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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1887.

Windsor Castle, December 8, 1887.

THIS day had audience of Her Majesty:—
His Excellency Count Corti, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from His Majesty the King of Italy, to present his Letter of Recall.

To which audience he was introduced by the Marquis of Salisbury, K.G., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

India Office, December 12, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Henry James Parsons, Esq., of the Bombay Civil Service, to the office of Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, in the place of Raymond West, Esq.

Downing Street, December 10, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Alexander Palmer MacEwen, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hong Kong.

Downing Street, December 12, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, altering the constitution of the Council of Government of the Island of Malta, and providing for the constitution of an Executive Council for the said Island.

Downing Street, December 13, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of John Finlayson, Esq., to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council of the Straits Settlements.

(H. 8482.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 12, 1887.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 10th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Athens:—
"Arrivals from Messina and from Italian Peninsula, from Gaeta to Cotrone, free from 5th December."

(H. 8510.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 13, 1887.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch, dated 9th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at The Hague, stating that Malta has been declared free from cholera from the 8th instant.

(H. 8512.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, December 13, 1887.*

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 10th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at St. Petersburg:—"Odessa quarantine on arrivals from Malta, Sicily, excepting Messina, has been raised."

Admiralty, 9th December, 1887.

Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers, Clyde Brigade
The Most Honourable the Marquess of Ailsa, Honorary Commander Royal Naval Artillery Volunteers, to be Lieutenant Commanding. Dated 9th December, 1887.

Admiralty, 10th December, 1887.

THE undermentioned Assistant-Paymasters have been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet:—
James Bramble. Dated 4th November, 1887.
Edward George Edwards. Dated 23rd November, 1887.

*War Office, Pall Mall,
13th December, 1887.*

14th Hussars, Lieutenant Henry Bodvel Lewis Hughes, from the 4th Battalion, the Bedfordshire Regiment, to be Second Lieutenant, in succession to Lieutenant H. Kirk, promoted. Dated 14th December, 1887.

Royal Artillery, The undermentioned Lieutenant-Colonels and Colonels, half-pay, retire upon retired pay and compensation, with the honorary rank of Major-General. Dated 14th December, 1887:—

*Henry Chamberlayne Farrell.
John Macvicar Burn.*