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*Foreign Office, April 8, 1901.*

IT is hereby notified for public information that the Marquess of Lansdowne, K.G., His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, has appointed a Commission for the purpose of investigating the claims to compensation which have been or may be made by persons the subjects of various friendly Powers in consequence of their deportation to Europe by the British Military Authorities in South Africa.

The following Gentlemen have been appointed Commissioners:—

Thomas Milvain, Esq., K.C., Chancellor of the County Palatine of Durham;

Major-General J. Upton Prior;

Major-General the Honourable H. F. Eaton;

C. A. Wilkins, Esq., late Judge of the High Court, Calcutta;

R. K. Loveday, Esq., formerly a Member of the Volksraad of the late South African Republic.

The Commission will consider the various claims which have been already brought to the notice of His Majesty's Government together with such others as may be presented to them hereafter by or on behalf of the claimants. They will meet in London and after hearing the cases submitted to them will proceed to South Africa with a view to continuing their investigations on the spot, and on their return to London will take any further evidence which these investigations may have shown to be necessary.

Due notice will be given in the London Gazette of the date on which the Commission will open its sittings.

It will be competent for the claimants to appear either in person or by Counsel and also for their respective Governments to be represented if they think fit before the Commission.

All claims should be filed at the Foreign Office on or before the 25th instant.

*Foreign Office, April 6, 1901.*

CLAIMS for Indemnities on account of recent events in China must be lodged with His Majesty's Minister at Peking before the 1st May.

*Whitehall, April 9, 1901.*

THE King has been pleased to give and grant unto John Falconer, Esq., Director of the Ports and Lighthouses Office of Suez, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept

and wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Imperial Order of the Medjidieh conferred upon him by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered to His Highness.

*Whitehall, April 9, 1901.*

THE King has been pleased to give and grant unto Francesco Borg Ruggier, Esq., Superintendent of the Floating Plant of the Port of Alexandria, and Nicola Famolaro, Esq., Surveyor of Tonnage of the Port of Alexandria, His Majesty's Royal licence and authority that they may respectively accept and wear the Insignia of the Fifth Class of the Imperial Order of the Medjidieh conferred upon them by His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, in recognition of valuable services rendered to His Highness.

(F. & H. 6054.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 6, 1901.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from His Majesty's Representative at Madrid, intimating that vessels from Smyrna and Voulah are admitted to free pratique if they arrive in sound hygienic condition without suspicious illness on board and with clean bill of health vised by Spanish Consul or, in absence of such Consul, by Consul of another nation.

(F. & H. 6055.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 6, 1901.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from His Majesty's Representative at Montevideo, intimating that disinfection is no longer required in cases of vessels from Paraguay.

(F. & H. 6056.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 6, 1901.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from His Majesty's Representative at Madrid, intimating that Mauritius and Reunion have been declared clean, owing to disappearance of plague.