executing the offices of Treasurer of the Exchequer of Great Britain, and Lord High Treasurer of Ireland.

The Queen has also been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Great Seal, granting to the Right Honourable George Ward Hunt, the offices of Chancellor, and Under Treasurer of Her Majesty's Exchequer.

Foreign Office, February 29, 1868.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Edward Robert Lytton, now Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Lisbon, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Madrid.

Foreign Office, March 3, 1868.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Senhor Francisco Van Zeller as Consul-General in London for His Majesty the King of Portugal and the Algarves.

Westminster, February 28, 1868.

THIS day, the Lords being met, a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them that The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act to further continue the Act of the twenty-ninth year of the reign of Her present Majesty, chapter one, intituled "An Act to empower the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland to apprehend, and detain for a limited time, such persons as he or they shall suspect of conspiring against Her Majesty's person and Government."

An Act to provide for the acquisition of a site for a Museum in the East of London.

(C. 273.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall, March 2, 1868.

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Washington, transmitting the annexed copy of an Act, which was approved of by both Houses of Congress on the 3rd February last, to provide for the exemption of cotton from internal tax:-

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that all cotton grown in the United States after the year 1867, shall be exempt from internal tax; and cotton imported from foreign countries on and after 1st November, 1868, shall be exempt from duty."

Privy Council Office, Veterinary Department, Princes-street, Westminster, S.W.

A LICENCE to hold a Market for the sale of Cattle. whether intended for immediate slaughter or otherwise, has been issued by the Lords of the Council for :-

Southampton Southampton

The LICENCE issued on the 28th day of January. 1868, to hold a Market for the sale of Cattle at Southampton, in the county of Southampton, has been revoked by order of the Lords of the Council.

LICENCES to hold Sales of Cattle, whether intended for immediate slaughter or otherwise, have been issued by the Lords of the Council for the following places:-

Great Budworth Chester Tenbury... Worcester

A LICENCE to hold an Exhibition of Cattle, whether intended for immediate slaughter or otherwise, has been issued by the Lords of the Council for :-

Stockbridge Southampton, on the 7th day of May, 1868.

(Signed) ALEXANDER WILLIAMS.

March 2, 1868.

War Office, Pall Mall, 3rd March, 1868.

- 1st Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant F. Henry Huth, from the 19th Hussars, to be Lieutenant, vice Nethercote, who exchanges. Dated 4th March, 1868.
- 6th Dragoon Guards, Florance Thomas Stephen Rippingall, Gent., to be Cornet, by purchase, vice Montgomery, promoted. Dated 4th March,
- 1st Dragoons, Surgeon William Henry Muschamp, from the 10th Foot, to be Surgeon, vice Surgeon-Major Joseph Jee, C.B., who retires upon half-pay. Dated 4th March, 1868.
- 6th Dragoons, Lieutenant Thomas Blackwood. from the 4th Foot, to be Lieutenant, vice Daveney, who exchanges. Dated 4th March, 1868.

16th Lancers, Staff Surgeon Charles Alexander Innes, M.D., to be Surgeon, vice Surgeon-Major James Macbeth, M.D., appointed to the Staff. Dated 4th March, 1868.

Staff Assistant-Surgeon James McCully, M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon, vice Charles Alexander Innes, M.D., promoted on the Staff. Dated 4th March, 1868.

19th Hussars, Lieutenant John Nethercote, from the 1st Dragoon Guards, to be Lieutenant, vice Huth, who exchanges. Dated 4th March, 1868.

21st Hussars, Major R. Bannatyne McLeod to be Lieutenant - Colonel, vice Brevet-Colonel William Frederick Curtis, who retires upon half-pay. Dated 4th March, 1868.

Captain Henry Erskine Forbes to be Major, vice

McLeod. Dated 4th March, 1868.

Lieutenant C. Elliot Farquharson to be Captain, vice Forbes. Dated 4th March, 1868.