

(H. 6490.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, October 31, 1878.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Puerto Rico, stating that in consequence of yellow fever at St. Thomas, a quarantine of ten days will be imposed upon all vessels arriving from thence, but that mail steamers from Europe, which transfer their mails and passengers without communicating with the island, will be exempt from such quarantine.

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*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, October 31, 1878.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Tenerife, enclosing the following extracts from a Royal Spanish Decree of the 30th November, 1872, respecting the sanitary treatment to which vessels arriving in Spain are liable:—

"Ships arriving from unhealthy or suspected ports, or that convert through any circumstances their original clean bills of health into foul ones, although they may effect discharges in other clean ports, or complete their voyage, preserve in principle the foul bills of health and character of the said compromised ports they started from as long as they have not purified themselves either abroad or in Spain according to the quarantine which is required by our laws."

"Every vessel arriving from an unhealthy or suspected port, or that may have been admitted to pratique in other intermediate ports of the same description, which, as soon as a complete discharge shall be effected in a clean port without the quarantine cleansing established by our laws and not communicating afterwards in any suspected or foul port, sails with a new cargo not contagious or in ballast for our ports, if she arrive with a clean bill of health, good hygienic conditions, and without any suspicious incident on board, may be submitted to three days' observation with ventilation and fumigations."

The same treatment is applicable to a vessel which, leaving in ballast unhealthy or suspected ports and without touching at compromised ports, shall proceed to Spain, arriving with the same conditions as above pointed out.

The Decree in question is still operative and its provisions appear to be literally enforced in the Canary Islands.

Admiralty, 28th October, 1878.

Royal Marines.

The following promotions have taken place in the Royal Marine Light Infantry, viz. :—

Lieutenant Edward Selby Innes to be Captain, vice Lecky, retired, physically unfit for further service. Dated 9th October, 1878.

Lieutenant and Assistant Musketry Instructor Augustus Bury Liardet to be Captain, vice Tully, retired, physically unfit for further service. Dated 19th October, 1878.

Admiralty, 29th October, 1878.

Acting Chief Engineer Edward Highman Willey has been confirmed in his rank as Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 12th July, 1878.

India Office, 31st October, 1878.

HER Majesty has been pleased to approve of the following admissions to Her Majesty's Indian Staff Corps, made by the Governments in India.

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenants.

Lieutenant William Lambert, 70th Foot. Dated 12th November, 1878.

Lieutenant Archibald Ross Murray, 9th Foot. Dated 15th April, 1874.

Lieutenant Charles Henry Westmorland, 65th Foot. Dated 21st September, 1874.

MADRAS STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenant.

Lieutenant George Penry Montague Prichard, 56th Foot. Dated 9th August, 1875.

War Office, 1st November, 1878.

MILITIA.

MEMORANDUM.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to approve of a Corps of Engineer Militia being formed and raised at Portsmouth, with the designation "Engineer Militia, Portsmouth, Submarine Miners." Dated 31st October, 1878.

ARTILLERY.

Royal Lancashire.

John Caister, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

INFANTRY.

2nd Royal Cheshire.

George Francis Christian, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

West Essex.

Lieutenant Henry Lyndhurst Beckett resigns his Commission. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

Francis Marmaduke Henry Sandford, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

Hampshire.

William Carmichael Hawker, Gent., to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

1st Royal Lancashire.

Lieutenant Francis Edmund George Astley, from the Royal North Lincoln Militia, to be Lieutenant. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

Royal East Middlesex.

Lieutenant Ernest James Hall Appleyard to be Captain. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

West Suffolk.

Lieutenant-Colonel William Julius Marshall is granted the honorary rank of Colonel. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

Worcester.

Francis Patrick Vane to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 2nd November, 1878.

The Royal Aberdeenshire Highlanders.

The Honourable Ion Grant Neville Keith-Falconer to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 2nd November, 1878.