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Foreign Office, November 18, 1879.

IT is hereby notified that the Marquis of Salisbury, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has received, from the British Vice-Consul at San Domingo, an official copy of a Decree of the Dominican Government, dated the 14th day of October, 1879, closing the ports of Porto Plata and Monte Christi to commerce in general, in consequence of the rebellion which has taken place in the first of the above-named places.

The following is a copy of the Decree:—

(Translation.)

CESAREO GUILLERMO,
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC.

WHEREAS the city of Porto Plata has disregarded the authority of the legitimate Government of the Republic by pronouncing itself in a state of rebellion.

Decrees

THE ports of Porto Plata and Monte Christi are closed to commerce in general, and all vessels arriving to the aforesaid ports are liable to the laws on blockade, which laws are to be in force in fifteen days from this date for vessels proceeding from the West Indies, in thirty days for vessels proceeding from the American Continent, and in forty-five days for vessels proceeding from Europe.

Given at St. Domingo, the 14th day of October.

(Signed) **CESAREO GUILLERMO.**

Foreign Office, November 21, 1879.

THE Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has received from Her Majesty's Ambassador at Rome a copy of a declaration signed by the latter with the Italian Government on the 11th instant, providing for the prolongation, subject to the approval of the Italian Parliament, of the Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Great Britain and Italy of the 6th of August, 1863, until the 31st of December, 1880.

Colonial Office, November 19, 1879.

THE following Despatch, with its Enclosures, has been received from the Right Honourable Sir

Bartle Frere, G.C.B., &c., Governor of the Cape Colony:—

Government House, Cape Town,

October 25, 1879.

SIR,

I HAVE the honour to forward a supplementary return of casualty in the colonial forces from 16th to 22nd July, 1879, and a return of casualties during the month of September, 1879.

I have, &c.,

H. B. E. FRERE, Governor.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

Supplementary Return of Casualty which has occurred in the Auxiliary Forces of the Cape of Good Hope, between the 16th and 22nd July, 1879.

Private John Collison, Cape Mounted Rifles, died of acute phthisis, 17th July, Hospital, Kokstadt. Address of nearest relative, Captain Collison, Cape Town.

W. F. D. COCHRANE, Captain.

A. A.-G. Colonial Forces.

October 13, 1879.

Supplementary Return of Casualties which have occurred in the Auxiliary Forces of the Cape of Good Hope, between the 1st September and 1st October, 1879.

Private Edward Toomey, 1st Cape Mounted Yeomany, died 10th September, from wounds received on 5th June, Thomas' Shop Hospital. (G. Troop), employed in his civil capacity by the East London Boating Company.

Private Groot Boom, Basuto Contingent, gunshot wound, 10th September, Morosi's Mountain.

Private J. H. Woodland, Cradock Mounted Volunteers, sprained ankle, 27th September, Morosi's Mountain.

Private John Fortein, 2nd Stockenstrom Contingent, gunshot wound in leg, 27th September, Morosi's Mountain.

Rootate, Herschel Native Levy, dislocation shoulder joint, 27th September, Morosi's Mountain.

Oway, Herschel Native Levy, assegai wound (arm), 27th September, Morosi's Mountain.

W. F. D. COCHRANE, Captain,

A. A.-G. Colonial Forces.

October 13, 1879.