

in their calling, owing to the use of the trawl-net and beam-trawl in the territorial waters of the United Kingdom; and to ascertain how far these complaints are well founded, and whether any and what legislative remedy can be adopted without interfering with the cheap and plentiful supply of fish.

Now know ye, that We, reposing great trust and confidence in your ability and discretion, have nominated, constituted, and appointed, and do by these presents nominate, constitute, and appoint you the said John William, Earl of Dalhousie, Edward Marjoribanks, Thomas Henry Huxley, William Sproston Caine, and Thomas Francis Brady to be Our Commissioners for the purposes of the said inquiry. And for the purpose of enabling you, Our Commissioners, to make the said inquiries, We do hereby authorize you, and empower you, or any three or more of you, to invite such persons as you may judge most competent, by reason of their situation, knowledge, or experience, to afford you correct information on the subject of this inquiry, to attend before you, and bring with them all such books, documents, papers, accounts, &c., as may appear to you, or any three or more of you, calculated to assist you in the execution of the trust hereby reposed in you.

And We do further by these Presents authorize and empower you, or any three or more of you, to visit and personally inspect such places in Our United Kingdom as you may judge expedient for the more effectual carrying out of the purposes aforesaid.

And We further ordain that you, or any three or more of you, may have liberty to report to Us 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 three or more of you, your opinion upon the several matters herein submitted for your consideration.

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

And for your assistance in the execution of these presents We do hereby authorize and empower you to appoint a Secretary to this, Our Commission, to attend you, whose services and assistance We require you to use from time to time as occasion may require.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the thirtieth day of *August*, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, in the forty-seventh year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,  
*W. V. Harcourt.*

*Whitehall, September 3, 1883.*

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Surgeon-Major Francis Bramley Baker, Grenadier Guards, late Senior Medical Officer of the Brigade of Guards in Egypt, Her Majesty's Royal licence and permission that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Third Class of the Order of the Medjidieh, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt has been pleased to confer upon him, in recognition of his services during the recent operations in that country.

*Whitehall, August 28, 1883.*

THE Queen has been pleased to grant unto Ralph Hilton Philipson, of New College, in the University of Oxford, Gentleman, Her Royal licence and authority, that he may, in compliance with a clause contained in the last will and testament of Ralph Dodds, late of Bentinck-terrace, in the borough and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Esquire, an Alderman, and in the Commission of the Peace of and for the said borough and county, take, assume, and use the surname of Dodds in addition to and before that of Philipson, and bear the arms of Dodds quarterly with those of his family; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the College of Arms, otherwise the said Royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And to command that the said Royal concession and declaration be recorded in Her Majesty's said College of Arms.

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*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),*

*Whitehall Gardens, September 4, 1883.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs information to the effect that the Roumanian Sanitary Office has imposed a quarantine of observation of ten days on all arrivals from Ottoman Ports.

*Admiralty, 31st August, 1883.*

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870, and 30th April, 1877—

Chief Engineer Thomas Edward Richards has this day been placed on the Retired List of his rank.

*Admiralty, 1st September, 1883.*

Staff Commander Edwin Wise has been promoted to the rank of Staff Captain in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 30th August, 1883.

The following promotions have been made:—  
Assistant Engineers:

Charles Underhill,  
John Kerr,  
Charles Edward Stewart (b),  
Thomas Whebby,  
William Bromley (b),  
William Alexander Duncan Whornby,  
Quentin William King,  
James Clarke Edmonds,  
Frank William Hawkins,  
William John Bevan,  
John Jones,  
James Lane,  
Harry Howard Meadus,

to be Engineers in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 1st September, 1883.

Assistant Engineers:

Thomas Thorne,  
John Robert James Pedrick,

to be Acting Engineers in Her Majesty's Fleet, with seniority of 1st September, 1883.

*Royal Marine Light Infantry.*

The undermentioned Gentlemen to be Lieutenants, with seniority of 1st September, 1883:—

Mr. Stephen Lushington Aplin.  
Mr. Percy Eyre Francis Hobbs.  
Mr. Evelyn Henry Orlebar.  
Mr. Ralph Charles Osborne Creagh.  
Mr. Gordon Vallancy Drury.