War Office, August 23, 1879.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to signify Her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross upon the undermentioned Officer of Her Majesty's Army, whose claim has been submitted for Her Majesty's approval, for an act of bravery performed by him during the War against the Zulus, as recorded against his name:—

Regiment.	Name.	Act of Courage for which recommended.			
9th Lancers	Captain Lord William Beresford	For gallant conduct in having at great personal risk, during the retirement of the reconnoitring party across the "White Umvolosi River" on 3rd July last, turned to assist Sergeant Fitzmaurice, 1st Battalion 24th Foot (whose horse had fallen with him), mounted him behind him on his horse, and brought him away in safety under the close fire of the Zulus who were in great force, and coming on quickly. Lord William Beresford's position was rendered most dangerous from the fact that Sergeant Fitzmaurice twice nearly pulled him from his horse.			

(H. 6216.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), Whitehall Gardens, September 9, 1879.

Whitehall Gardens, September 9, 1879. THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Notice issued by the Italian Government stating that the quarantine imposed on all arrivals from the ports and landing places of Morocco has been removed.

Admiralty, 5th September, 1879.

Royal Marine Forces.

THE following promotion, dated 7th July, 1879, has taken place in the Royal Marine Light Infantry, viz.—

Lieutenant Frederick Burton Drury to be Captain, vice Kennicott, retired under Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 22nd February, 1870, and 5th February, 1872.

Admiralty, 6th September, 1879.

The Reverend Arthur Castell Wright, M.A., Chaplain and Acting Naval Instructor in Her Majesty's Fleet, has been confirmed as Naval Instructor in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 15th March, 1879.

Admiralty, 9th September, 1879.

In accordance with the provisons of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 21st July, 1876—Retired Commander the Honourable Frederick William Charteris, having attained fifteen years' seniority as Commander, has been authorized to assume the rank and title of Retired Captain from the 31st ultimo.

EXCHEQUER BILLS.

THE Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice to the holders of Exchequer Bills issued under the authority of the Act 29 V., c. 25, and dated the 11th March, 1877, 11th March, 1878, and 11th March, 1879 respectively, that the Interest thereon for the half year ending on the 11th September, 1879, will be payable at the Bank of England, on and after the 11th instant; and that the Interest of such Exchequer Bills for the following half year, to 11th March, 1880, will be at the rate of two per centum per annum.

Treasury Chambers, Whitehall, September 2, 1879.

Treasury Chambers, September 6, 1879.

THE Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, with the concurrence of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, hereby gives notice that the following situation in the Department of the General Prisons Board (Ireland) is added to Schedule B of the Order in Council of 4th June, 1870, viz.:—

The situation of Bridewell Keeper when held by a pensioned member of the Royal Irish Constabulary or Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Civil Service Commission, September 9, 1879. NOTICE.

THE Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice in pursuance of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd March, 1879, that, with the consent of the Lords of the Treasury, they have prescribed the following scale of fees to be paid by all Candidates before they will be qualified to attend examinations respecting whom nominations may be received by the said Commissioners after the 1st day of October next: except examinations for which fees have already been fixed, and examinations for which other fees may hereafter by similar notice be prescribed.

SCALE OF FEES.

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NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 118.)—Scotland.—West Coast. Clyde River.

(1.) Fixed Light in Gourock Bay.

INFORMATION has been received, that a floating swimming bath is now moored in Gourock Bay, within the line of its outer points.

From the outer extremity of this bath, a fixed white light is exhibited.

(2.) Occulting Light off Garvel Point.
Information has been received from the Clyde
Lighthouse Trust, that a light-vessel has been