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*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, August 31, 1876.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of Notices issued by the Portuguese Authorities declaring the ports of the Persian Gulf to be free from plague since the 5th of July last; the port of Clara infected with, and all the other ports of that province suspected of, yellow fever since the 3rd July last; and the port of Maranham infected with, and the other ports of that province suspected of, the same disease since the 10th July last.

Admiralty, 26th August, 1876.

The undermentioned Officer has this day been promoted to the rank of Fleet Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

William H. Cruice, Esq., with seniority of the 8th August, 1876.

Admiralty, 29th August, 1876.

Assistant-Paymasters George Stephen Goddard and Richard Olivey have been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of the 26th instant.

Admiralty, 30th August, 1876.

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

Paymaster George Henry Whillier has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 22nd instant.

Admiralty, 1st September, 1876.

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

Lieutenant Fitzpatrick William Bulkeley Praed has been this day placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank and title of Retired Commander.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1871.

LITCHAM FAIR.

IN pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, I, the Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross,

one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, hereby notify as follows:

1. By Memorial, dated the 26th day of May, 1876, a representation has been duly made to me by the Justices acting for the combined Petty Sessional Division of Mitford and Launditch, in the county of Norfolk, that a Fair has been annually held at Litcham, in the said division of the said county, on the 1st day of November, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that such Fair should be abolished:

2. On the 30th day of September, 1876, I shall take the aforesaid representation into consideration, and all persons are to intimate, before that day, any objection they may desire to offer to the abolition of the said Fair.

Richard Assheton Cross.

Whitehall, August 30, 1876.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873.

BURTON-UPON-TRENT FAIR.

IN pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, I, the Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, hereby notify as follows:

1. By memorial, dated the 2nd day of August, 1876, a representation has been duly made to me by the Burton-upon-Trent Town Commissioners, as owners, that a Fair has been annually held within their district on or during nine days (Sundays excepted) in the month of October, such nine days terminating on the 29th day of October, unless such last-mentioned day falls upon a Sunday, and then such nine days terminate on Monday, the 30th day of October, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that such Fair should be held on or during a less number of days than those on which such Fair is used to be held, and that it should be henceforth held on the 28th and 29th days of October in each year, unless either of such days shall in any year happen to be Sunday, then such Fair in that year shall be held upon that one of such two days which is not Sunday, and upon the following 30th day of October.

2. On the 30th day of September, 1876, I shall take the aforesaid representation into consideration, and all persons are to intimate, before that day, any objection they may desire to offer to the said proposed alteration in the time for holding the said Fair.

Richard Assheton Cross.

Whitehall, August 30, 1876.