

Brazos Santiago, and all the inlets, estancias, and passes on the said eastern coast of Mexico, and, from and after the date of this Proclamation, in a state of actual and absolute blockade by the armed vessels of the nation.

And for the purpose of carrying this Order, Decree, and Proclamation into complete effect, an armed naval force now is, and will be continued to be, kept at or near the said ports, inlets, and passes of the eastern coast of Mexico, entirely sufficient to enforce this Decree. For any breach or effort at breach of this blockade, the offending vessel and cargo will be liable to confiscation, and the officers and mariners of such vessel will be subject to the penalties attached to a breach of blockade.

This Decree shall take effect, as to vessels sailing from New Orleans, within three days after its publication in that city, and within five days as to any neutral port in the Gulf of Mexico, within twenty days as to any port in the United States north of the Gulf of Mexico, and in forty-five days as to vessels from any ports in Europe.

In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand, and the great seal of this Republic, at the city of Houston, this twenty-sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord, 1842, and of the independence of the Republic, the seventh.

(Signed) SAMUEL HOUSTON.

Signed by the President,
(Signed) ANSON JONES, Secretary of State.

Foreign-Office, May 31, 1842.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Timothy Darling as Consul for the United States of America, at Nassau, in the island of New Providence.

Crown-Office, May 31, 1842.

MEMBER returned to serve in this present
PARLIAMENT.

County of Londonderry.

Robert Bateson, of Belvoir-park, in the county of Down, Esq. in the room of Sir Robert Bateson, who has accepted the Chiltern Hundreds.

Office of Ordnance, 27th May 1842.

Corps of Royal Engineers.

To be First Lieutenants.

Second Lieutenant Albert O'Donnell Grattan, vice St. George L. Lyster, deceased.

Second Lieutenant Mervin Vavasour, vice Lloyd.

Second Lieutenant James Swayne Baker, vice Thomas R. Lyster, deceased.

MEMORANDUM.

The date of Lieutenant Jervois's promotion has been altered to the 8th October 1841.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Wilts.

Royal Regular Militia.

The Honourable St. John George Paul Methuen to be Captain, vice Jacob, resigned. Dated 21st May 1842.

COURT OF EXCHEQUER.

Trinity Term.—5th Victoria.

Monday, the 30th day of May 1842.

This Court will, on Friday the 17th day of June next, and on Saturday the 18th day of the same month, and also on Wednesday the 22d, Thursday the 23d, Friday the 24th, and Saturday the 25th days of the same month, and on Thursday the 30th day of the same month, hold Sitings, and will proceed in disposing of the business pending in the New Trial and Special Papers.

By the Court.

Read in open Court, Monday,

May 30, 1842,

Stepn. Richards, Master.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WHEREAS by an Act, passed in the third and fourth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled "An Act for the regulation of the duties of postage," it is enacted, that it shall be lawful for Her Majesty's Postmaster General to charge on all letters conveyed by the post, between places within any of Her Majesty's colonies, or conveyed by packet boats, between one part of Her Majesty's dominions and another part of the same dominions, or between Her Majesty's dominions and foreign parts, or between one port in any foreign country, and another port in the same, or any other foreign country, where post communications shall be established, and where rates of postage have not hitherto been authorized by law; and also to charge on all letters conveyed by any vessels to or from any of the colonies, or between any of the colonies, or between any of the colonies and a foreign port, and on all letters which shall be brought by the master of any vessel to the post office in any of the colonies, such rates of postage as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by warrant under their hands, shall from time to time direct; and by the same Act, power is given to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by warrant under their hands, to alter and fix any of the rates of British postage, or inland postage, payable by law, on the transmission by the post of foreign or colonial letters, or newspapers, or of any other printed papers, and to subject the same to rates of postage according to the weight thereof, and a scale of weight to be contained in such warrant; and from time to time, by warrant as aforesaid, to alter or repeal any such altered rates, and make and establish any new or other rates in lieu thereof; and by warrant as aforesaid, to appoint at what time the rates that might be payable were to be paid; and it is provided that the power thereby given, to alter and fix rates of postage, should extend to any increase or reduction, or remission of postage; and