

Admiralty, 5th January, 1874.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 22nd February, 1870—

Lieutenant Philip Francis has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

Admiralty, 7th January, 1874.

The undermentioned Officers have this day been promoted to the rank of Navigating Lieutenant in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

William Barnston Meade.
Walter Neilson Goalen.
Charles Henry Stuart Douglas
William Tooker.
William Henry Petley.

Henry Harkan, Esq., has been promoted to the rank of Staff Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet, from the 31st December, 1873.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1871.

WEDNESBURY FAIR.

WHEREAS a representation has been duly made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Local Board of Health for the District of Wednesbury, as owners, that a Fair has been annually held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in the week following after the 4th of September, in the town of Wednesbury, in the said district, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fair should be abolished:

And whereas notice of the said representation, and of the time when I should take the same into consideration, has been duly published in pursuance of "The Fairs Act, 1871:"

And whereas on such representation and consideration it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the said Fair should be abolished:

Now, therefore, I, as the Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by "The Fairs Act, 1871," do hereby order that the Fair which has been annually held on the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in the week following after the 4th September, in the town and district of the Local Board of Health of Wednesbury, shall be abolished as from the date of this order.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 7th day of January, 1874.

(Signed) *R. Lowe.*

In the Matter of the Court of Chancery (Officers' Act, 1867 (30th and 31st Victoria, chapter 87); and in the Matter of the Courts of Justice (Salaries and Funds) Act, 1869 (32nd and 33rd Victoria, chapter 91).

WHEREAS William Edward Church was appointed, on the 1st day of December, 1873, to be the fifteenth Clerk to the Registrars of the High Court of Chancery, at an annual salary of £300; and whereas such appointment was made and accepted upon the terms and conditions hereinafter appearing: now, therefore, we, Fulke Greville and W. H. Gladstone, being two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, with the concurrence of the Right Honourable Roundell, Baron Selborne, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, testified by his signature hereto, in pursuance and by the authority of the Courts of Justice (Salaries and Funds) Act, 1869, do hereby order that, for the present, and until fur-

ther order be made to the contrary, the said William Edward Church be entitled to and be paid the yearly salary of £300, and shall hold his office of fifteenth Clerk to the Registrars of the High Court of Chancery, and discharge provisionally the duties attaching thereto, subject to any order to be hereafter made, under section 14 of the Courts of Justice (Salaries and Funds) Act, 1869, in relation to the abolition or modification of the said office, or to the amount of the salary to be received by him as such Clerk, and that he have no vested, or other legal right of succession to any other clerkship in the Registrar's office, unless in any Order to be hereafter made it be so determined. And we do also order, that the said salary be paid to the said William Edward Church by equal quarterly payments, on the 16th day of March, the 16th day of June, the 16th day of September, and the 16th day of December, so long as it shall continue to be payable, the first quarterly payment to be made on the 16th day of March, 1874; and that the proportionate part of the said salary, amounting to the sum of £12 7s. 3d., which accrued from and inclusive of the 1st day of December, 1873, the date of his appointment to the 16th day of December, 1873, be paid to him forthwith.

Dated this nineteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Fulke Greville.

W. H. Gladstone.

I concur in the above Order.

Selborne, C.

In the Matter of the Court of Chancery (Officers' Act, 1867 (30th and 31st Victoria, chapter 87); and in the Matter of the Courts of Justice (Salaries and Funds) Act, 1869 (32nd and 33rd Victoria, chapter 91).

WHEREAS, in consequence of the death of Frederick Bennell, a vacancy has occurred in the office of Junior Clerk, attached to the Court of his Honour the Vice-Chancellor Sir Charles Hall; and whereas, by an Order of Court, dated the 11th day of November, 1873, made in pursuance of the firstly above-mentioned Act, it was declared necessary to supply such vacancy; and whereas, William Henry Hopkins was appointed on the said 11th day of November, 1873, to fill the said vacancy, and he has agreed to accept his office upon terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned: therefore, we, Fulke Greville and William H. Gladstone, being two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, with the concurrence of the Right Honourable Roundell, Baron Selborne, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, testified by his signature hereto, in pursuance and by the authority of the Courts of Justice (Salaries and Funds) Act, 1869, do hereby order that the said William Henry Hopkins be entitled to, and be paid, the annual salary of four hundred pounds, such salary to increase after five years' service by the said William Henry Hopkins, by annual increments of twenty pounds, until the maximum salary of five hundred pounds per annum is reached, and thenceforward to continue at that amount; and that the said William Henry Hopkins shall hold his said office without any claim to compensation, in the event of the abolition thereof or any modification of the duties therein resulting from the operation of The Supreme Court of Judicature Act, 1873, or any rule to be made thereunder. And we do also order, that the said salary be paid to the said William Henry Hopkins by equal quarterly payments, on the 16th day of March, the 16th day of June, the 16th day of September, and the