By the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament, passed in the 54th year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, chapter 159, intituled "An Act for the better regulation of the several ports, harbours, roadsteads, sounds, channels, bays, and navigable rivers, in the United Kingdom, and of His Majesty's docks, dockyards, arsenals, wharfs, moorings, and stores therein, and for repealing several Acts passed for that purpose," it is enacted (among other things) that no person or persons shall take any ballast or shingle from the shores or banks, or any portion of the shores or banks, of any port, harbour, or haven of this kingdom, from which the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom for the time being shall find it necessary for the protection of such port, harbour, or haven, or the works thereof, by order under their hands, or the hand of their Secretary, and published in the London Gazette, shall prohibit the taking or removing of such shingle or ballast, upon pain of forfeiting for every such offence the sum of Ten Pounds.

And whereas we, as Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom, have found it necessary for the protection of the harbours of Christchurch, in the county of Southampton, and of Poole, in the county of Dorset, to prohibit the taking or removing of any ballast or shingle from the shores or banks at Hengistbury Head, and from a point on the west of Hengistbury Head where an ancient work, called the "Double Ditches," abuts on the sea cliff; and thence easterly to another point on the shore where the same is intersected by the channel or entrance to Christchurch Harbour, at or near the Coast Guard Station or Haven House at Muddiford. And we do therefore hereby order, that no person or persons shall take or remove any ballast or shingle from such shores or banks, or any portion of such shores or banks aforesaid.

> Given under our hands this 18th day of October, 1854.

> > $R.\,$  S. Dundas, Peter Richards,

Two of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom.

OTICE is hereby given, that a separate building, named the Independent Chapel, situate at Earl Shelton, in the parish of Earl Shelton, in the county of Leicester, in the district of Hinckley Union, being a building certified according to law as a place of religious worship, was, on the 14th day of October, 1854, duly registered for solemnizing marriages therein, pursuant to the Act of 6th and 7th Wm. IV., cap. 85.
Witness my hand this 16th day of October, 1854.

Benjamin Law, Superintendent Registrar.

Patent Law Amendment Act, 1852. Office of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions.

OTICE is hereby given, that-

1295. James Pickup, of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, Engineer, has given notice at the Office of the Commissioners of his intention to proceed with his application for letters patent ! for the invention of "improvements in steering apparatus."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 14th day of June, 1854.

1322. And Alfred Vincent Newton, of the Office for Patents, 66, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, Mechanical Draughtsman, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in machinery for block printing."—A communication.

1325. And John Allin Williams, of Baydon, in the county of Wilts, Farmer, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in machinery or apparatus for ploughing and cultivating land."

As set forth in their respective petitions, both recorded in the said office on the 17th day of June, 1854.

1344. And Joseph Day, of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, Manufacturer, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "an improvement or improvements in certain kinds of candlesticks."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office, on the 20th day of June, 1854.

1371. And Charles Cowper, of 20, Southamptonbuildings, Chancery-lane, in the county of Middlesex, Patent Agent, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in machinery for combing cotton, wool, flax, tow, silk-waste, and other fibrous substances. -A communication.

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 22nd day of June, 1854.

1394. And Thomas Skelton, of Plaistow, in the county of Essex, Draughtsman, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "an improvement in or addition to tillers or yokes." As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 24th day of June, 1854.

1426. And John Gregory Jones, of Roscommonstreet, Liverpool, Secretary and Accountant to the Liverpool Collegiate Institution, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in apparatus for teaching addition."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 28th day of June, 1854.

1464. And Joseph Marie Bardet, Chemist, and François Collette, Manufacturer, both of Paris, in the Empire of France, have given the like notice in respect of the invention of "an improvement in the construction of matches.'

As set forth in their petition, recorded in the said office on the 4th day of July, 1854.

1498. And James Lee Norton, of Holland-street, Blackfriars, in the county of Surrey, Gentleman, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in turnstile counting apparatus."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 7th day of July, 1854.

1627. And Francis Preston, of the city of Manchester, Spindle and Flyer Maker, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of " certain improvements in machinery for preparing cotton and other fibrous materials."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 25th day of July, 1854.

1715. And Auguste Boissonneau, of Paris, in the Empire of France, Ocularist, has given the like notice in respect of the invention of "improvements in artificial eyes."

As set forth in his petition, recorded in the said office on the 5th day of August, 1854.