shelley, Bart. to be Captain, vice Gage, promoted. Dated 23d March 1854.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Derby.

Derbyshire Militia.—1st Regiment.

To be Captains.

William Milnes, Esq. vice Hunter.
George Newdigate, Esq. vice Bateman,
John Wright, Esq. vice Cox.

To be Lieutenants.

John Jessop, gent. vice Emery.
John Radford, gent. vice Lambert.
John Woolnough, gent. vice Wragg.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Flint.

Royal Flintshire Militia.

Second Lieutenant Arthur Willoughby, Crewé Read to be First Lieutenant.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Surrey.

1st Regiment of the Royal Surrey Militia.

Arthur Chapman, Esq. to be Lieutenant.

3d Regiment of the Royal Surrey Militia.

Samuel Leo. Schuster, Esq. to be Lieutenant.
Andrew Green, Esq. to be Lieutenant.
William Bent, Esq. to be Lieutenant.

Commissions signed by Her Majesty's Commissioners of Lieutenancy for the City of London.

Regiment of Royal London Militia.

Lieutenant-Colonel Samuel Wilson to be Colonel, vice William Thompson, deceased. Dated 24th March 1854.

Lieutenant Christian William McNiell to be Captain, vice George Platt, retired. Dated 24th March 1854.

Lieutenant William Robertson to be Captain, vice Sir James Laurence Cotter, Bart. resigned. Dated 25th March 1854.

Thomas Joseph Jones, gent. to be Ensign. Dated 24th March 1854.

Edward Vere Jones, gent. to be Ensign. Dated 25th March 1854.

Alfred Augustus James, gent. to be Ensign. Dated 27th March 1854.

Murdoch William Pollard Robertson, gent. to be Ensign. Dated 27th March 1854.

BANKRUPTS

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

BANKRUPTCY DISMISSED AND ANNULLED.

John Corner Blacklock and Thomas Robinson, of Birmingham, Warwick, drapers.

BANKRUPTCIES AWARDED.

Henry Steel, of Norwich, tea dealer and grocer.
James Green, of Northampton, carpenter and builder.
William Wallen, the younger, of Lawrence Pountney Lane, London, architect, surveyor, and builder.
James Young Hulbert, of No. 2, New Court, Bow Lane, London, and of No. 3, Upper Grange Walk, Bermondsey, Surrey, account-book manufacturer and dealer in parchment.
Henry Malcolm Ramsay, of Elgin Crescent, Kensington Park, Middlesex, builder.
Thomas Radford, of No. 26, Noble Street, London, and of No. 9, High Street, Manchester, warehouseman and agent.
Charles Barnett Gibbs, of Eccleshall, Stafford, grocer.
Robert Robson and John Thomas Robson, of Derby, silk manufacturers and silk throwsters.
William Turner, of Crewkerne, Somerset, currier.
John Frederick Thynne, of Tavistock, Devon, dealer in musical instruments.
William Ormerod Bradshaw, of Bolton-le-moors, Lancaster, builder and timber merchant.

NOTICE is hereby Given to the Heirs of Entail and Others entitled to succeed to the Estate of LARBERT and Others, in the County of Stirling, and to the TRUSTEES of Sir GILBERT STIRLING of Mansfield, Baronet, deceased, and Others, interested in the said Entailed Estate, held in Trust by the said Trustees. The Heirs of Entail entitled to succeed to the said Entailed Estate of Larbert and Others, so held in Trust by virtue of a Trust-Disposition and Deed of Settlement and Entail, and by a Supplementary Trust-Disposition and Settlement and Codicils, by the said Sir Gilbert Stirling, Baronet, and the said Trustees, and all other parties having interest, or concerned by themselves and others in the said Entailed Estate and others, are hereby required to appear before the Honourable Lord Cockburn, and the Honourable Lord Deas, two of the Judges of the Court of Session in Scotland, within Lord Cockburn's Chambers, 2, Manor Place, on Wednesday the 26th day of April next, 1854, at 12 o'clock noon, when they will be heard for their interests, and the interests of those for whom they may appear, in the matter of a PETITION presented to the House of Lords in the present Session of Parliament by Sir William Gibson-Craig of Riccarton, Baronet; Thomas Mansfield, Esquire, Accountant in Edinburgh; Alexander Mackenzie, Esquire, younger of Muirton; Thomas Dundas, Esquire, of Carronhall; and Rear-Admiral Houston Stewart of the Gart, Trustees of the late Sir Gilbert Stirling, Baronet, for themselves, and for Sir Michael Bruce of Stenhouse, Baronet, also a Trustee of the said Sir Gilbert Stirling, Baronet, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Trustees to effect the purposes mentioned in the said Petition: Which Petition was, by order of reference, dated the 16th day of March 1854, referred by the House of Lords to the said Judges, with power to summon all parties before them who may be concerned in the said Bill, and to report the state of the case, with their opinion thereupon.

Dated at Edinburgh, this 28th day of March 1854.

W. & J. H. MACKENZIE, W.S., Edinburgh.
RICHARDSON, LOCH, & MACLAURIN,
Fludyer Street, Westminster.

THE Estates of JAMES LIDDELL, Warehouseman in Glasgow, and sometime a Partner of the late Firm of **JAMES LIDDELL & COMPANY**, Warehousemen and Commission Agents in Glasgow, were sequestrated on the 29th day of March 1854.

The first deliverance is dated the 29th day of March 1854.

The Lord Ordinary, on the same day, nominated and appointed John Fleming, Accountant in Glasgow, Interim Factor on the estate.

The meeting to elect the Trustee, or Trustees in succession and Commissioners, is to be held within the Globe Hotel, George Square, Glasgow, on Tuesday the 11th day of April next, 1854, at two o'clock afternoon.

To entitle Creditors to the first dividend, their oaths and grounds of debt must be lodged on or before the 29th day of July next 1854.

The Lord Ordinary, in awarding sequestration, granted Warrant of Protection to the said James Liddell against Arrest or Imprisonment for Civil Debt, until the meeting of Creditors for the election of a Trustee.

All future Advertisements relating to this sequestration will be published in the Edinburgh Gazette alone.

JAMES TOP, W.S., Agent,
55, Great King Street, Edinburgh.

NOTICE.

A Petition for Recall of the Sequestration of the Estates of **WALTER MERCER**, presently residing at Stow, and carrying on Business as a Woollen Manufacturer at Allar's Mill, near Jedburgh, under the Name or Firm of **WALTER MERCER & COMPANY**, of which Firm he is the sole Partner, granted on 17th February last, has been presented at the instance of **JOHN TAYLOR**, Assistant Manager, and one of the Principal Registered Officers of the Western Bank of Scotland, in terms of the Statute, this 29th day of March 1854.

SMITH & KINNEAR, W. S., Agents,
Chambers, 35, Queen Street.

SEQUESTRATION of ROBERT WILSON, Calenderer in Glasgow, as an Individual, and as a Partner of the Firm of **WILSON & M'LEAN**, and **WILSON, M'CURRIE, & PATERSON**, Calenderers in Glasgow.

WILLIAM TOLMIE, Accountant in Glasgow, has been elected Trustee on the estate; and Thomas Johnston, Clothier in Glasgow, James Brown, Wright in Glasgow, and Murray Cowbrough, Manufacturer in Glasgow, have been elected Commissioners. The examination of the Bankrupt will take place in the Sheriff-Court-House, Glasgow, on Friday the 7th day of April next, at 12 o'clock noon. The Creditors will meet in the Office of John Clark, Writer, 146, Buchanan Street, Glasgow, on Monday the 17th day of April next, at 11 o'clock forenoon. **WM. TOLMIE**, Trustee.

Glasgow, March 30, 1854.

SEQUESTRATION of JOHN M'DONELL, Draper in Baillieston, in the County of Lanark.

ALEXANDER WYLIE, Accountant in Glasgow, has been elected Trustee on the said estate; and John Smith, Draper there, Robert Scobie, Accountant there, and James Boyd, Merchant there, have been elected Commissioners. The examination of the Bankrupt will take place in the Sheriff-Court-House, Glasgow, on Tuesday the 11th day of April next, at 12 o'clock noon. The Creditors will meet in the Office of John Clark, Writer, 146, Buchanan Street, Glasgow, on Thursday the 20th day of April next, at 11 o'clock forenoon.

ALEXANDER WYLIE, Trustee.

Glasgow, March 30, 1854.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

The Sequestrated Estate of **WILLIAM SCOTT**, sometime Mason, Artificer, and Bridge Contractor at Hardmanor, on the Farm of Cote, in the Parish of Eskdalemuir, thereafter abroad, now deceased.

A Meeting of the Creditors on the said sequestrated estate will be held in the Office of Robert Anderson, Writer, Hawick, on Monday the 17th day of April next, at 12 o'clock noon, to elect a new Trustee, in room of Walter Laing, Farmer and Quartermaster at Denholmhill, the former Trustee, now deceased; and a new Commissioner, in room of George Oliver, sometime Mason at Steelhouse or Dovemount, at Hawick, also deceased, in terms of the Interlocutor of the Lord Ordinary.

JOHN RONALD, S.S.C., Agent,
12, Walker Street.

Edinburgh, March 29, 1854.

SEQUESTRATION of R. C. LAMB & CO., Commission Agents, Manufacturers, and Drysalers, Leith Walk, near Edinburgh, and of Richard Crichton Lamb, residing in Leith Walk, Edinburgh, and Alexander Tingman, residing at Leith, the Individual Partners of that Company.

MR FRANCIS FARQUHARSON, Confectioner in Edinburgh, and Mr Alexander Rogers, Wood-Merchant, Leith, two of the Commissioners on the said sequestrated estate having disposed of their claims as Creditors ranked on the estate, and thereby become incapacitated for the office, in terms of the 56th section of the Statute, the Trustee hereby intimates that a general meeting of the Creditors will be held within Messrs Dowells & Lyon's Rooms, No. 18, George Street, Edinburgh, on Monday the 10th day of April next, at two o'clock P.M., for the purpose of electing two Commissioners in room of the said Francis Farquharson and Alexander Rogers.

J. MURRAY, Jr., Trustee.

Edinburgh, March 31, 1854.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

WILLIAMSON & STARK, Wholesale Grocers in Glasgow, as a Company, and of Daniel Stark, Wholesale Grocer there, the only Individual Partner of that Company, as Partner thereof, and as an Individual.

JOHN FLEMING, Accountant in Glasgow, Trustee on the sequestrated estates of Williamson & Stark, and Daniel Stark, the only Individual Partner thereof, and as an Individual, hereby calls a meeting of the Creditors, in terms of the Statute, to be held within his Counting-House, 21, Saint Vincent Place, Glasgow, on Monday the 17th day of April 1854, at one o'clock P.M., for the election of a Commissioner on said sequestrated estates, in room of Henry Brock, Esquire, Manager of the Clydesdale Banking Company, now deceased.

JOHN FLEMING, Trustee.

Glasgow, March 30, 1854.

* NOTICE.

THE Commissioners on the sequestrated estate of **ROBERT GRIGOR**, Farmer at Milncroft of Brae-langwell, have directed me to call a general meeting of his Creditors to hold within the Black Isle Hotel, in Cromarty, on Saturday the 8th day of April next, at two o'clock afternoon, to consider an offer of composition which he has made of Four Shillings in the pound on all debts owing by him to his Creditors at and prior to his sequestration, payable in two equal moieties on the 1st of July next, and 1st of January 1855; and he proposed the Reverend Macadam Grigor, Free Minister of Kettle and Cults, and William Grigor in Cromarty, as sureties for payment of the same; he also undertook to pay the expenses of sequestration, including the remuneration to be allowed to me.

JOHN FRASER, Trustee

Cromarty, March 29, 1854.

NOTICE

TO THE CREDITORS OF

Mrs MARGARET FRASER, Lodging-House Keeper and Dealer in Railway Shares, Inverness.

WILLIAM R. GRANT, Solicitor, Inverness, Trustee upon the estate, hereby, with the consent of the Commissioners, calls a general meeting of the Creditors to be held within his Office, Castle, Inverness, on Monday the 10th day of April next, at one o'clock afternoon, for the purpose of receiving an offer of composition from the Bankrupt, and of deciding whether the same ought, or ought not to be entertained.

WM. R. GRANT.

Inverness, March 29, 1854.

SEQUESTRATION of J. & W. CRAWFORD, Wrights and Builders in Glasgow, and John Crawford and William Crawford, the Individual Partners of that Company, as Partners, and as Individuals.

THE Creditors will meet within the Writing-Chambers of G. & A. Young, Writers, 20, Buchanan Street, Glasgow, on Monday the 10th day of April ensuing, at one o'clock afternoon, to receive report from Trustee on present state of affairs of sequestration, and to give directions to the Trustee as to applying to the Lord Ordinary or the Sheriff to fix period for payment of first dividend.

WILLIAM MACLEAN, Trustee.

Glasgow, March 29, 1854.



NOTICE.

HENRY LAWRIE, Woollen Draper in Edinburgh, a Partner of the Firm of **LAWRIE & BAILLIE**, Woollen Drapers, Edinburgh, has presented a Petition to the Sheriff of Edinburgh, to be discharged of all debts and obligations contracted by him, either as an Individual, or as a Partner of the said Firm of Lawrie & Baillie, before the date of the sequestration of the estates of the said Lawrie & Baillie, and of the said Henry Lawrie and Robert Baillie, the Individual Partners; and the Sheriff of Edinburgh, by Interlocutor dated 30th March 1854, has appointed intimation thereof to be made in the Edinburgh Gazette; and intimation is hereby made in terms thereof, and of the Bankrupt Statutes.

M. MACGREGOR, Agent for Petitioner.
30, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh,
March 31, 1854.

INTIMATION is Hereby Given, that **JAMES M'NAB**, Teacher in Musselburgh, and Builder and Share Dealer there, has presented a Petition to the Lord Ordinary, with the requisite concurrence, craving his Lordship to discharge him of all debts and obligations contracted by him, or for which he was liable at and prior to the date of his sequestration; and that his Lordship, by Interlocutor dated 31st March 1854, appointed Intimation thereof to be made in the Edinburgh Gazette, in terms of the Statute.

JAMES LINDSAY, W.S.,
Agent for Petitioner.

Edinburgh, March 31, 1854.

SEQUESTRATION of **JAMES MEIN**, Cabinetmaker and Upholsterer, Kelso, now deceased.

JAMES STORMONTH DARLING, Banker, Kelso, Trustee on said estate, hereby calls a general meeting of the Creditors to be held within his Writing-Chambers in Kelso, on Monday 10th April ensuing, at 11 o'clock forenoon, to consider and direct as to the disposal of the remaining Heritable Subjects, and also as to the winding up of the estate.

JA. STORMONTH DARLING, Trustee.
Kelso, March 31, 1854.

SEQUESTRATION of **CHARLES WATT**, Hotel and Inn Keeper, Bridge of Allan.

JAMES COWBROUGH, Grocer in Stirling, Trustee on the sequestrated estate of Charles Watt, Hotel and Inn Keeper at Bridge of Allan, hereby intimates, that at the general meeting of Creditors held on the 27th day of March current, the Bankrupt made offer of a composition of Eight Shillings in the pound upon his debts as at the date of the sequestration of his estates; payable Four Shillings at four months, Two Shillings at eight months, and Two Shillings at twelve months, all from the date of his final discharge; and also to pay and provide for the expence attending the sequestration and the remuneration to the Trustee; and named Alexander Brown, Tackman of the Customs at the Bridge of Stirling, and John Forbes, Bookseller and Auctioneer in Stirling, as his security for payment of the same: That the Creditors present at said meeting having unanimously resolved that the offer and security should be entertained for consideration, the Trustee hereby calls another general meeting of the Creditors to be held within the Writing-Chambers of James Chrystal, Writer, Port Street, Stirling, on Wednesday the 19th day of April next, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of finally deciding on said offer and the security proposed.

JAMES COWBROUGH, Trustee.
Stirling, March 28, 1854.

NOTICE.

JOHN ANDERSON, Accountant in Glasgow, Trustee on the sequestrated estate of **JAMES TAYLOR**, Wright and Builder, Shuttle Street, Glasgow, hereby intimates, that an account of his intrusions with the funds of the estate, brought down to the 15th instant, and states of the funds recovered and of those outstanding as at the same date, have been made up by him and examined by the Commissioners on said estate, in terms of the Statute: That he has examined the claims of the several Creditors who have lodged their oaths and grounds of debt on or before the 15th instant, and made up lists of those Creditors entitled to be ranked on the funds of the estate. Farther, that an equalizing dividend will be paid to those Creditors who did not lodge their claims in sufficient time to admit of participation in the first dividend; and also a second dividend will be paid to all the Creditors whose claims have been

admitted in whole or in part, in terms of the Statute, at his Counting-house, No. 9, Prince's Square, Buchanan Street, Glasgow, on Monday the 15th day of May 1854.—Of all which Intimation is hereby made, in terms of the Statute.

JOHN ANDERSON, Trustee.

Glasgow, March 29, 1854.

JAMES JOBSON DICKSON, Accountant in Edinburgh, Trustee on the sequestrated estate of the Honourable **JAMES SINCLAIR**, residing at Morton Cottage, Portobello, hereby intimates, that the Commissioners have postponed declaring a dividend till next statutory period.

JAS. JOBSON DICKSON.

OUTSTANDING DEBTS, &c. FOR SALE.

There will be Sold by Public Roup, within the Office of **ROBERT KEMP**, Writer in Dumfries, upon Wednesday the 7th day of June next, at 12 o'Clock Noon,

THE following Debts and Effects belonging to the sequestrated estate of the late **JOHN NAPIER**, formerly of Mollance, Banker in Kirkcudbright, viz. —
1. One Share in the Kirkcudbright Library.
2. The Right and Interest of the Bankrupt's Creditors in and to a debt upon the Conversion Money of the Road Trust, in the parish of Balmaclellan.
3. The whole Outstanding Debts due to the sequestrated estate of the Bankrupt, by Bills or otherwise, conform to List thereof in the hands of the Trustee.

The Articles of Roup and List of Debts may be seen, and all information obtained, upon application to **Robert Kemp**, Writer in Dumfries, the Trustee on the said sequestrated estate.

ROBERT KEMP, Trustee.

Dumfries, March 29, 1854.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

MRS AGNES MACCALLUM or **AGNEW**, sometime Milliner and Dressmaker in Ayr, and now residing in Saint George's Road, Glasgow, having on the 25th March current executed a Trust-Disposition for behoof of her Creditors, all Parties having Claims against her are hereby requested to lodge verified statements thereof with the Subscribers, Factors for the Trustees, within one month from this date.

THOMSONS, RITCHIE, & CRAIG.

101, Miller Street,
Glasgow, March 30, 1854.

INSOLVENT DEBTOR.

To be heard at the Court-House at Lancaster Castle, in the County of Lancaster, on Saturday the 15th day of April 1854, at ten o'clock in the Morning precisely,

JOHN HECTOR MUNRO, formerly of Walsham-le-Willows, in the County of Suffolk; then of Old Burlington Street, Piccadilly, Middlesex; then of Boulogne-sur-Mer, in the Kingdom of France; then of Old Burlington Street aforesaid; then of Moffat, North Britain; then of Hatchett's Hotel, Piccadilly aforesaid; then of the York Hotel, Waterloo Road, Surrey; then of Newmarket, in the County of Suffolk; then of Sunbury, afterwards of Stanwell, Middlesex aforesaid; then of the Vale of Festiniog, Carnarvonshire; then of Hunter Street, Brunswick Square, Middlesex aforesaid; then of Saint Albans, Hertfordshire; then of Hunter Street aforesaid; and late of Dale Street, Liverpool, in the County of Lancaster; never in any Business (sued as Hector Munro).

ABRAM ELLITHORN, Attorney for the Insolvent, Market Street, Lancaster.

Advertisement of the Day fixed for the sitting of the Court for making Final Order.

Under 5 and 6 Vict. c. 116, and 7 and 8 Vict. c. 96.

In the Matter of the Petition of

WILLIAM WANNOP, formerly of Scotby, in the Parish of Wetheral, in the County of Cumberland, carrying on Business as a Tanner, in Partnership with George Wannop, under the Firm of "W. & G. Wannop," then residing at the Scotch Arms in Ricker-gate, in the City of Carlisle, then in Princes Street, Botchergate, Carlisle aforesaid, then in Grey Street, Botchergate aforesaid, out of Business, afterwards at St Ninians, near Stirling, Scotland, and now at Penrith, in the County aforesaid, Foreman with the Executors of Robert Clarke, late of Penrith aforesaid, Tanner and Currier, deceased. Notice is hereby given, that the County Court of Cumberland, holden at Penrith, acting in the Matter of this Petition, will proceed to make a Final Order thereon, at the said Court, on Thursday the

20th day of April 1854, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon precisely, unless cause be then and there shown to the contrary.

RICHD. SHAW,
Clerk of the Court.

JOHN MILLER, Farmer, Pitfar, and at present incarcerated in the North Prison of Glasgow, has presented a Petition to the Sheriff of Lanarkshire, craving liberation, interim protection, and decree of Cessio Bonorum; and his Creditors are hereby required to attend within the Sheriff-Clerk's Office here, upon the 1st day of May next, at 12 o'clock noon, when the Petitioner will appear for examination.

A. STRATHERN, Petr's. Agent.
Glasgow, March 30, 1854.

Greenock, March 28, 1854.

THE Subscriber, John M. Stewart, ceased to be a Partner of the Firm of **ANDREW STEWART & COMPANY**, Merchants, Greenock, from and after the 31st day of August 1853.

JOHN M. STEWART,
by his Attorney, **HENRY ERSKINE**.
T. C. McPHERSON, Witness.
W. MILLIGAN, Witness.

THE Subscriber this day ceased to be a Partner of the Concern carried on by him and James Graham, Dealer in Greenock, as Rope and Rag Merchants and Dealers in Greenock.

HEW McILWRAITH, Witness.
ALLAN SWAN, Witness.
Greenock, March 24, 1854.

FRANCIS KEAN.

NOTICE

THE Company carrying on Business as Merchants and Commission Agents in Glasgow, under the Firm of **THOMSON & MACTAGGART**, of which the Subscribers are the sole Partners, has this day been **DISSOLVED** of mutual consent.

All Persons having claims against the Company, or the Subscribers, are requested to lodge their claims with Messrs MacEwan & Auld, Accountants, Glasgow, within one month from this date; and Persons indebted to the Company or the Subscribers, are requested to make payment to Messrs MacEwan & Auld, within the like period of one month.

THOMSON & MACTAGGART.
WM. THOMSON.
R. W. MACTAGGART.

ROB. KNOX, Writer, Glasgow, Witness.
WM. CAMPBELL, Clerk, Glasgow, Witness.
Glasgow, March 30, 1854.

Glasgow, January 29, 1853.

THE Business carried on in Kilmarnock, under the Firm of **CURDIE & ELLIOT**, Painters and Paper-Hangers, Carvers and Gilders, Oil and Colour Merchants; and the Business carried on in Ayr under the Firm **ARCHD. ELLIOT & CO.**, Painters and Paper-Hangers, Carvers and Gilders, Oil and Colour Merchants, were this day **DISSOLVED** by mutual consent of the said Partners.

JOHN CURDIE.
ARCHD. ELLIOT.

T. BECKET MERRY, Witness.
THOMAS BROWN, Witness.

NOTICE

THE Copartnership carried on by the Subscribers as Law Agents and Conveyancers, under the Firm of **GIBSONS & FRASER**, was **DISSOLVED** by mutual consent on the 30th day of April 1852.

J. GIBSON, Jr., W.S.
HENRY G. GIBSON, W.S.
WM. FRASER, S.S.C.

CHARLES OGILVY, Writer, 12, Charlotte Street,
Edinburgh, Witness.
WILLIAM GALLOWAY, Writer, 12, Charlotte Street,
Edinburgh, Witness.

Edinburgh, March 30, 1854.

Glasgow, March 28, 1854.

THE Subscriber retired from, and ceased to have any interest in the Business carried on under the Firm of **WILLIAM THOMSON & CO.**, Fleshers, 37, Candle-riggs Street, on the 1st day of September 1853, with mutual consent:

THOMAS HENDERBY.
ALEXANDER McCALLUM, Witness.
WILLIAM SCOTT, Witness.

NOTICE

32, St Enoch's Square, Glasgow,
March 27, 1854.

THE Copartnership carried on by the Subscribers, the sole Partners, as Commission Agents in Glasgow, under the Firm of **JAS. JAMIESON & COY.**, was **DISSOLVED** this day by mutual consent.

The Subscriber, Mr Ebenezer Brown, is authorised to uplift and pay all debts due to and by the said Firm.

JAMES JAMIESON.
EBEN. BROWN.

ALEXR. KAY, Writer, Glasgow, Witness.
ROBERT C. KERR, Clerk to Jas. Jamieson & Co.,
Witness.

N.B.—The Fees of all Notices must be paid in advance, and all Letters post-paid.

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