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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1856.

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 29th day of
December, 1856,

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

HER Majesty having been pleased to appoint the Right Honourable Charles Crespigny, Lord Vivian, to be Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the county of Cornwall, he this day took the oaths appointed to be taken thereupon, instead of the oaths of allegiance and supremacy.

Whitehall, December 29, 1856.

The Queen has been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Great Seal, appointing Samuel Gale, Esq.; John Southerden Burn, Esq.; George Graham, Esq.; Robert Lush, Esq., Barrister-at-Law; William Palmer Parken, Esq., Barrister-at-Law; Horace Mann, Esq., Barrister-at-Law; and Hull Terrell, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Commissioners for the purpose of enquiring into the state, custody, and authenticity of certain non-parochial registers of births or baptisms, deaths or burials, and marriages in England and Wales.

Foreign-Office, December 27, 1856.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Frederick Arend Ebbeke as Consul at Kingston, Jamaica, for the Free Hanseatic City of Hamburg.

Crown-Office, December 29, 1856.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present
PARLIAMENT.

County of Suffolk.

Eastern Division.

The Right Honourable John Henniker Major Lord Henniker, in the room of Sir Edward Sherlock Gooch, Bart., deceased.

Board of Trade, Whitehall,
December 30, 1856.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Lisbon, transmitting copy of a recent Portuguese Royal Decree, fixing as follows the import duties upon the undermentioned articles:

1. Foreign maize to come under provisions of Articles 1 and 2 of Law of 3rd July, 1856, *i. e.*, payment of 20 reis per alquiere.
2. Foreign salt to pay 10 reis per 100 lbs.
3. Foreign oil to pay 1,200 reis per 100 lbs.
5. Vessels importing full cargoes of cereals will be exempted from payment of tonnage dues; and vessels importing part cargoes of cereals will be exempted from tonnage dues in proportion to the quantity.

The provisions of the Decree are to continue in force until the end of June, 1857.

War-Department, Pall-Mall,
30th December, 1856.

Royal Artillery.

Lieutenant-General William Greenshields Power, C.B., to be Colonel-Commandant, vice General the Honourable William Henry Gardner, deceased. Dated 16th December, 1856.

War-Department, Pall-Mall,
30th December, 1856.

46th Foot. The Christian name of Mr. Abbott, who was permitted to resign his Commission as Ensign on the 12th instant, is *John*, and not *William*, as previously stated.

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

Northumberland Regiment of Militia Artillery.
William Barras, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 24th December, 1856.