

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, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan, hath been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services whilst actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's dominions in the Egyptian Army.

Whitehall, September 28, 1885.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Captain Duncan Campbell Carter, R.A., Her Majesty's Royal licence and permission that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Fourth Class of the Order of the Medjidieh, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan, hath been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services whilst actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's dominions in the Egyptian Army.

(H. 6814.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, September 28, 1885.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Note from the Ambassador of Austria-Hungary, intimating that, in consequence of the existence of Asiatic cholera in Sicily, a reserve of observation of ten days has been established in Austro-Hungarian ports against arrivals from Sicily and the adjacent Islands.

(H. 6923.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, September 28, 1885.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Sofia:—"25th September—Ten days observation imposed in Bulgarian ports on arrivals from Spain, France, and Italy which have not (purged) quarantine at the Dardanelles."

(H. 6938.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, September 29, 1885.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Nice, dated the 22nd instant, reporting that quarantine has been abolished at that port on arrivals from Marseilles and Toulon.

(H. 6939.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, September 29, 1885.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Minister in Morocco, dated the 18th instant, reporting that the Morocco Board of Health has decided to impose a seven days quarantine of observation on arrivals, with clean bills of health, from ports of Italy and Sicily and of Algeria. Vessels with foul bills of health will be repelled.

(H. 6940.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
Whitehall Gardens, September 29, 1885.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at Lisbon, transmitting a Notice issued by the Portuguese Government, declaring the port of Macao infected with, and all other ports of the China Seas suspected of, cholera morbus since the 15th July.

Admiralty, 28th September, 1885.

Acting Chief Engineer George McEwen has been confirmed as Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 17th September, 1884.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 30th April, 1877—Engineer Henry Collier has been placed on the Retired List of his rank. Dated 23rd September, 1885.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
29th September, 1885.*

MEMORANDUM.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to approve of the 19th Hussars being in future designated the "19th (Princess of Wales's Own) Hussars," in recognition of the distinguished services of the Regiment in Egypt and the Soudan; and also of the Princess Charlotte of Wales's (Berkshire Regiment), being in future designated "Princess Charlotte of Wales's (Royal Berkshire Regiment), in recognition of the gallant conduct of the 1st Battalion of the Regiment, in the action at Tofrek, near Suakin, on the 22nd March, 1885.

Royal Engineers, Colonel Sir William Crossman, K.C.M.G., to be placed upon half-pay. Dated 1st October, 1885.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel Edward Robert Festing, upon the Permanent Reserve List, having completed five years' service as Regimental Lieutenant-Colonel, has retired, with the honorary rank of Major-General. Dated 22nd September, 1885.

The undermentioned Gentlemen Cadets, from the Royal Military Academy, to be Lieutenants. Dated 16th September, 1885:—

Gerald Ponsonby Lenox-Conyngham.
Robert Ernest Tomlin.
John Eugene Clauson.
George Alfred Travers.
Edward Leslie Dunsterville.
Thomas Arthur Hastings Bigge.
Edwin Henry de Vere Atkinson.
Dominic Henry Colnaghi.
Francis Joseph Beresford Gubbins.
John Henry Twiss.
Arthur Trevelyan Moore.
Herbert Prentice.
Eliot Philips Johnson.
Bertram Lutley Sclater.
Bertram Alfred James.
Walter Victor Scudamore.
Alexander John Henry Swiney.

Staff, Colonel S. Hackett, half-pay, to be a Colonel on the Staff in Cyprus. Dated 1st October, 1885.

Commission signed by the Lord Lieutenant of the County of Somerset.

The Honourable Charles Spencer Canning Boyle (commonly called Viscount Dungarvan) to be Deputy Lieutenant. Dated 26th September, 1885.

TREASURY WARRANT.

WE, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in pursuance of the Acts relating to Her Majesty's Post Office, and in exercise of all powers enabling us in this behalf, do, by this Warrant made on the representation of Her

Majesty's Postmaster - General (testified by his signing the same), and under the hands of two of us, the said Commissioners, order, direct, and declare as follows :—

Interpretation Clause.

1.—(1.) In this Warrant and the Schedule thereto the expressions "Parcels" and "Parcel," respectively, mean any postal packet which is posted or tendered for transmission by post as a parcel in accordance with the provisions of this Warrant, or any Warrant amending the same.

(2.) The expression "British India," includes Aden, the whole continent of India and British Burmah.

Places between which Parcels may be transmitted.

2. From and after the date when this Warrant comes into operation parcels may, subject to the provisions of this Warrant, be transmitted by

post between the several places mentioned in the Schedule hereto.

Rates of Postage.

3. On all parcels transmitted by post under this Warrant there shall be charged and paid the several rates of postage respectively specified in the Schedule hereto.

Provisions of other Warrants to apply.

4. Every such parcel shall be subject to the provisions of the respective Warrants of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury relating to the Parcel Post between the United Kingdom, and the several places mentioned in the Schedule hereto, so far as such provisions are applicable.

Commencement of Warrant.

5. This Warrant shall come into operation on the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five.

SCHEDULE of Rates of Postage.

	If not exceeding one pound in weight.	If exceeding one pound and not exceeding seven pounds in weight for the first pound and for every additional pound or fraction of a pound in weight.
On a parcel transmitted from—		
Gibraltar or Malta to British India ...	One shilling	One shilling
British India to Gibraltar or Malta ...	Eight annas	Eight annas
Gibraltar to Malta ... } ...	Seven pence	Seven pence
Malta to Gibraltar ... } ...		
Gibraltar or Malta to Straits Settlements } ...	Eight pence	Eight pence
Straits Settlements to Gibraltar or Malta } ...		
Gibraltar or Malta to Hong Kong ...	Eight pence halfpenny	Eight pence halfpenny
Hong Kong to Gibraltar or Malta ...	Twenty cents	Twenty cents
Gibraltar or Malta to Egypt		One shilling and three pence
Egypt		Seven pence half penny

Dated this 23rd day of September, 1885.

Sidney Herbert,
W. H. Walrond,

Two of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

John Manners,
Her Majesty's Postmaster-General.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(No. 160.)—FRANCE—WEST COAST.

(1.) *Gironde River Entrance—Alterations in Fairway Buoys.*

THE French Government has given notice, dated 21st August, 1885, that the following alterations have been made in the character of the fairway buoys marking the approaches to Passe du Nord and Passe de Sud, Gironde River entrance.

PASSE DU NORD.—The red buoy, with bell and reflector, has been replaced by a red buoy ten feet in diameter, fitted with an automatic whistle.

Position, lat. 45° 42' N., long. 1° 23' W.

PASSE DE SUD.—The conical buoy has been replaced by a pillar buoy, coloured red and black

in horizontal stripes, and fitted with a bell and reflector.

Position, lat. 45° 30' N., long. 1° 16' W.

SPAIN—SOUTH COAST—CADIZ BAY.

(2.) *Occulting Green Light on Los Cochinos.*

The Spanish Government has given notice, that on 8th July, 1885, a light was exhibited (experimentally at first) from the beacon on Los Cochinos, south side of entrance to Cadiz Bay :—

The light is an occulting green light every minute, visible twenty seconds and eclipsed forty seconds; it should be seen in clear weather from a distance of three miles.

The beacon has been increased in height, and is