

(No. 3, Quarantine.)

The Secretary of State has also received, from Her Majesty's Consul in Madeira, the despatch, of which the following is a copy:—

British Consulate, Madeira,
December 26, 1866.

MY LORD,

WITH reference to my despatch to your Lordship of 27th August last, I have now the honour to acquaint your Lordship, that instructions have been received here from the General Board of Health at Lisbon, to remove the quarantine restrictions which have been enforced on vessels from ports in England, and to admit to free pratique all vessels from those ports provided with clean bills of health.

The restrictions still exist on vessels from ports in Scotland.

I have, &c.

St. James's Palace, January 1, 1867.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend William Henry Brookfield, Honorary Chaplain in Ordinary to Her Majesty, to be one of the Chaplains in Ordinary to Her Majesty, in the room of the Very Reverend Edward Meyrick Goulburn, D.D.; Dean of Norwich.

St. James's Palace, January 1, 1867.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend Stopford Augustus Brooke to be one of the Honorary Chaplains in Ordinary to Her Majesty.

Crown Office, January 3, 1867.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

County of Waterford.

Edward De La Poer, of Gurteen, in the county of Waterford, Esq., in the room of Henry De La Poer Beresford (commonly called Earl of Tyrone), now a Peer of the United Kingdom.

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Board of Trade, Whitehall,
January 3, 1867.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received a Notification to the effect that in consequence of the appearance of cholera in the Island of St. Thomas, the Board of Health at Barbados have passed a resolution recommending that a quarantine of twenty days should be imposed on every vessel arriving from St. Thomas, or any other infected Port.

War Office, January 4, 1867.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the under-mentioned Private Soldier, whose claim to the same has been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for his gallant conduct at the siege and capture of Tubabecolong, Gambia River, as recorded against his name; viz. :—

Regiment.	Rank and Name.	Act of Bravery for which recommended.
4th West India Regiment	Private Samuel Hodge, Date of Act of Bravery, June 30th, 1866	For his bravery at the storming and capture of the stockaded town of Tubabecolong, in the kingdom of Barra, River Gambia, on the evening of the 30th of June last. Colonel D'Arcy, of the Gambia Volunteers, states that this man and another, who was afterwards killed, —pioneers in the 4th West India Regiment,— answered his call for volunteers, with axes in hand, to hew down the stockade. Colonel D'Arcy having effected an entrance, Private Hodge followed him through the town, opening with his axe two gates from the inside, which were barricaded, so allowing the supports to enter, who carried the place from east to west at the point of the bayonet. On issuing to the glacis through the west gate, Private Hodge was presented by Colonel D'Arcy to his comrades, as the bravest soldier in their regiment, a fact which they acknowledged with loud acclamations.