

*Whitehall, March 5, 1840.*

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Thomas James Sheppard, of East Stonehouse, in the county of Devon, Gent. to be a Master Extraordinary in the High Court of Chancery.

#### INTEREST ON EXCHEQUER BILLS.

*Exchequer Bill-Office, 2, Whitehall-Yard  
March 6, 1840.*

**T**HE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury having determined that the Exchequer Bills, dated in the month of June 1839, and in February and March 1840, charged on Aids and Supplies, now outstanding or about to be issued, and also the Exchequer Bills for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries, issued per Act 1st and 2d Victoria, cap. 88, and which are now outstanding (except those on which the interest has ceased), shall, on and after the 16th March 1840, bear an interest of two pence farthing per centum per diem.

The holders of all such Exchequer Bills are to take notice, that whenever the same shall be paid off, or shall, according to the conditions of the said Bills respectively, be received on account of any of the Public Revenues, Aids, Taxes, or Supplies, the aforesaid rule of interest, of two pence farthing per centum per diem, will be allowed thereon, from, and including, the said 16th March 1840.

*March 9, 1840.*

**A**N Extraordinary General Court or Meeting of the Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne for the Augmentation of the Maintenance of the Poor Clergy has been appointed by the said Governors, to be held at the Bounty-office, in Dean's-yard, Westminster, on Thursday the 26th day of this instant March, at twelve o'clock at noon, for the dispatch of the business of the said Governors.

By order of the Board,  
*Christopher Hodgson, Secretary.*

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that application is now making to Parliament for leave to bring in a Bill "For the more effectual drainage of certain lands in the townships of Morton Walkerith, East Stockwith, Bliton, Wharton, Pilham, and Gilby, in the parishes of Gainsburgh, Bliton, and Pilham, in the county of Lincoln;" in which said Bill it is intended to take powers to levy a rate or assessment for the purpose of erecting a steam engine and other necessary works for effectually lifting up and carrying off the waters, and for effecting the necessary improvements in the drainage of the said lands, and also for the more effectually draining certain other lands in the several parishes of Gainsburgh, Bliton, and Laughton, in the said county.—Dated this seventh day of March 1840.

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that application has been made to Parliament in the present session, and leave given to bring in a Bill, empowering the

Birmingham and Gloucester, and Bristol and Gloucester, Railway Companies, jointly to treat and agree with the Cheltenham and Great Western Union Railway Company, for the sale to them of that portion of their line of railway which extends from Cheltenham to Stone House, in the county of Gloucester, or of some part thereof, or for the relinquishment to them of all or some portion of their rights and interests therein; and in case such purchase shall be agreed upon between the said companies, then to empower the Birmingham and Gloucester, and Bristol and Gloucester, Railway Companies to unite their undertakings together, and form one company by the title of "The Birmingham, Gloucester, and Bristol Railway Company;" and for other purposes relating thereto.—Dated this fifth day of March 1840.

*Osborne, Ward and Sons, Bristol,  
Weedon and Addison, Gloucester,  
J. W. and G. Whateley, Birmingham,  
Solicitors for the Bill.*

#### Birmingham Canal Navigations.

**N**OTICE is hereby given, that, since the introduction of a Bill into Parliament, for extending and altering the line of the cut or canal authorised to be made by an Act, passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, and for granting further powers to the Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigations, two several alterations are desired by the parties to be made, and are intended to be applied for by them, of the line laid down in the map or plan referred to in the said Bill: one of such alterations to commence at a field in the parish of Westbromwich, in the county of Stafford, in the occupation of Elizabeth Smith, belonging to the Earl of Dartmouth, and numbered 135 on the plan of such alteration, deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the county of Stafford, and to terminate at a field in the township of Great Barr, in the parish of Aldridge, in the said county of Stafford, in the occupation of David Pagett, the property of Sir Edward Dollman Scott, Baronet, and Edward Thomas Foley, Esq. M.P., and numbered 7 on the said plan; and to pass from, in, through, or into the parishes, townships, or extra-parochial places of Westbromwich, Wednesbury, Aldridge, and Great Barr, in the county of Stafford; and the other of such alterations to commence at a field in the township of Perry Barr, in the parish of Handsworth, in the county of Stafford, in the occupation of John Smallwood, belonging to Wyrley Birch, Esq. numbered 188 on the said plan, and to terminate at a field in the same township, in the occupation of John Moore, belonging to the said Wyrley Birch, Esq. and numbered 124 on the said plan; and to pass from, in, through, or into the several parishes, townships, or extra-parochial places of Handsworth and Perry Barr, in the said county of Stafford.

And notice is hereby further given, that a plan and section of such several proposed alterations, on the same scale, and containing the same particulars as the original Parliamentary plan and section, deposited with the Clerk of the Peace for the said county of Stafford, together with a book of reference thereto,