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TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 1865.

LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE, March 31, 1865.

TOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be kept on Wednesday, the 24th of May next.

(484.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall, March 30, 1865.

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Charge d'Affaires as Copenhagen, enclosing the following translation of a Danish Law recently enacted, and which regulates the amount of drawback to be allowed on the exportation of Danish and Foreign brandies.

1st. A drawback will henceforth be allowed on the export of home-made brandy to a foreign or a free port, or as ships' stores, of 1.6 skilling per "pot," of four degrees of strength, with an addition of 0.1 skilling per "pot" for each quarter of a degree increase of strength.

No drawback will be allowed on brandy of less

than four degrees of strength.

If sugar, spice, or any such thing is added to the brandy, thereby preventing the gauging of the strength, as in the case of "Aquavit," liqueur, cherry brandy, punch extract, and such mixtures, the strength is considered to be eight degrees, so that in each case a drawback of 3.2 skillings per "pot" will be allowed.

2d. The present law will apply also to the drawback allowed by paragraph 29 of the law of the 4th July 1863, on the exportation to foreign or free ports of foreign spirits liable to customs' duty, either pure, or mixed with sugar and the

3d. The conditions respecting the extent of drawback on the exportation of home-made brandy, with or without sugar, contained in paragraph No. 7 of the law of February 7, 1851, are hereby repealed, but the remainder of the paragraph continues in force.

4th. So long as the law of the 5th August of last year respecting the war tax on brandies remains in force, the drawback mentioned in the

above paragraphs 1 and 2 will be calculated under the conditions laid down in that law, with an increase of 50 per cent.

(496.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall, March 30, 1865.

The Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Sccretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Copenhagen, reporting that the Danish transit duties will be abolished on the 1st April next.

INDIA OFFICE, March 22, 1865.

Her Majesty has been pleased to approve the undermentioned Promotions amongst the Officers of the Staff Corps, and of Her Majesty's Indian Military Forces :-

BREVET.

The undermentioned Officer having completed five years' service as Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel, and as Regimental Lieutenant-Colonel, to be Colonel in the Army, under the operation of Clauses 8, 9, and 10 of the Royal Warrant of 31st January 1859:-

Lieutenant-Colonel Michael Galwey, C.B., Madras Infantry,—dated 9th May 1863.

The undermentioned Officer having completed five years' service as Lieutenant-Colonel, to be Colonel in the Army, under the operation of Clause 8 of the Royal Warrant of 31st January

Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Milne, Bengal Infantry, -dated 25th August 1864.

Major John Crosbie Graves, Bombay Cavalry, to be Lieutenant-Colonel; Captain George Hark-ness, Madras Infantry, to be Major, in succes-sion to Major-General W. Sage, Bengal Infantry, deceased,-dated 26th May 1864.

Major Dean Christian Shute, Bengal Infantry, to be Lieutenant-Colonel; Captain James John Combe, Bengal Infantry, to be Major, in succession to Major-General T. Anderson, Madras Cavalry, deceased, -dated 28th May 125 1.