have authorised and appointed, and do by these presents authorise and appoint, you, the said George William Wilshere, Baron Bramwell, Sir John Coode, Alexander William Williamson, Francis Stephen Bennet François de Chaumont, Thomas Stevenson, and James Abernethy, to be Our Commissioners for the purposes aforesaid.

And for the better effecting the purposes of this Our Commission, We do by these presents give and grant unto you, or any three or more of you, full power to call before you such persons as you shall judge likely to afford you any information upon the subject of this Our Commission; and also to call for, have access to, and examine all such books, documents, registers and records, as may afford you the fullest information on the subject, and to enquire of and concerning the premises by all other lawful ways and means whatsoever.

And We do further by these presents authorise and empower you, or any three or more of you, to visit and personally inspect such places as you may deem expedient for the more effectual carry-

ing out of the purposes aforesaid.

And We do by these presents will and ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you, Our said Commissioners, or any three or more of you, may from time to time proceed in the execution thereof and of every matter and thing therein contained, although the same be not continued from time to time by adjournment.

And We further ordain that you, or any three or more of you, may have liberty to report your proceedings under this Our Commission, from time to time, if you shall judge it expedient so to do.

And Our further will and pleasure is, that you do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us, under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any three or more of you, your opinion upon the several matters herein submitted for your consideration.

And for the purpose of aiding you in such matters We hereby appoint Our trusty and well-beloved William Pole, Esq., Fellow of the Royal Society and Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, Member of the Council of the Institution of Civil Engineers, to be Secretary to this Our Commission.

Given at Our Court at Saint James's, the twenty-second day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, in the forty-sixth year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,

W. V. Harcourt.

Foreign Office, June 19, 1882.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Charles Elliott Anderson as Consul-General for the Dominion of Canada, to reside at Ottawa, for the King of the Hawaiian Islands; of Mr. Alberto de Guerrico as Consul-General in England for the Argentine Republic; of Mr. James Low as Consul at Clifton, Canada, of Mr. James M. Wilson as Consul at Three Rivers, Quebec, and of Mr. Robert S. Chilton as Consul at Fort Erie for the United States of America; of Mr. Sonoda Kokichi as Consul in London for His Imperial Majesty the Mikado; of Mr. José Dolores Landaeta as Consul at Trinidad for the United States of Venezuela; and of Mr. Paul Liepmann as Consul at Glasgow for the Republic of Nicaragua.

Downing Street, June 20, 1882.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Cavendish Boyle, Esq., to be Colonial Secretary of the Bermudas or Somers Islands, and a Member of the Council of those Islands.

Whitehall, June 23, 1882.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland granting unto George Edward Cokayne, Esq., Lancaster Herald, the office of Norroy King of Arms and Principal Herald of the North parts of England, vacant by the promotion of Walter Aston Blount, Esq., to the office of Clarenceux King of Arms.

(C. 1893.) Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens, June 22, 1882.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Athens, announcing that a Bill has passed through the Greek Chamber of Deputies for the purpose of raising the Customs duties on goods imported into Greece by 10 per cent.

(C. 1895.) Board of Trade, Whitehall Gardens,
June 22, 1882.

THE Board of Trade have received from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister at Lisbon, announcing that by a Law of the Portuguese Government, dated the 7th instant, Tariff B, annexed to the Franco-Portuguese Treaty of the 19th December, 1881, as well as the rates of duties stipulated in the additional Convention to that Treaty of the 6th May of this year, are to be applied to the merchandize of any country, and that the Tariff in question will be in lieu of Tariff B of the Franco-Portuguese Treaty of the 11th July, 1866, the benefit of which was extended to Great Britain by the law of the 26th January, 1876.

Admiralty, 20th June, 1882.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Orders in Council of 22nd February, 1870, and 30th April, 1877—Chief Engineer George Wynhall has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

Admiralty, 21st June, 1882.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 30th April, 1877—Engineer Thomas Scott (b) has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881—Surgeon Percy Kinburn Cree has been placed on the Retired List of his rank from the 19th instant.

Admiralty, 22nd June, 1882.

Royal Marine Light Infantry.

Captain Charles Surtees Chapman Webb to be Mejor. Dated 8th June, 1882.

War Office, Pall Mall,
23rd June, 1882.

Royal Artillery, Lieutenant-Colonel John Robert
King retires upon retired pay, with the honorary rank of Colonel. Dated 24th June, 1882.