

and, by a noble and active life, to unite still closer the bonds which join the Royal Family with a loyal and devoted people.

Signed in name and by appointment of the Annual General Meeting of the Royal Eastern Yacht Club,

*R. M. Jones*, Chairman.

And the following on the same subject: from  
The Ministers and Messengers of the Baptist  
Congregations in Ireland.  
The Guardians of the Poor of the Waterford  
Union.

**A**T the Court at *Windsor*, the 19th day of  
*June*, 1868.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**I**T is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council that His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury do prepare Forms of Prayer and Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for His merciful preservation of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh from the attack of an assassin in Australia, on Thursday, the twelfth of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight; and for the success and safety which have been vouchsafed to Her Majesty's Forces in the Abyssinian Expedition for the rescue of certain Captives imprisoned in that Country; and it is ordered that such Forms of Prayer and Thanksgiving be used in all Churches and Chapels in England and Wales, and in the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, upon Sunday, the twenty-eighth day of June instant:

And it is hereby further ordered that Her Majesty's Printer do forthwith print a competent number of copies of the said Forms of Prayer and Thanksgiving, in order that the same may be forthwith sent round and read in the several Churches and Chapels in England and Wales, and in the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed.

*Arthur Helps*.

**A**T the Court at *Windsor*, the 19th day of  
*June*, 1868.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

**H**ER Majesty in Council having deemed it right and proper that Prayers and Thanksgivings should be offered up to Almighty God for His merciful preservation of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh from the attack of an assassin in Australia, on Thursday, the twelfth of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight; and for the success and safety which have been vouchsafed to Her Majesty's Forces in the Abyssinian Expedition for the rescue of certain Captives imprisoned in that Country, all ministers and preachers, as well of the Estab-

lished Church, in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, as of the Episcopal Communion, protected and allowed by an Act passed in the tenth year of the reign of Queen Anne, chapter seven, are hereby earnestly exhorted, on Sunday, the twenty-eighth day of June instant, at some time during the exercise of Divine Service in their churches, congregations, or assemblies, to offer up Solemn Prayers and Thanksgivings to Almighty God for the great mercies He has thus vouchsafed.

*Arthur Helps*.

**A**T the Court at *Windsor*, the 19th day of  
*June*, 1868.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN'S Most Excellent Majesty.

Lord President.  
Duke of Buckingham and Chandos.  
Lord Steward.  
Mr. Disraeli.

**W**HEREAS by the fourth section of the Act of the sixth year of the reign of King George the Fourth, chapter eighty-seven, intituled "An Act to regulate the payment of salaries and allowances to British Consuls at foreign ports, and the disbursements at such ports for certain public purposes," it is amongst other things enacted: "That it shall and may be lawful for all Consuls-General and Consuls appointed by His Majesty and resident within the dominions of any Sovereign or any foreign State or Power in amity with His Majesty, to accept, take, and receive the several fees particularly mentioned in the tables to the said Act annexed, for and in respect or on account of the several matters and things, and official acts and deeds, particularly mentioned in the said schedules: and that it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, by any Order or Orders to be by him made, by and with the advice of His Privy Council from time to time, as occasion may require, to increase or diminish, or wholly to abolish, all or any of the fees aforesaid, and to establish and authorize the payment of any greater or smaller, or new or additional, fees or fee for or in respect of the several matters and things mentioned in the said schedules, or in any of them, or for or in respect of any other matters or things, or matter or thing, to be by any such Consul-General or Consul done or performed in the execution of such his office:"

And whereas by an Order in Council made on the first of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, it was ordered that certain fees mentioned in the table thereunto annexed should be taken; and whereas it is expedient to abolish those fees so far as regards fees to be levied by Her Majesty's Consular Officers in China and Japan, and to establish and authorize the payment of other fees in lieu thereof: Now, therefore, in pursuance of the said Act, and in execution of the powers in Her Majesty in Council in that behalf vested by the said Act, it is hereby ordered by Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, that the several fees mentioned in the table annexed to the Order in Council of the first of May, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, shall be abolished as regards fees to be