

Commerce, and, if so, what is the amount of that reduction.

A Decree of the 2nd August, 1880, published in the Journal Officiel of the 7th of the same month, reduces to 55 and to 30 centimes the dues originally fixed at 75 and at 45 centimes.

I beg to draw your attention to the tenor of the following paragraphs contained in the said Decree:—

ART. 2. The special tonnage duty, established at the Port of Havre in virtue of the laws of the 12th July, 1865, 22nd July, 1870, and 5th August, 1854, is modified and fixed as follows:—

	Per ton measurement.
French and foreign vessels coming from all countries (other than coasting vessels)	frs. 0.55
This duty for ships of all flags laden with cereals, coal, pine wood, or ice, wholly or in the proportion of nine-tenths is reduced to ...	0.30

Exemption from these duties is accorded to French vessels employed in the coasting trade, to vessels of all flags calling and leaving without having loaded, unloaded, or transhipped, and to vessels which having entered in ballast shall leave in ballast.

I beg to add that the new taxes will be levied from the 10th August, 1880.

The President of the Chamber of Commerce,
F. MALLET.

(H. 6316).

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, September 30, 1880.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Notice issued by the Portuguese Government, declaring the port of Pernambuco infected with, and all the other ports of that Province suspected of, yellow fever since the 20th August last.

India Office, 30th September, 1880.

THE Queen has approved the following promotions among the Officers of the Staff Corps, and Indian Military Services made by the Government in India:—

BENGAL STAFF CORPS.

To be Majors.

Captain Thomas Renny Cowie. Dated 4th July, 1880.

Captain Elliot Alexander Money. Dated 16th July, 1880.

To be Captains.

Lieutenant Charles Grenville Mansel. Dated 8th July, 1880.

Lieutenant Charles Thomas Bingham. Dated 8th July, 1880.

Lieutenant Charles Arthur Rose Sage. Dated 8th July, 1880.

Lieutenant Francis Forsyth Robert Burgess. Dated 8th July, 1880.

Lieutenant Charles James Jamieson. Dated 8th July, 1880.

Lieutenant Cathcart Dempster. Dated 9th July, 1880.

Lieutenant Edward Bruce. Dated 10th July, 1880.

Lieutenant James Frank Rivett-Carnac. Dated 22nd July, 1880.

BENGAL ARMY.

INFANTRY.

To be Majors.

Captain Henry John Peet. Dated 26th June, 1880.

Captain Sullivan Edward Becher. Dated 7th July, 1880.

MADRAS STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel.

Major Richard Carruthers Budd. Dated 20th July, 1880.

BOMBAY STAFF CORPS.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel.

Major Spencer Rimington. Dated 20th July, 1880.

To be Major.

Captain Charles Hay. Dated 27th June, 1880.

BREVET.

To be Lieutenant-Colonel.

Major Francis Sawbridge Cherry, Madras Cavalry, in succession to Lieutenant-General B. R. Powell, Bombay Infantry, retired. Dated 3rd May, 1880.

To be Majors.

Captain (now Major) Charles Walter Babington, Bengal Infantry, in succession to Lieutenant-General Powell. Dated 3rd May, 1880.

Captain (now Major) Joseph George Thomson Carruthers, Bengal Infantry, in succession to Lieutenant-General G. M. Hill, Bengal Staff Corps, retired. Dated 25th May, 1880.

Whitehall, September 30, 1880.

THE Secretary of State for the Home Department hereby gives notice, that the School Board for Gateshead Day Industrial School, at Windmill Hills, Gateshead, has been certified by him as fit to be a Day Industrial School for the purposes of "The Elementary Education Act, 1876," and the Order in Council of 20th March, 1877.

Civil Service Commission, October 1, 1880.

IN pursuance of the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 12th February, 1876, the Civil Service Commissioners hereby announce that the undermentioned Appointments, Transfers, and Promotions in the Civil Service, were notified to them in the month of September, 1880:—

APPOINTMENTS.

Admiralty, James Webber Elliott to be Dockyard Writer.

British Museum, Charles Hercules Read to be First Class Assistant.

Consular Service, Henry Thomas Carew Hunt to be Vice-Consul at Port-au-Prince.

Factories and Workshops Department, Arthur Powys Vaughan to be Inspector.

India Office, Albert Duncan Macmillan to be Second Class Clerk in the Registry Branch.

Metropolitan Police Courts, Stanley Saville to be Clerk.

Post Office, Herbert Simon Carey to be Clerk in the Secretary's Office.

Prisons' Department (England), John Henry Pike to be Second Class Clerk.

Prisons' Department (Scotland), William Calder to be Clerk.

Science and Art Department, Frederick William Rudler to be Registrar, Librarian, and Curator in the Museum of Practical Geology.

Trade, Board of, George Beall to be Principal Consultative Examiner.

Alexander King to be Temporary Clerk in the Mercantile Marine Office at Glasgow.