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FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 1878.

*Lord Chamberlain's Office, St. James's Palace,
March 12, 1878.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that Her Majesty's Birthday will be kept on Saturday, the 25th of May next.

Windsor Castle, March 26, 1878.

THIS day had audience of Her Majesty:—

General Sergio Camargo, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary from the United States of Colombia, to deliver his Credentials;

To which audience he was introduced by the Earl of Derby, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

Westminster, March 28, 1878.

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

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act, 1878.

Brighton Aquarium (Capital) Act, 1878.

Royal Bank of Scotland Officers Widows Fund (Amendment) Act, 1878.

An Act for rendering valid certain Letters Patent granted to Lewis Augustus Aspinwall, for a "new or improved implement for planting potatoes."

Birkenhead, Chester, and North Wales Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1878.

Bodmin and Wadebridge, and Delabole Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1878.

Cornwall Mineral and Bodmin and Wadebridge Junction Railway (Abandonment) Act, 1878.

Admiralty, 27th March, 1878.

Fleet Surgeon James Whicher, M.D., has been promoted to the rank of Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 8th March, 1878.

Staff Surgeon James Thomson has been promoted to the rank of Fleet Surgeon in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 16th March, 1878.

Admiralty, 28th March, 1878.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 21st July, 1876, the undermentioned Officers have been allowed to assume the rank of Retired Captain from the 25th instant:—

Retired Commander:
Edward Stubbs.
William Spratt.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
29th March, 1878.*

Brigade Depot, Brevet Colonel William Henry Kerr, from half-pay as Lieutenant-Colonel, late 82nd Foot, to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 30th March, 1878.

MEMORANDUM.

Major Æneas Gordon Blair, half-pay, late 14th Foot, retires from the Service by the surrender of his half-pay. Dated 30th March, 1878.

METALLIFEROUS MINES REGULATION ACT, 1872.

THE Right Honourable Richard Assheton Cross, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in pursuance of section 15 of "The Metalliferous Mines Regulation Act, 1872," has appointed the undermentioned Inspectors and Assistant Inspectors of Coal Mines to act as Inspectors of Metalliferous Mines:—

Inspectors.

Joseph Dickinson, Esq.
Thomas Wynne, Esq.
William Alexander, Esq.
Thomas Evans, Esq.