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FOREIGN OFFICE, January 8, 1870.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr Adolph von Treuer as Consul at Adelaide for His Majesty the King of Wurtemberg.

WHITEHALL, December 27, 1869.

The Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto James Lushington Wildman, of Norton Court, in the parish of Norton, in the county of Kent, Esquire, in the Commission of the Peace for the said county, eldest son of James Beckford Wildman, late of Chilham, in the said county, Esquire, by Mary Anne his wife, daughter of Stephen Rumbold Lushington, late of Norton aforesaid, a Member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, deceased, Her Royal license and authority that he and his issue may, in compliance with a proviso contained in the last will and testament of his maternal grandfather, the said Stephen Rumbold Lushington, take and henceforth use the surname of Lushington, in addition to and after his present surname of Wildman; and that he and they may bear the arms of Lushington quarterly with his and their own family arms; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise Her Majesty's said license and permission to be void and of none effect:

And also to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be registered in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

(C. 12.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall, January 10, 1870.

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 Portuguese Decree, of which the following are the Articles:—

1. The ports of Bissau and Cacheu, in Portuguese Guinea, are declared free ports for the trade of all Nations.

2. All goods and merchandize imported into the said ports, under any flag, shall be exempt from the

payment of import duty on and after the 1st January 1871.

3. The interior navigation of the rivers shall continue to be reserved to National vessels, in accordance with the legislation of the Kingdom.

4. The Government shall adopt the proper measures in order to prevent any loss to the public revenue from the abolition of the duties which are at present levied at the Custom-houses of Bissau and Cacheu.

5. All legislation to the contrary is hereby revoked.

(C. 27.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall, January 10, 1870.

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 Ambassador at St Petersburg, enclosing an extract from the "Journal de St Pétersbourg," which contains a copy of a Law, which received the sanction of the Emperor of Russia on the 24th November last, prohibiting the formation of Companies for the navigation of the Caspian Sea, except by subjects of the Empire, and also prohibiting the purchase of any shares in such Companies by foreigners.

ADMIRALTY, January 10, 1870.

Lieutenant Frederick Parke has been promoted to the rank of Retired Commander in Her Majesty's Fleet, under the provisions of the Orders in Council of 1st August 1860, 9th July 1864, and 24th March 1866, with seniority from the 5th instant.

The following promotions have been this day made, confirming Commissions given by Vice-Admiral Wellesley, Commander-in-Chief on the North America Station, in the vacancies consequent on the death of Commander James H. Coxon, with seniority from the 3d November 1869:—

Lieutenant Henry John Martin to be Commander. Sub-Lieutenant the Honourable Clarence Edward Graves to be Lieutenant.