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Downing Street, November 19, 1870.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend Henry Constantine Huxtable, M.A., to be ordained and consecrated Bishop of the See of Mauritius.

*Board of Trade,
November 19, 1870.*

(M. 9595.)

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following translation of a Decree issued by the Spanish Government, with respect to the service of Enrolled Seamen in the Mercantile Marine of Foreign Nations at peace with Spain :—

DECREE.

Art. 1. Enrolled seamen who have seen service, or who have given the substitution of the same by the measures authorised for that purpose by law, are completely at liberty to embark as the crew of foreign merchant vessels of any nationality not at war with Spain.

Art. 2. Any seaman, fulfilling the foregoing conditions, who is desirous of making use of this privilege, must make an application to the Branch Authority at the place where he may happen to be, for the necessary permit, which will be forwarded to him on the presentation of the documents in proof of his having served his time, or of being exempt from being liable to be called for service from having given the legal substitution.

Art. 3. In cases of the permit being given to persons whose enrolment (matricula) took place at a different spot to the one where the permit is requested, the Chief of the latter shall take care to make this fact known to the Chief of the Province where the interested party was registered, doing the same also, with respect to all, to the Spanish Consul at the foreign port whither the vessel is destined.

These latter officers may also of themselves grant these same permits after having assured themselves of the person's identity, reporting the same to the respective authorities in the Peninsula.

Art. 4. Spanish Consuls abroad will take every possible precaution to ensure Spanish sailors scrupulously fulfilling the stipulations in their

contracts with the Owners or Captains of the ship on board of which they are serving.

Art. 5. All regulations are annulled contrary to this Decree, which may be suspended in extraordinary cases when, in the opinion of the Government, public convenience demands the same.

Madrid, 29th October, 1870.

(Signed) F. SERRANO.

J. MARIA DE BERANGER,
Minister of Marine.

(M. 9854.)

*Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
November 21, 1870.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following translation of a Circular forwarded by the Governor of Alexandria to Her Majesty's Consul at that place, upon the subject of a new regulation in regard to the requirements of the Custom-house in matters connected with Ships' Manifests :—

SIR, (Copy.)

His Excellency, the Director of the Custom-house, has written to me on the 30th Regeb, 1287, that the Custom-house dues are levied on the faith of the manifests, and that henceforth these manifests must be attested as correct by the authority of the port of departure, and bear his official seal. This measure will ensure perfect regularity and correctness, and is as much to the advantage of the Companies as of the Government. I therefore request you to communicate this decision to all the Shipping Companies under your jurisdiction, instructing them henceforth to hand over to the Custom-house the attestation to the manifests of the authority of the port of loading. A delay of thirty days has been granted before this comes into operation, and after this date no manifest will be accepted unless it bears this attestation.

I have sent a copy of this letter to all the Consuls.

Accept, &c.,
(Signed) HASSEM CHIRIM,
Governor of Alexandria.