Whitehall, March 29, 1882.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to grant to Frederick Gelderd (formerly Frederick Somervell), of Oak Lawn, in the parish of Reigate and county of Surrey, and late of Hazelthwaite, in the county of Westmoreland, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority that he and his issue (excepting Maud Mary Somerville, Gelderd, his daughter by Mary Agnes, his late wife) may take and use the surname of Somervell in addition to and after that of Gelderd, and be called and known by the names of Gelderd-Somervell:

Providing that the same be first duly recorded in Her Majesty's College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal concession and permission to be void

and of none effect.

(C. 1170.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,

April 12, 1882.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a note from the Turkish Ambassador in London, stating that, in conformity with the new regulations applicable to the Consulates of the Sublime Porte in foreign countries, all documents issuing from Turkish Consulates on and after the 13th instant will require to have special stamps affixed corresponding in number to the amount of the fee charged, and that any document not so stamped will be treated as null and void by the Imperial authorities.

(C. 1207.)

Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,

April 13, 1882.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Law of the Portuguese Government, dated the 27th ultimo, increasing the import duties on cereals, tea, unrefined sugar, petroleum, spirits, &c., and abolishing the tax on cereals of 40 reis per 30 kilogrammes imposed by the law of the 26th March, 1878, and the duties on cereals levied in the Tariff of the Lisbon Octroi.

The following is a translation of the Schedule of Duties imposed by the new Law:—

Articles of Merchandize.	Unit.	Reis.	
Wheat, in grain	Kilog.	10	
in flour	do.	16	
	do.	19	
Maize and Rye, in grain		- 1	
", in flour …	do.	11	
Barley and Oats, in grain	do.	8	
", ", in flour …	do.	9	
Bread, baked	do.	12	
Beans	do.	8	
Tea	do.	800	
Sugar, unrefined	do.	90	
Petroleum, raw, pure or refined,			
and residues thereof	do.	50	
Oils, fixed, liquid, not specified			
in the tariff	do.	70	
fied in the tariff	5 per cent.		
1	Decalitre)	2222	
Brandy and Alcohol, plain	of Pure }	2000	
. (Alcohol)		
Brandy and Alcohol, prepared Decalitre			
in any vessels, and plain in (of the	2000	
bottles, flasks, flagons, and		2000	
other similar vessels	Liquid .		
Gin	do.	2000	
	do.	2000	
Cognac	do.	2000	
Liqueurs	uo.	4000 1	

(H. 3226.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), Whitehall Gardens, April 14, 1882.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs copies of Notices issued by the Portuguese Government, declaring the Island of Trinidad free from yellow fever since the 16th January last, and the Port of Rio de Janiero infected with, and all the other ports of that province suspected of, the same disease since the 27th February last.

Admiralty, 14th April, 1882.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Colonel-Commandant George Bayles Heastey has been placed on the Retired List, period of command having expired. Dated 13th April, 1882.

Colonel Second Commandant Horatio Charles Nelson Blanckley to be Colonel-Commandant. Dated 13th April, 1882.

Lieutenant-Colonel Francis William Thomas to be Colonel Second Commandant. Dated 13th

April, 1882.

Major Gustavus Francis Munro to be Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 13th April, 1882.

Captain Richard Burton Deane retires upon a gratuity. Dated 12th April, 1882.

War Office, Pall Mall, 14th April, 1882.

Staff, Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel Frederick George Ravenbill, Royal Artillery, to be a Colonel on the Staff of the Army as Inspector and Purchaser of Horses, Royal Artillery. Dated 1st April, 1882.

Captain and Brevet Major Matthew Nisbett G. Kane, Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, the Duke of Albany's), to be a Brigade Major on the Staff of the Army, vice Captain T. B. Hitchcock, the King's (Shropshire Light Infantry, who vacates that appointment. Dated 15th April, 1882.

African Commissariat, Deputy Commissary Francis Egerton Bennett to be Commissary, vice H. F. Blissett, C.M G., retired. Dated 17th March, 1882.

Assistant Commissary Robert Poole Gabbett to be Deputy Commissary, vice F. E. Bennett. Dated 17th March, 1882.

India Office, 14th April, 1882.

THE Queen has approved of the retirement from Her Majesty's Indian Military Forces of the undermentioned Officers:—

Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel William Thompson, Madras Cavalry. Dated 1st February, 1882.

Surgeon - Major Edric Selous, M.D., Bengal Medical Establishment. Dated 1st February, 1882

Surgeon-Major George Coates Bell, M.D., Bombay Medical Establishment. Dated 13th April, 1882.

The undermentioned Officers are granted a step of Honorary Rank on retirement:—

To be Colonel.

Lieutenant-Colonel William Thompson, Madras
Cavalry. Dated 1st February, 1882.

To be Deputy Surgeons-General.

Brigade Surgeon Theobald Ringer, M.D., Bengal
Medical Establishment. Dated 21st September, 1881.