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FOREIGN OFFICE, March 29, 1886.

THE Earl of Rosebery has received a Despatch from Lord Lyons, Her Majesty's Ambassador at Paris, forwarding an extract from the French Journal Officiel of the 20th of March, relating to claims arising out of the recent military operations in Madagascar; of which the following is a translation:—

Journal Officiel, March 20, 1886.

‘NOTICE

‘To persons who may have claims to advance on account of losses sustained in Madagascar during the recent conflict between the French and Hova Governments.

‘According to the terms of Article 8 of the Treaty concluded on the 17th of December 1885, between the French Republic and the Government of Her Majesty the Queen of Madagascar, the Government of the Queen has agreed to pay ten million francs, applicable both to the settlement of French claims liquidated before the conflict which took place between the two parties, and to compensation for all damages caused to private persons of all nationalities by the fact of that conflict. The examination and settlement of these indemnities have devolved upon the French Government.

‘Persons having claims to advance on account of the above-mentioned damages are warned that they must address their applications, accompanied by documentary proofs, either to the Foreign Office in Paris before the 15th of May, or to the French Resident at Tamatavo before the 15th of July next.

‘Paris, March 18, 1886.’

ST. JAMES'S PALACE, March 27, 1886.

The notice in the Edinburgh Gazette, dated March 1, 1886, of the appointment of Lord Ribblesdale to be a Lord in Waiting in Ordinary to Her Majesty, has been cancelled.

DOWNING STREET, March 29, 1886.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint George William Gordon, Esq., Auditor and Registrar of Tobago, to be a Member of the Executive Council of that Island.

WHITEHALL, March 29, 1886.

The Queen has been pleased to issue a Commission under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, to the following effect:—

VICTORIA, R.

Victoria, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith:—

To Our right trusty and well-beloved Councillor William Baliol, Baron Esher, Master or Keeper of the Rolls and Records; Our right trusty and entirely beloved Cousin and Councillor Schomberg Henry, Marquess of Lothian, Knight of Our Most Ancient and Most Noble Order of the Thistle, Keeper of Our Privy Seal of Scotland, President of the Society of Antiquaries of Scot-