

Consul at Hong Kong, and of Mr. J. P. E. Lavenère as Consul for the Cape of Good Hope, for the French Republic; of Mr. H. L. Hayman as Consul at Birmingham for His Majesty the King of the Belgians; of Mr. John Bovey as Consul at Cardiff for the United States of Venezuela; and of Mr. J. Joaquin Perez O as Consul at Manchester for the United States of Colombia.

Whitehall, May 9, 1881.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal, appointing General Sir William Fenwick Williams of Kars, Bart., G.C.B., to be Constable of the Tower of London, in the room of Field-Marshal Sir Charles Yorke, deceased.

The Queen has also been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal, appointing General Sir William Fenwick Williams of Kars, Bart., G.C.B., to be Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum of the Tower Hamlets, in the room of Field-Marshal Sir Charles Yorke, deceased.

Whitehall, May 9, 1881.

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto the Reverend David Melville, M.A., the place and dignity of a Canon of the Cathedral Church of Worcester, void by the resignation of the Reverend Sir Gilbert Frankland Lewis, Bart., M.A.

Whitehall, May 9, 1881.

THE Queen has been pleased to constitute and appoint George Philips Alexander, Earl of Caithness, to be Lieutenant of the shire of Caithness, in the room of James, Earl of Caithness, deceased.

Downing Street, May 7, 1881.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Andrew Currie, Esq., to be a Member of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements.

Clarence House, May 10, 1881.

THE Duke of Edinburgh has been pleased to appoint Captain Francis Harwood Poore, Royal Marine Artillery, to be Equerry in Waiting to His Royal Highness.

*Education Department, Whitehall,
May 7, 1881.*

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the compulsory formation of a School Board in the undermentioned Parish:—

Kirkleatham York

(H. 3492.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, May 7, 1881.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Notice issued by the Spanish authorities announcing that in consequence of plague all vessels arriving after the 20th April last from the coasts of Turkey and the Red Sea will be subjected to seven days' quarantine in Spanish ports.

Admiralty, 6th May, 1881.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 30th April,

1877, the undermentioned Engineers have this day been placed on the Retired List of their rank—

George Duncan.
Joshua Smith.

Royal Marine Forces.

The following promotion, dated 27th April, 1881, has taken place in the Royal Marine Light Infantry, viz:—

Lieutenant Boyd Cullen Poley Hamilton to be Captain, vice Dwyer, deceased.

Admiralty, 7th May, 1881.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of the 22nd February, 1870, and 29th November, 1879—

Lieutenant George Keith Gordon has this day been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank and title of Retired Commander.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 30th April, 1877—

Engineer John Franklin has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 29th ultimo.

Admiralty, 9th May, 1881.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 1st April, 1881—

Fleet Surgeon Charles John Fennell has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from this date.

War Office, Pall Mall.

10th May, 1881.

Staff, Captain Morgan Samuel Crofton, 38th Foot, to be Aide-de-Camp to Major-General A. McLan McDonald, Commanding the Troops North British District. Dated 1st June, 1881.

The undermentioned Officers have been permitted to resume the appointments which they vacated on proceeding on active service to South Africa:—

Major-General Edward Newdigate, C.B., as a Major-General on the Staff to command the Troops South-Eastern District. Dated 4th May, 1881.

Colonel Thomas Elliott Hughes, Royal Artillery, to be Assistant Adjutant-General Royal Artillery at Head Quarters. Dated 20th April, 1881.

India Office, 10th May, 1881.

THE following appointment to his personal Staff has been made by the Viceroy and Governor-General of India:—

Lieutenant A. W. Perry, Rifle Brigade, Extra Aide-de-Camp, to be Aide-de-Camp, vice Lieutenant E. L. S. Brett, Scots Guards, whose services have at his own request been replaced at the disposal of the Commander-in-Chief. Dated 1st March, 1881.

The following appointments to the Staff of the Army in Bengal have been made by the Government of India:—

Lieutenant-Colonel G. E. L. S. Sanford, R.E., Deputy Quartermaster-General, Intelligence Branch, to be Deputy Quartermaster-General, vice Major-General C. M. MacGregor, C.B., C.S.I., C.I.E., appointed Quartermaster-General. Dated 19th November, 1880.