

AT the Court at *Windsor*, the 20th day of *March*, 1877.

PRESENT.

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, after giving to the Incumbents and the Churchwardens of the parishes hereinafter mentioned ten days' previous notice of his intention to make such representation, has, under the provisions of an Act passed in the session of Parliament held in the sixteenth and seventeenth years of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to amend the laws concerning the burial of the dead in England beyond the limits of the Metropolis, and to amend the Act concerning the burial of the dead in the Metropolis," made a representation stating that, for the protection of the public health, no new burial-ground should be opened in the undermentioned parishes without the previous consent of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and that burials should be discontinued therein with the following modifications, viz. :—

NEWCHAPEL, WOLSTANTON.—Forthwith wholly in the church of Newchapel, Wolstanton; and in the churchyard, after December thirty-first, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, except in vaults and walled graves, in which each coffin shall be separately enclosed by stonework or brickwork properly cemented; and except in family earthen graves which can be opened to the depth of five feet without the exposure of coffins, or the disturbance of remains; and that, in the meantime, no exposure of coffins be allowed.

WRITTLE, ESSEX.—Forthwith wholly in the church of Writtle; and in the churchyard after the thirty-first December, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven, except in existing family vaults and graves which are free from water and from entire bones.

ST. JOHN'S, WAKEFIELD.—Forthwith wholly in the catacombs beneath St. John's Church, Wakefield, and in the part of the churchyard lying on the north and west sides of the church; and that in the part of the churchyard lying on the south and east sides of the church interment be discontinued except in family graves and vaults in which each coffin has been and shall be separately entombed by stonework or brickwork properly cemented, and except also in earthen graves, to be used only for the burial of parishioners of St. John's district, which have never been previously opened, and are not within nine feet of any tree.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty in Council is pleased hereby to give notice of such representation, and to order that the same be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council on the fifth day of May next:

And Her Majesty is further pleased to direct that this Order be forthwith published in the London Gazette; and that copies thereof be affixed on the doors of the churches or chapels of, or on some conspicuous places within, the parishes affected by such representation, one month before the said fifth day of May.

C. L. Peel.

Windsor Castle, March 20, 1877.

The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on James Gell, Esq., Attorney-General for the Isle of Man.

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The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on William Leece Drinkwater, Esq., First Deemster of the Isle of Man.

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The Queen was this day pleased to confer the honour of Knighthood on Walter Henry Medhurst, Esq., late Her Majesty's Consul at Shanghai.

Downing Street, March 27, 1877.

The Queen has been pleased to appoint Sir George Campbell Anderson, Knt., to be Chief Justice of the Leeward Islands.

Westminster, March 22, 1877.

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read;* and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

An Act to raise the sum of seven hundred thousand pounds by Exchequer Bills or Exchequer Bonds for the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

An Act to amend the Publicans' Certificates (Scotland) Act, 1876.

An Act to amend the law relating to the granting of licences for the sale of beer, ale, and porter in Ireland.

Whitehall, March 21, 1877.

The Queen has been pleased to grant unto Edward John Bunny, of Slinfold, in the parish of Slinfold, in the county of Sussex, Esquire, in the Commission of the Peace and a Deputy Lieutenant for the said county, Lieutenant-Colonel Royal Sussex (Light Infantry) Regiment of Militia, and to Mary St. John, his wife, only child and heir of Robert Burnett Brander, late of Belmoredean, in the parish of West Grinstead, and sometime of Tanbridge House, in the parish of Horsham, both in the said county of Sussex, Esquire, and of Sarah, his wife, daughter of Henry St. John, Esquire, all deceased, Her Royal licence and authority that they and their issue may, in compliance with the desire expressed in a codicil to the last will and testament of the said Robert Burnett Brander take and henceforth use the surname of St. John, in lieu of that of Bunny:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms, otherwise to be void and of none effect.