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FOREIGN OFFICE, November 14, 1862.

THE following Despatch has been addressed by Earl Russell to Earl Cowley, Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris :—

Foreign Office,  
November 13, 1862.

MY LORD,

THE Count de Flahault came to the Foreign Office by appointment, on Monday the 10th instant, and read to me a Despatch from M. Drouyn de Lhuys, relating to the Civil War in North America.

In this Despatch the Minister for Foreign Affairs states that Europe has followed with painful interest the struggle which has now been going on for more than a year on the American Continent. He does justice to the energy and perseverance which have been displayed by both sides, but he observes that these proofs of their courage have been given at the expense of innumerable calamities and immense bloodshed.

To these accompaniments of civil conflict is to be added the apprehension of a servile war, which would be the climax of so many irreparable misfortunes.

If these calamities affected America only, these sufferings of a friendly Nation would be enough to excite the anxiety and sympathy of the Emperor.

But Europe also has suffered in one of the principal branches of her industry, and her artisans have been subjected to the most cruel trials.

France and the Maritime Powers have during this struggle maintained the strictest neutrality; but the sentiments by which they are animated, far from imposing on them anything like indifference, seem, on the contrary, to require that they should assist the two belligerent parties in an endeavour to escape from a position which appears to have no issue.

The forces of the two sides have hitherto fought with balanced success, and the latest accounts do not show any prospect of a speedy termination of the war.

These circumstances, taken together, would seem to favour the adoption of measures which might bring about a truce.

The Emperor of the French, therefore, is of opinion that there is now an opportunity of offering to the belligerents the good offices of the Maritime

Powers. He therefore proposes to Her Majesty, as well as to the Emperor of Russia, that the Three Courts should endeavour, both at Washington and in communication with the Confederate States, to bring about a suspension of arms of six months, during which every act of hostility, direct or indirect, should cease, at sea as well as on land. This armistice might, if necessary, be renewed for a further period.

This proposal, M. Drouyn de Lhuys proceeds to say, would not imply on the part of the Three Powers any judgment on the origin of the war, or any pressure on the negotiations for peace which it is hoped would take place during the armistice. The Three Powers would only interfere to smooth obstacles, and only within limits which the two interested parties would prescribe.

The French Government is of opinion that even in the event of failure of immediate success, these overtures might be useful in turning the minds of men, now heated by passion, to consider the advantages of conciliation and of peace.

Such is, in substance, the proposal of the Government of the Emperor of the French, and I need hardly say that it has attracted the serious attention of Her Majesty's Government.

Her Majesty is desirous of acting in concurrence with France upon the great questions now agitating the world, and upon none more than on the contingencies connected with the great struggle now going on in North America. Neither Her Majesty the Queen nor the British Nation will ever forget the noble and emphatic manner in which the Emperor of the French vindicated the Law of Nations, and assisted the cause of peace in the instance of the seizure of the Confederate Commissioners on board the "Trent."

Her Majesty's Government recognise with pleasure, in the design of arresting the progress of war by friendly measures, the benevolent views and humane intentions of the Emperor.

They are also of opinion that if the steps proposed were to be taken, the concurrence of Russia would be extremely desirable.

Her Majesty's Government have, however, not been informed up to the present time that the Russian Government have agreed to co-operate with England and France on this occasion, although that Government may support the endeavours of England and France to attain the end proposed.

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But is the end proposed attainable at the present moment by the course suggested by the Government of France? Such is the question which has been anxiously and carefully examined by Her Majesty's Government.

After weighing all the information which has been received from America, Her Majesty's Government are led to the conclusion that there is no ground at the present moment to hope that the Federal Government would accept the proposal suggested, and a refusal from Washington at present would prevent any speedy renewal of the offer.

Her Majesty's Government think, therefore, that it would be better to watch carefully the progress of opinion in America, and if, as there appears reason to hope, it may be found to have undergone, or may undergo hereafter, any change, the Three Courts might then avail themselves of such change to offer their friendly counsel with a greater prospect than now exists of its being accepted by the two contending parties.

Her Majesty's Government will communicate to that of France any intelligence they may receive from Washington or Richmond bearing on this important subject.

Your Excellency may read this Despatch to Monsr. Drouyn de Lhuys, and give him a copy of it.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) RUSSELL.

WHITEHALL, November 13, 1862.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Staff-Assistant Surgeon James Joseph M'Carthy, M.D., Her Majesty's royal license and permission that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Legion of Honour of the Fifth Class, which His Majesty the Emperor of the French has been pleased to confer upon him, as a mark of His Imperial Majesty's approbation of his services while under fire, to the French soldiers wounded during the recent operations in China, and especially to the late Admiral Protet at the moment when he was mortally wounded.

FOREIGN OFFICE, November 5, 1862.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint William Lowther, Esq. now Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Berlin, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Embassy at Berlin.

DOWNING STREET, November 12, 1862.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Reginald John Corbet, Esq. to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the Island of Ceylon.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint the Venerable Archdeacon George Meade Gibbs, M.A., Joseph Henry Boon, Esq. M.D., and Thomas Berkeley Hardtman, Esq. to be Members of the Executive Council of the Island of Saint Christopher; Antonio Mathé, Esq. to be a Member of the Executive Council of the colony of British Honduras; and John Alexander Iles and George Webbe Daniell, Esquires, to be Members of the Executive Council of the Island of Nevis.

Her Majesty has further been pleased to appoint David William Gibbs, Esq. and the Reverend Clarke Augustus Newsam to be Members of the Council of the Island of Grenada.

DUBLIN CASTLE, November 7, 1862.

The Lord Lieutenant has been pleased to appoint Thomas William French, Esq. to be a Resident Magistrate for the County of Clare, pursuant to Act 6 Wm. IV., cap. 13.

THE Names of those who were nominated for Sheriffs by the Lords of the Council at the Exchequer on the Morrow of Saint Martin, in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of Queen Victoria, and in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two:—

ENGLAND

(Excepting Cornwall and Lancashire).

Bedfordshire,	Benjamin Helps Starey, of Milton Earnest, Esq. Robert Henry Lindsell, of Biggleswade, Esq. Lionel Ames, of East Hyde, Esq.
Berkshire,	James Blyth, of Woolhampton House, near Newbury, Esq. Richard Hall Say, of Oakley Court, near Windsor, Esq. William Banbury, of Prospect Hill, Esq.
Bucks,	Philips Cosby Lovett, of Liscombe House, Esq. The Honourable Percy Barrington of Westbury Manor. Nathaniel Grace Lambert of Denham Court, Esq.
Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire,	Denzil Onslow, of Great Staughton, Esq. David Veasey, of Castle Hill House, Huntingdon, Esq. The Honourable Octavius Duncombe, of Waresley.
Cheshire,	John Ralph Shaw, of Arrow Hall, Birkenhead, Esq. Sir Charles Watkin Shakerley, of Somerford Park, Bart. Wilbraham Spencer Tollemache, of Dorfold Hall, Esq.
Cumberland,	William Nicholson Hodgson, of Newby Grange, Carlisle, Esq. Thomas Brocklebank, of Greenlands, Esq. William Postlethwaite, of the Oaks, Esq.
Derbyshire,	Sir Henry Flower Every, of Eggington, Bart. Sir Henry Des Vœux, of Drake-low, Bart. Charles Robert Colville, of Lullington, Esq.
Devonshire,	Sir George Stueley Stueley, of Hartland Abbey, Bideford, Bart. The Honourable Mark George Kerr Rolle, of Stevenstone. Baldwin John Pollexfen Bastard, of Kitley, Esq.
Dorsetshire,	Charles Wriothlesley Digby, of Studland, Esq. George Whieldon, of Wyke House, Gillingham, Esq. John Brymer, of Melcombe Regis, Esq.

Durham,	John Richard Westgarth Hildyard, of Horsley, Esq. William Standish Carr Standish, of Cocken Hall, Esq. John Harrison Aylmer, of Walworth Castle, Esq.	Northamptonshire,	George Ashby Ashby, of Naseby, Esq. Alfred Rush, of Farthinghoe, Esq. Richard Aubrey Cartwright, of Edgcott, Esq.
Essex,	Sir William Bowyer Smijth, of Hill Hall, Epping, Bart. George Palmer, of Nazing, Esq. Sir Richard Digby Neave, of Dagenham Park, Dagenham, Bart.	Northumberland,	Watson Askew, of Pallinsburn, Esq. Charles Cuthbert Shafto, of Bavington Hall, Esq. H Ames, of Linden, Esq.
Gloucestershire,	Philip William Skynner Miles, of King's Weston, near Bristol, Esq. Goodwin Charles Colquitt Craven, of Brockhampton Park, near Cheltenham, Esq. Sir John Maxwell Steele Graves, of Mickleton Manor, near Broadway, Bart.	Nottinghamshire,	John Henry Manners Sutton, of Kelham, Esq. John Chaworth Musters, of Annesley, Esq. Sir Edward Samuel Walker, of Berry Hill, Knt.
Herefordshire,	William Bridgman, of Weston-under-Penyard, near Ross, Esq. Thomas Reaveley, of Kinnersley Castle, near Kingtown, Esq. Colonel Robert Fielden, of Dulas Court.	Oxfordshire,	Thomas Taylor, of Aston Rowant, Esq. George Glen, of Stratton Audley Park, Esq. Sir Henry William Dashwood, of Kirklington Park, Bart.
Hertfordshire,	Samuel Richard Block, of Greenhill Grove, Chipping Barnet, Esq. Money Wigram, of Much Hadham, Esq. Sir Astley Paston Cooper, of Gadebridge, Hemel Hempstead, Bart.	Rutland,	The Honourable Henry Lewis Noel, of Exton Park. Charles Ormston Eaton, of Tixover, Esq. William Gilford, of North Luffenham, Esq.
Kent,	Samuel Long, of Bromley Hill, Esq. George Field, of Ashurst, Hawkhurst, Esq. Henry St John Mildmay, of Otford, Esq.	Shropshire,	Thomas Charlton Whitmore, of Apley Park, Esq. David Francis Atcherley, of Marton Park, Esq. Francis Harries, of Cruckton, Esq.
Leicestershire,	John Martin, of Whatton House, Esq. Edwyn Burnaby, of Baggrave Hall, Esq. The Honourable Henry Littleton Powys Keck, of Stoughton.	Somersetshire,	George Treweeke Scobell, of Kingwell, Esq. Sir John Henry Greville Smyth, of Ashton Court, Bart. William Henry Powell Gore Langton, of Hache Park, Esq.
Lincolnshire,	George Charles Uppleby, of Barrow, Esq. Henry Robert Boucherett, of North Willingham, Esq. John Lewis Fytche, of Thorpe Hall, Esq.	County of Southampton,	Melville Portal, of Laverstoke House, Mitcheldever Station, Esq. James Winter Scott, of Rotherfield Park, Alton, Esq. Sir Archibald Keppel Macdonald, of Woolmer Lodge, Bart.
Monmouthshire,	Abraham Darby, of Ebbro Vale, near Newport, Esq. The Honourable James Fitz-Walter Clifford Butler, of Llantillio Crossenny, near Abergavenny. Henry Martyn Kennard, of Crumlin Hall, near Newport, Esq.	Staffordshire,	Ralph Thomas Adderley, of Barlaston, Esq. Thomas Bagnall, of West Bromwich, Esq. George Briscoe, of Wolverhampton, Esq.
Norfolk,	Joseph Stonehewer Scott Chad, of Thursford, Esq. Henry James Lee Warner, of Little Walsingham, Esq. William Henry Trafford, of Wroxham, Esq.	Suffolk,	John William Brooke, of Sibton Park, Esq. Sir George Nathaniel Broke Middleton, of Nacton, Bart. Francis Capper Brooke, of Ufford Place, Esq.
		Surrey,	Lewis Lloyd, of Monk's Orchard, near Croydon, Esq. Sir John Andrew Cathcart, of Cooper's Hill, Egham, Bart. Edward Hugh Leycester Penrhyn, of Last Sheen, Esq.

Sussex,	William Leyland Woods, of Chilgrove, Chichester, Esq. John Charles Fletcher, of Dale Park, Arundel, Esq. Herbert Mascall Curteis, of Windmill Hill, Wartling, Esq.	Denbighshire,	John Lloyd, of Rhagatt, Esq. Hugh Robert Hughes, of Kinnel Park, St Asaph, Esq. Boscawen Trevor Griffith, of Trevallyn Hall, Wrexham, Esq.
Warwickshire,	Charles Marriott Caldecott, of Holbrook Grange, Rugby, Esq. James Beech, of Brandon, Esq. Henry Townshend Boulton, of Springfield, Esq.	Flintshire,	Charles Butler Clough, of Llwyn Offa, Esq. William Barber Buddicom, of Penbedw Hall, Esq. Edmund Peel, of Bryn y pys, Esq.
Westmoreland,	William Wilson, of High Park, Esq. Matthew Thompson, of Kirkby Stephen, Esq. Arthur Sbepherd, of Shaw End, near Kendal, Esq.	Glamorganshire,	Theodore Mansel Talbot, of Margam Abbey, Esq. John Popkin Traherne, of Coytrabene, Esq. Robert Francis Lascelles Jenner, of Wenvoe Castle, Esq.
Wiltshire,	Thomas Fraser Grove, of Fern, Esq. John Lewis Phipps, of Leighton House, Westbury, Esq. Thomas Henry Allen Poynder, of Hartham Park, Esq.	Merionethshire,	Charles Ansell, of Glanrhaidr, Esq. Howel Morgan, of Hengwrtnchaf, Esq. Lewis Williams, of Vronwnion, Esq.
Worcestershire,	Richard Hemming, of Bentley Manor, Bromsgrove, Esq. Harry Foley Vernon, of Hanbury Hall, Esq. Harman Grisewood, of Daylesford House, Esq.	Montgomeryshire,	John Dugdale, of Llwyn, Esq. George William Gold, of Garthmyl Hall, Esq.
Yorkshire,	John Hope Barton, of Stapleton Park, near Pontefract, Esq. Frederick Charles Trench Gascoigne, of Parlington Hall, Esq. Francis Watt, of Bishop Burton Hall, Esq.	Pembrokeshire,	William Rees, of Scoveston, Esq. Thomas Harcourt Powell, of Hook, Esq. Thomas Henry Davis, of Clareston, Esq.
		Radnorshire,	John Williams Vaughan, of Velinnewydd House, Breconshire, Esq. Henry Thomas, of Pencerrig, Esq. Richard Green Price, of Norton Manor, Presteign, Esq.

## WALES.

## NORTH AND SOUTH.

Anglesey,	Robert Lloyd Jones Parry, of Tregaian, Esq. William Massey, of Cornelyn, Esq. The Honourable Henry Warrender Fitzmaurice, of Tregof.
Breconshire,	Thomas de Winton, of Cefn Cantreff, Esq. Sir Joseph Russell Bailey, of Glanusk Park, Bart. Howell Morgan, of Gilvach-yrhaid, Esq.
Cardiganshire,	Price Lewis, of Gwastod, near Lampeter, Esq. John George Parry Hughes, of Alltlnyd, Esq. John Lewes, of Llanlear, Esq.
Carmarthenshire,	Henry Lavallin Puxley, of Llwyndrusfy, Esq. Isaac Horton, of Ystrad, Esq. Sir James Williams Drummond, of Edwinsford, Bart.
Carnarvonshire,	John Platt, of Bryn-y-neuodd, Esq. Abram Jones Williams, of Gelliwig, Esq. Griffith Humphrey Owen, of Ymwlich, Esq.

*The Prince of Wales' Council Chamber,  
Buckingham Gate, November 4, 1862.*

The Names of those who have been nominated by the Council of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to serve the office of Sheriff of the county of Cornwall:—

John Michael Williams, of Caerhayes Castle, Esq.

Thomas Simon Bolitho, of Penalvern, Esq.

William Coulson, of Kenegie, Esq.

DUBLIN CASTLE, November 14, 1862.

NAMES of the Gentlemen returned by the Judges of Assize to serve the Office of High Sheriff for the ensuing year:—

Antrim County,	John Young, Esq. Galgorm Castle, Ballymena. William Coates, Esq. Glentoran, Belfast. John Francis Ferguson, Esq. D.L., Belfast.
Armagh County,	Major Henry Caulfield Hockley, Armagh. Captain John Blackiston Houston, Orangefield, Newtownbreda. Viscount Acheson, Gosford Castle, Markethill.

Carlow County,	John Frederick Lecky, Esq. Lenham Lodge, Carlow. Darby Herring Cooper, Esq. Hanover House, Carlow. William Bunbury M'Clintock Bunbury, Esq. Lisnevagh, Rathville, Baltin-glass.	Fermanagh County,	Charles Robert Barton, Esq. Waterfoot, Pettigo, Tyrone. Lord Crichton, Cran Castle, Newtownbutler. John Brady, Esq. Clones.
Carrickfergus Co. Town,	Arthur Borthwick, Esq. Pros-pect, Carrickfergus. James Walker, Esq. The Knockagh, Carrickfergus. William M'Ghee, Esq. Col-lege Square, North, Bel-fast.	Galway County,	Richard D'Arcy, Esq. New Forest, Kilkerrin. Richard M. St George, Esq. Headfort Castle, Headfort. John Archer Daly, Esq. Raford, Loughrea.
Cavan County,	Nathaniel Montgomery, Esq. Cullies, Cavan. John Edward Vernon, Esq. Erne Hill, Belturbet. Richard Coote, Esq. Bella-mont Forest, Cootehill.	Galway Town,	James O'Hara, Esq. Lenaboy, Galway. John Redington, Esq. Dan-gan, Galway. James Ryan, Esq. Merville, Galway.
Clare County,	Robert Wm. Studdert, Esq. Cullane, Newmarket-on-Fergus. William Butler, Junior, Esq. Buamahon, Crusheen. Richard Stackpoole, Junior, Esq. Edenvale, Ennis.	Kerry County,	Francis Chute, Esq. Chute Hall, Tralee. Sir Rowland Blennerhasset, Bart., Churchtown, Kil-larney. Robert Leslie, Esq. Tarbert House, Tarbert.
Cork County,	Thomas Somerville, Esq. Drishane, Skibbereen. James Morrogh, Esq. Old Court, Doneraile. Henry Lavallan Puxley, Esq. Dunbay Castle, Castletown, Berehaven.	Kildare County,	Frederick H. Henry, Esq. Lodge Park, Straffan. Thomas Fitzgerald, Esq. Geraldine, Athy. Nicholas J. Gannon, Esq. Larah, Kilcock.
Cork City,	James Murphy, Esq. Ring-mahon Castle, Cork. Daniel O'Sullivan, Esq. Syd-ney Place, Cork. Edmond John Goold, Esq. D.L., Belville.	Kilkenny County,	Laurence Waldron, Esq. M.P., Ballybrack, Dalkey. Sir Charles Cuffe, Bart., Lyrath, Kilkenny. Walter Sweetman, Esq. Annagh, New Ross.
Donegal County,	Alexr. C. Hector Stewart, Esq. Ards, Cashelmore. Viscount Sudley, Castlegrove. Thomas Norman, Esq. Glen-gollan House, Fahan.	Kilkenny City,	James Shearman Loughnan, Esq. Kilkenny. Peter Vincent O'Callaghan, Esq. Kilkenny. Thomas Hart, Esq. J.P., Castleview, Kilkenny.
Down County,	Aubrey De Vere Beauclerk, Esq. Ardglass Castle, Ard-glass. Daniel Delacherois, Esq. Managh House, Donagha-dee. Thomas M'Clure, Esq. Bel-mont, Belfast.	King's County,	Lieut.-Col. The Honourable John Craven Westera, Sharavogue, Parsonstown. Joseph F. Hutchinson, Esq. Golden Grove, Roscrea. Marcus Goodbody, Esq. Inchmore House, Clara.
Dublin County,	Phineas Riall, Esq. Old Con-naught, Bray. William Compton Domvile, Esq. Thornhill, Bray. The Hon. Jenico Preston, Gormanstown Castle, Bal-briggan.	Leitrim County,	The Honourable John Massy, Milford, Limerick. William Robert La Touche, Esq. Bellevue, Delgany. Richard Reynolds Peyton, Esq. Loughscur, Cash-carrigan.
Dublin City,	William Dargan, Esq. D.L., The Tower, Mount Anville, Dundrum. Edmund D'Olier, Esq. 9, Eustace Street, Dublin. Joseph Boyce, Esq. D.L. 52, Upper Mount Street.	Limerick County,	Joseph Gubbins, Esq. Kil-frush Hospital. John Franks, Esq. Bally-scaddane, Knocklong. David Vandeleur Roche, Esq. Caran, Croom.
Drogheda County Town,	Francis Brodigan, Esq. Pill-town, Drogheda. Ralph Smyth, Junior, Esq. Newtown House, Drogheda. James Duff Mathews, Junior, Esq. Mount Hanover, Drogheda.	Limerick City,	John Howley, Esq. Richhill, Lisnaguy. Thomas Boyse, Esq. Prospect Hill, Patrickswell. Honourable Charles Smythe, Vereker, King Street, St James's, London.