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TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 1883.

Foreign Office, May 28, 1883.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Henry George Gerald Cadogan, Esq., to be a Third Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Downing Street, June 23, 1883.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Francis Fleming, Esq., to be Her Majesty's Advocate for the Island of Ceylon.

Crown Office, June 25, 1883.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

City of Peterborough.

Sydney Charles Buxton, Esq., in the place of George Hampden Whalley, Esq., who has accepted the office of Steward of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead.

Foreign Office, June 23, 1883.

THE following Notice relative to the establishment of a line of steamers between Aracajú (Brazil) and Liverpool (calling at Lisbon, Havre, and Antwerp) has been received from Her Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Rio de Janeiro: —

DIRECT NAVIGATION. .

HIS Excellency the President of the Province, in virtue of the authorization granted by the Provincial Resolution No. 1,260, of the 12th April of this year, orders a competition to be opened inviting the presentation of tenders for contracting the direct navigation by steam from the port of Aracajá, the capital of the said province (Sergipe), to Liverpool, Lisbon, Havre, and Antwerp, the proponents having in view the following conditions :--

I. The navigation shall be effected from Aracajú to Liverpool, touching at Lisbon, Havre, and Antwerp. The contractor may call at other ports should it suit him to do so.

II. The contractor will be bound to have steamers especially adapted for transatlantic navigation between the port of Aracajú and the abovementioned ports, presenting on the occasion of the respective contract the drawings and plans of the

steamers intended for the service, of which their draught of water when loaded must not exceed 9 to 10 feet. III. Twelve round voyages shall be made annually, one each month, to the above-mentioned ports and vice versâ.

IV. The prices, both of passages and freight, shall be regulated by a table, subject to the approval of the President of the Province.

V. The freights which have to be paid by the Provincial Government for colonists, as well as the passages for immigrants who are destined for the province, shall be paid with an abatement of 20 per cent. on the amount of the same.

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VII. The term of the aforesaid navigation shall last for the space of ten years, and shall commence within one year, reckoning from the signing of the contract.

VIII. For the advantages accruing from the navigation and the conditions above stated, the contractor shall receive from the Provincial coffers an annual subvention of as much as 40,000\$000, paid monthly.

IX. In the contract treated of, penalties of fine and rescision of the contract are threatened for the infractions of the respective stipulations and clauses, save in cases of "force majeure."

X. The contract may be transferred to a person either in or out of the Empire.

XI. The Presidency, in accord with the contractor, will establish in the respective contract other conditions which it may consider necessary for the well doing of the navigation.

XII. The tenders for the contract should be presented in this Secretary's office, on the 9th day of July of this year, up to the hour of noon, under closed covers, written out according to the above prescription, in clear and precise terms.

XIII. No tender will be received before the presenter shall prove his having paid into the coffers of the Provincial Treasury the security of 800\$ to guarantee his signature of the respective contract.

XIV. The security treated of shall revert, in favour of the Provincial coffers, should the party whose tender shall have been accepted refuse to sign the contract.

Secretary's Office of the Government of the Province of Sergipe, in Aracajú, the 9th May, 1883. The Secretary,

L. C. SILVA LISBOA.