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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
March 18, 1869.*

THE Right Honourable the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade have received intelligence, from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to the effect that the city of Yedo was opened to foreign trade and residence on the 1st January last.

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*Board of Trade, Whitehall,
March 18, 1869.*

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 Consul-General at the Havana, reporting that, by a Decree of the Captain-General of Cuba, the following export duties came into force on the 1st March, 1869; viz. :—

Half a dollar per box of sugar.

One and a quarter dollar per hoghead of Muscovado sugar.

One dollar per bale of leaf tobacco.

Half a dollar per thousand cigars.

From the same date, an additional five per cent. was to be levied on all import duties; and the merchants were to pay 25 per cent. additional for their licenses.

These extra dues are stated to be provisional, and levied only to meet the extraordinary expenses attending the insurrection in the Island of Cuba.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
19th March, 1869.**92nd Regiment of Foot.*

Lieutenant-General John Campbell, from the 97th Foot, to be Colonel, vice General the Right Honourable Hugh H., Lord Strathnairn, G.C.B., G.C.S.I., transferred to the Colonelcy of the Royal Horse Guards. Dated 3rd March, 1869.

97th Regiment of Foot.

Lieutenant-General George Thomas Colomb, from the 4th West India Regiment, to be Colonel, vice Lieutenant-General John Campbell, transferred to the Colonelcy of the 92nd Foot. Dated 3rd March, 1869.

Chaplains' Department, Chaplain of the Third Class the Reverend Walter Melvill Wright to be Chaplain of the Second Class. Dated 2nd March, 1869.

Admiralty, 19th March, 1869.

Vice-Admirals :

The Honourable Joseph Denman and Charles Frederick

have been appointed to receive the Greenwich Hospital Pensions placed at the disposal of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, by the deaths of Admiral of the Fleet Sir James Alexander Gordon, G.C.B., and Admiral Sir Peter

Richards, K.C.B., and they have been placed on the retired List accordingly.

In consequence of these retirements the following Flag promotions, to date the 17th instant, have been made :—

Rear-Admiral Richard Collinson, C.B., to be Vice-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Rear-Admiral George Ramsay, C.B., to be Vice-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Captain William King Hall, C.B., to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Captain Thomas Wilson, C.B., to be Rear-Admiral in Her Majesty's Fleet.

Retired Captain Colson Festing to be Retired Rear-Admiral, under the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 24th April, 1847, and 26th June, 1867.

Retired Captains :

Edmund Gardiner Fishbourne, C.B.,

Thomas Chaloner,

William Cornwallis Aldham, C.B.,

Colin Yorke Campbell,

to be Retired Rear-Admirals, under the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 1st August, 1860, 9th July, 1864, and 24th March, 1866.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the Tower Hamlets.

Francis Fortescue, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the North Riding of the County of York.

Thomas Preston, Esq., to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 15th March, 1869.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent, and of the City and County of the City of Canterbury.

The Right Honourable Charles Robert Claude, Lord Truro, to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 11th March, 1869.

East Kent Regiment of Militia.

Lieutenant Edward Charles Hughes to be Captain, vice Inverarity, resigned. Dated 15th March, 1869.

Percival Frederick Beaumont to be Lieutenant, vice Denison, deceased. Dated 11th March, 1869.

MEMORANDUM.

Her Majesty has signified her pleasure that Lieutenant Harcourt James Lees should be struck off the strength of the West Kent Yeomanry Cavalry (Queen's Own). Dated 15th March, 1869.

Commissions signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Forfar.

Forfar and Kincardine Artillery Militia.

William McBean Campbell, Esq., to be Captain, vice Cruikshank, resigned. Dated 23rd July, 1868.

1st Forfarshire Rifle Volunteer Corps.

Ensign James Walker to be Lieutenant, vice Lowson, resigned. Dated 16th March, 1869. James Keiller, Gent., to be Ensign, vice Walker, promoted. Dated 16th March, 1869.