several dates as follows, for the convenience and advantage of the public, namely the 26th March, 15th May, 13th September, 15th November, and the 23rd December (the dates on which the Fairs in the months named were originally held), and the second Friday in the months of February, April, June, August, and October:

And whereas notice of the said representation and of the time when the same would be taken into consideration has been duly published in pursuance of the Fairs Act, 1873:

And whereas on such representation and consideration it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the dates for the holding of the said Fairs should be further altered as desired :

Now therefore I, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by the Fairs Act, 1873, do hereby order that the said Fairs, the dates for the holding of which were, by the Order above referred to, altered to the second Friday in the months of February, March, April, May, June, August, September, October, November, and December respectively, shall in future be held annually on the 26th March, 15th May, 13th September, 15th November, and the 23rd December, and on the second Friday in the months of February, April, June, August, and October.

The Order of the 21st December, 1905, is. hereby revoked.

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 5th day of May, 1906.

H. J. Gladstone.

THE FAIRS ACT, 1873.

ORMSKIRK HORSE AND COW FAIRS.

Whereas on the 27th March, 1906, a representation was made to me, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the Ormskirk Urban District Council to the effect that Fairs have been annually held at Ormskirk, in the county of Lancaster, on the 10th and 11th days of September, namely a Horse Fair on the 10th and a Cow Fair on the 11th September, and that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the Cow Fair should in future be held on the second Monday in the month of September in each year, and the Horse Fair on the following day:

And whereas notice of the said representation and of the time when the same would be taken into consideration has been duly published in pursuance of the Fairs Act, 1873:

And whereas on such representation and consideration it appears to me that it would be for the convenience and advantage of the public that the dates for the holding of the said Fairs should be altered as desired :

Now therefore I, as Secretary of State for the Home Department, in exercise of the powers vested in me by the Fairs Act, 1873, do hereby order that the Horse Fair and the Cow Fair which have been annually held at Ormskirk, on the 10th and 11th days of September respectively, shall in future be held on the undermentioned days, namely, the Cow Fair on the

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second Monday in the month of September in each year, and the Horse Fair on the following day

Given under my hand at Whitehall, this 7th day of May, 1906.

H. J. Gladstone.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, May, 7, 1906. H. 5878.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following translation of a Decree which appeared in the Guatemalan Official Gazette of the 26th March last, imposing quarantine against arrivals from British Honduras, and Puerto Cortés, Republic of Honduras :---

Decree.

Executive Palace, Guatemala, March 20th, 1906.

The Constitutional President of the Republic decrees :---

That a rigorous quarantine be established against vessels arriving from British Honduras and Puerto Cortés to Ports of this Republic; and also that quarantine be established against Zacapa and Gualan in respect of the other Departments of the Republic. In order that the Political Heads of Departments and the Commandants of the said Ports may be able to dictate measures to ensure obedience to the Decree, they are empowered not only to impose the penalty of imprisonment on persons guilty of its infringement, but also to detain vessels whose masters have attempted to do so, for an indefinite period.

ESTRADA CABRERA.

The Board of Trade are further informed that in consequence of the outbreak of Yellow Fever at Puerto Cortés, all passenger traffic with the Interior, Ports of British Honduras, Guatemala, and Mexico has been suspended until further notice.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department),

London, May 7, 1906.

H. 5879.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Notices, which appeared in the "Moniteur Belge," notifying the imposition of sanitary measures on arrivals from Freemantle, Geraldton and Perth (West Australia), and from Paraguay, owing to outbreaks of plague:—

Peste à Freemantle, Perth et Geraldton (Australie occidentale).

Le Ministre de l'agriculture,

Vu l'arrêté royal du 5 avril 1897, relatif à la peste;

Vu l'existence de la peste, officiellement constatée à Freemantle, Geraldton et Perth (Australia occidentale),

Arrête :

Art. ler. Les dispositions qui font l'objet des articles ler à 4 de l'arrêté royal du 5 avril' 1897, susvisé, sont rendues applicables, à partir du 29