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Whitehall, October 2, 1868.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct letters patent to be passed under the Seal appointed by the Treaty of Union to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, appointing the Right Honourable Duncan, Baron Colonsay; the Right Honourable Richard, Baron Westbury; the Right Honourable John Inglis, Lord Justice-General and President of the Court of Session in Scotland; the Right Honourable George Patton, Lord Justice Clerk; Sir Roundell Palmer, Knt., one of Her Majesty's Counsel; Edward Srathearn Gordon, Esq., Her Majesty's Advocate in Scotland; Edward Frederick Maitland, Esq., one of the Senators of the College of Justice in Scotland; James Moncreiff, Esq., Dean of the Faculty of Advocates in Scotland; George Selater Booth, Esq., one of the Secretaries of Her Majesty's Treasury; Andrew Rutherford Clark, Esq., Sheriff of the County of Berwick; Hugh Barclay, Esq., Sheriff-Substitute of the County of Perth; William Smythe, of Methven, Esq., Convener of the County of Perth; Archibald Orr Ewing, Esq., Lord Dean of Guild of Glasgow; George Harrison, Esq., Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, Edinburgh; Thomas Graham Murray, Esq., Writer to the Signet; Charles Morton, Esq., Writer to the Signet; James Webster, Esq., Solicitor before the Supreme Courts; John Boyd Baxter, Esq., President of the Council of Procurators in Scotland; and Adam Paterson, Esq., Writer in Glasgow; to be Her Majesty's Commissioners to enquire into the Constitution and Jurisdiction of the various Courts for the Administration of Justice, Civil and Criminal, in Scotland.

Her Majesty has also been pleased to appoint Norman MacPherson, Esq., Advocate, Professor of Scots Law in the University of Edinburgh, to be Secretary to the Commission.

Foreign Office, October 7, 1868.

The Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Francisco L. Davis as Consul in London for the United States of Venezuela.

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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
October 8, 1868.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, from Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affairs at Lisbon, a Decree, issued by the Portuguese Government, and dated 5th September, 1868, respecting the duty charged on the importation of foreign honey, molasses, and treacle at the Custom-house of Funchal, in the Island of Madeira.

The following are the articles of this Decree:—

ART. 1. The provision laid down in the Law of the 20th August, 1861, in virtue of which the import duty on foreign honey, molasses, and treacle, at the Custom-house of Funchal, in the Island of Madeira, is fixed at 6000 reis (£1 6s. 8d.) for every 100 kilogrammes, is declared to be in force for three years more, counting from the publication of this law (September 12).

ART. 2. All legislation to the contrary is hereby revoked.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
9th October, 1868.*

Commissariat Department, Deputy - Assistant Commissary-General Alfred Ernest Petrie to be Assistant Commissary-General, vice McKinstry, placed on the Retired List. Dated 1st October, 1868.

Ensign James Alleyne Clarke, from 22nd Foot, Acting Deputy-Assistant Commissary-General, to be Deputy-Assistant Commissary-General. Commission to bear date 10th February, 1868, but such antedate not to carry pay prior to 1st August, 1868.

Chaplain's Department, The Reverend Michael Cuffe, Chaplain of the Fourth Class, to be Chaplain of the Third Class. Dated 7th September, 1868.

Admiralty, 6th October, 1868.

Sub-Lieutenant Philip Francis has been promoted to be Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 3rd instant.