WINDSOR CASTLE, May 12, 1879.

This day had audience of Her Majesty:-

Señor Doctor José Maria Rójas, Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States of Venezuela, to deliver his Credentials; and

Señor Doctor Don Manuel R. Garcia, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the Argentine Republic, to deliver his Credentials;

To which audience they were respectively introduced by the Right Honourable R. A. Cross, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Home Affairs, acting for the Marquis of Salisbury, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

FOREIGN OFFICE, April 23, 1879.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Captain John Donald Hamill Stewart to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in Anatolia.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Captain Harry Cooper to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in Anatolia.

FOREIGN OFFICE, April 29, 1879.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Lieutenant - Colonel the Honourable George Patrick Hyde Villiers to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in Anatolia.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Lieutenant Herbert Charles Chermside to be Her Majesty's Vice-Consul in Anatolia.

FOREIGN OFFICE, May 7, 1879.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Brook Pakenham Bridges Taylor, Esq., of the Foreign Office, to be an Acting Third Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service while employed abroad.

DOWNING STREET, May 16, 1879.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Richard Henry Adrestrup Dyett, Esq., to be a Member of the Executive Council of the Island of Dominica.

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BOARD OF TRADE, WHITEHALL GARDENS, May 15, 1879.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to confer the Albert Medal of the Second Class on—

Captain Alexander Christie, of the fishingsmack 'Expert,' of Stonehaven.

The following is an account of the service in respect of which the decoration has been conferred:—

On the 24th January 1879, the fishing-boat 'Expert,' of Stonehaven, was run down by the steamer 'Countess of Durham,' when off Dunnottar Castle, Kincardineshire. The 'Expert'

at once sank, and three members of the crew were drowned. The master, Captain Christie, succeeded in obtaining a buoy, by which he supported himself, and a boat put off from the steamer to his assistance.

Captain Christie, although he had been in the water a quarter of an hour, and the cold was so great that the spray turned to ice, refused to be taken into the boat until one of his crew, George Main, who was lying some two or three boats' lengths off in a state of insensibility, had been picked up.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, May 20, 1879.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice, that at an Open Competitive Examination for situations as Student Interpreters at Constantinople, held on the 22d April 1879, and following days, under the Regulations dated the 20th March 1879, the undermentioned Candidates obtained the first four places:—

Number in Order of Merit.	Name.
1	Graves, Robert Wyndham
2	Lamb, Harry Harling
3	Cameron, Donald Andreas
4	Willmore, John Selden

BANKRUPTS

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

BANKRUPTCIES ANNULLED,

Thomas Holbeck Jennens, of 13 Saint Ann's Villa, Notting Hill, Middlesex.

George Clough Melville, of Stonehewer Street and Cannon Street, both in Manchester, Lancaster, auctioneer and general dealer.

William Henry Mortimore, of Bath Cottage, Maidenhead Thicket, Berks, farmer.

BANKRUPTCIES AWARDED.

Stephen Wreford Timewell, of Kingsbridge and Dodbrooke, both in Devon, corn, seed, and coal merchant. William Roberts, of Middle Lee, Molland, Devon, labourer.

Charles Ayling, of 3 New Road, Brighton, Sussex, dealer in sewing machines.

Richard Tewkesbury Chamen, of Charminster, Dorset, yeoman and miller.

Thomas Irven M'Carthy, of 42 Park Road, Southport, Lancaster, agent.

John Dodds Mills, of 316 Upper Brook Street, Chorltonupon-Medlock, and of 44 and 46 Ardwick Green, Ardwick, all near Manchester, Lancaster, and also until lately carrying on business at Mumps, near Oldham, Lancaster, trading as John Mills, boot and shoe dealer.

Thomas Payne, of Warwick, draper.

Stephen Fitchew Cox, Fitz Hugh Cox, and George Chapman, of Water Lane, Leeds, York, leather factors and leather merchants, trading at Water Lane, Leeds aforesaid, under the style or firm of Cox Brothers, the said Stephen Fitchew Cox residing at Clevedon, Somerset, the said Fitz Hugh Cox residing at Ilkley, York, and the said George Chapman residing at Chapeltown, near Leeds aforesaid.