intercourse with a plague-smitten country or vessel and which have taken infected goods on board from them.

3. Vessels on which during the voyage there have been or on arrival there are found to be

persons suffering from plague.

Discharging quarantine which can at present only be performed in Norway at the Island of Odderö, near Christiansand, consists in the complete emptying of the vessel and the disinfection of the goods discharged while the persons who have been on board are kept isolated in the lazaret.

The goods are returned to the proper persons entitled to receive them after twenty days have elapsed from their discharge from the vessel and disinfection. In the case of vessels bringing infected goods, or which on arrival have persons suffering or dead from plague on board, quarantine will last for twenty days reckoned from the day on which the goods, persons infected, or bodies are removed from the vessel and the disinfection of the latter has begun.

Vessels which have not brought infected goods or persons suffering from, or who have died of, plague will be kept in quarantine for fourteen days from the date of the vessel having left the infected country, or from the date on which the vessel last had intercourse with a ship coming

from an infected country.

Persons recovering from the plague will be kept in quarantine for fourteen days from the date of their being declared to have recovered.

"Observation quarantine" is enforced on vessels which do not fall under any of the three classes above enumerated and after whose departure from or intercourse with an infected country or vessel sufficient time has elapsed to free them from quarantine.

Observation quarantine consists in the vessel being laid up at a proper distance from land and from any other vessel under continual watch preventing all intercourse with the vessel.

The above Regulations apply at present (August 25th, 1899) to vessels arriving at Norwerian ports from the following countries or

Oporto, China, Egypt, Arabia, Persia, India, Formosa, the Pescadores, Mauritius.

(F. & H. 12495.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 31, 1899.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 30th August, 1899, from Her Majesty's Representative at Constantinople, stating that arrivals in Ottoman ports from the Sea of Azov and the Russian littoral of the Black Sea are subject to strict medical visit in a port provided with a sanitary officer.

## Admiralty, 25th August, 1899.

Staff Engineer Joseph Harrison William Howard Ellis has been advanced to the rank of Fleet Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 16th August, 1899.

Admiralty, 28th August, 1899.

Engineer Ernest Augustus William Head has been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 1st August, 1899.

Admiralty, 29th August, 1899.

Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets Henry Dawson Stanistreet has been promoted to the rank of Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 23rd August, 1899.

The undermentioned Fleet Surgeons have been promoted to the rank of Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets in Her Majesty's

Fleet, viz. :-

Herbert Mackay Ellis. Evelyn Richard Hugh Pollard. Dated 23rd August, 1899.

Admiralty, 31st August, 1899.

Royal Marine Artillery. Colonel Commandant Francis Harwood Poore is placed on the Retired List on expiration of command, with the honorary rank of Major-General, under the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of the 29th November, 1881. Dated 29th August, 1899.

Colonel Second Commandant George Farquharson Pengelly to be Colonel Commandant, vice Poore, retired. Dated 29th August, 1899.

Lieutenant-Colonel and Brevet Colonel William Guise Tucker, C.B. (Supplementary Half-Pay List), to be Colonel Second Commandant on the Establishment, vice Pengelly, promoted. Dated 29th August, 1899.

> War Office, Pall Mall, 1st September, 1899.

Staff, Major-General the Honourable Neville G. Lyttelton, C.B., from an Assistant Military Secretary at Head-Quarters, to be a Major-General on the Staff to command an Infantry Brigade at Aldershot, vice Major-General W. O. Barnard, retired. Dated 1st September,

Colonel A. S. Wynne, C.B., from a Deputy Adjutant-General, to be an Assistant Military Secretary at Head - Quarters, vice Major-General the Honourable N. G. Lyttelton, C.B. Dated 1st September, 1899.

INEBRIATES ACT, 1898.

(Duxhurst Inebriate Reformatory.) THE Right Honourable Sir Matthew White Ridley, Bart., one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, on the application of Lady Henry Somerset, has certified that the abovementioned Inebriate Reformatory is fit for the accommodation of sixteen inmates instead of twelve, the number authorized by his Certificate of the 10th April last to be received.

Whitehall, August 29, 1899.

LIGHT RAILWAYS ACT, 1896.
THE Board of Trade have, after modification, confirmed an Order made by the Light Railway Commissioners, and entitled the Trent Valley Light Railway Order, 1899, authorizing the construction of a Light Railway in the county of Lincoln, from Blyton to Frodingham.

Board of Trade, 7, Whitehall Gardens, S.W., August 31, 1899.

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