

- (1.) To proceed in the selection of families from the said districts, and their settlement in the Dominion of Canada:
- (2.) To provide from the funds at your disposal such advances to the settlers as may be necessary, and to undertake the collection of instalments of capital and interest in re-payment of the same:
- (3.) To take and hold mortgages on the lands, and liens on the chattels of the said settlers and to proceed in the recovery of debts:

And generally to do all such things and take all such proceedings, as may be requisite and necessary to enable you to carry out the purposes of this Our Commission.

And We do further by these presents authorize and empower you Our said Commissioners to obtain such clerical or other assistance, and to appoint such agents or other officers as you may from time to time deem requisite and necessary, upon such terms as regards remuneration as may be sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of Our Treasury.

And Our further will and pleasure is that you Our said Commissioners when and so often as need or occasion shall require, so long as this Our Commission shall continue in force, do report to Us in writing under your hands and seals all and every your several proceedings had by virtue of these presents.

And lastly We do by these presents ordain that this Our Commission shall continue in full force and virtue, and that you Our said Commissioners, or any three of you, shall and may from time to time, at any place or places, 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.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the twenty-fourth day of *December*, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight, in the fifty-second year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,
Lothian.

Foreign Office, December 1, 1888.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint the Right Honourable the Marquess of Dufferin and Ava, G.C.B., K.P., G.C.S.I., G.C.M.G., G.C.I.E., to be Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the King of Italy.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable William John George Napier, now Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Stockholm, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Tokio.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Hugh Gough, now Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Rio de Janeiro, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Stockholm.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Charles Fox Frederick Adam, Esq., a Second Secretary in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Rio de Janeiro.

Foreign Office, December 17, 1888.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Ernest Mason Satow, Esq., C.M.G., now Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General at Bangkok, to be Her Majesty's Minister Resident and Consul-General to the Oriental Republic of the Uruguay.

The Queen has also been graciously pleased to appoint Lieutenant Henry Edward O'Neill, R.N., to be Her Majesty's Consul for the Provinces of Lucca, Pisa, Leghorn (including the Island of Elba), and Grosseto, to reside at Leghorn.

Foreign Office, December 27, 1888.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Francis Stockinger as Consul-General at Bombay for His Majesty the Emperor of Austria.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. M. Pineus as Consul at Durban, Port Natal, for His Majesty the King of the Belgians.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Ernest Biesterfeld as Consul at Newcastle-upon-Tyne for His Majesty the King of the Hellenes.

The Queen has also been pleased to approve of Mr. Roberto J. Liton as Consul at Melbourne, Australia, for the Oriental Republic of Uruguay.

Whitehall, December 28, 1888.

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, constituting and appointing the Right Honourable George Francis Hamilton (commonly called Lord George Francis Hamilton; Admiral Sir Arthur William Acland Hood, K.C.B.; Admiral Sir Richard Vesey Hamilton, K.C.B.; Rear-Admiral John Ommanney Hopkins; Rear-Admiral Charles Frederick Hotbam, C.B.; and Ellis Ashmead Bartlett, Esq.; to be Her Majesty's Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the said United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Dominions, Islands, and Territories thereunto belonging.

(H. 8109.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 27, 1888.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 24th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Lisbon:—"Canary Islands free from yellow fever, but Island of Palma still infected."

(H. 8130.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 28, 1888.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 27th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Lisbon:—"Java declared to be infected with cholera and ports in Dutch possessions in Oceania suspected."

(S. 1494.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),
London, December 22, 1888.*

REGULATIONS to be observed by the Admirals, Masters, and Crews of the Fishing Smacks and Steam Carriers forming the Fleet of the Great Grimsby Ice Company Limited, made pursuant to the provisions of Section 10 of "The Merchant Shipping (Fishing Boats) Act, 1887."

WHEREAS the Great Grimsby Ice Company Limited, being an Association of Owners of Fishing Vessels engaged in fishing in the North Sea, have applied to the Board of Trade to make such Regulations respecting the conveyance of fish from trawlers to vessels engaged in collecting and