of Sutton Coldfield is vested for an estate in fee simple without incumbrances in Sir Francis Charles Gore, Knight, Solicitor to the Board of Inland Revenue.

"And whereas the said Francis Charles Gore is desirous that the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Sutton Coldfield now vested in him as aforesaid should be transferred to and be vested in the Bishop for the time being of the said diocese of Birmingham.

"And whereas the Right Reverend Charles, now Bishop of the said diocese of Birmingham, is willing to accept such transfer and in token of such his willingness and also in token that the same transfer has that consent of the Bishop which by the Acts in the hereinbefore mentioned Act recited or by some or one of them is made necessary he the said Charles, Bishop of the said diocese of Birmingham, has executed this scheme as hereinafter mentioned.

"And whereas it appears to us that the transfer of the patronage of the said benefice of Sutton Coldfield which is hereinbefore mentioned and hereinafter recommended and proposed will tend to make better provision for the cure of souls in the parish or district in or in respect of which the right of patronage or advowson so recommended and proposed to be transferred as aforesaid arises or exists, that is to say, in the parish of Sutton Coldfield.

"Now therefore with the consent of the said Francis Charles Gore (in testimony whereof he has signed and sealed this scheme) and with the consent of the said Charles, Bishop of the said diocese of Birmingham (in testimony whereof he has signed this scheme and sealed the same with his episcopal seal), we the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners humbly recommend and propose that upon and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order the whole advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice of Sutton Coldfield now vested in him the said Francis Charles Gore as aforesaid shall be transferred from him to the said Charles, Bishop of the said diocese of Birmingham, and his successors Bishops of the same diocese, and shall thereupon and thenceforth become and be absolutely vested in and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the said Charles, Bishop of the said diocese of Birmingham, and by his successors, Bishops of the same diocese

"And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any further or other measures relating to the matters aforesaid or any of them in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts or of any of them or of any other Act of Parliament."

And whereas the said scheme has been approved by His Majesty in Council: now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His said Council, is pleased hereby to ratify the said scheme, and to order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately from and after the time when this Order shall have been duly published in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts; and His Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the said diocese of Birmingham.

A. W. FitzRoy.

Foreign Office, September 14, 1905.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint Claud Cecil Augustus Kirke, Esq., to be His Majesty's Vice-Consul at Peking.

Foreign Office, October 1, 1905

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint Herbert Guy Nevill Dering, Esq., to be a First Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office, October 23, 1905.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint—

Donald Andreas Cameron, Esq., to be His Majesty's Consul-General at Port Said, with jurisdiction over all the Coast-line east of Damietta Light to El-Arish, the Suez Maritime Canal, the banks of the Canal, including the towns of Isma'ilia and Suez; and

Captain Charles Francis Cromie to be His Majesty's Consul-General for French Western Africa, to reside at Dakar.

> Foreign Office, November 1, 1905.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint the Honourable Theo William Odo Villiers Russell and Granville-George Leveson-Gower, Earl Granville, M.V.O., to be First Secretaries in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

Foreign Office, November 4, 1905.

The KING has been graciously pleased to appoint Miles Wedderburn Lampson, Esq., to be an Acting Second Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service.

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

The Right Honourable Aretas Akers-Douglas, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in virtue of the powers conferred on him by section 53 of the Explosives Act, 1875, has appointed Sergeant James McNamee, 54,582, of the Royal Irish Constabulary, an Inspector for Ireland under the said Act.

Whitehall, 21st November, 1905.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, November 23, 1905. H. 14963.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram, dated November 21, from Ilis Majesty's Representative at Constantinople:—"Five days' for ordinary ships, ten days' for pilgrim ships quarantine imposed against Makalla on Hadramaut Coast."