Foreign Office,

April 10, 1917.

Notice is hereby given that the blockade of the coast of German East Africa which was announced in the London Gazette of February 26, 1915, will until further notice be confined to the part of the coast lying between the limits of Latitude 6° 40′ South and Latitude 10° 30′ South.

Whitehall, April 10, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baronet of the said United Kingdom upon John Stirling Ainsworth, of Ardanaiseig, in the County of Argyll, Esquire, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.

Whitehall, April 11, 1917.

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Baronet of the said United Kingdom upon the undermentioned gentlemen and the heirs male of their respective bodies lawfully begotten:—

Sir Charles Willie Mathews, K.C.B., Director of Public Prosecutions

of Public Prosecutions;

Sir Frank Forbes Adam, of Hankelow Court, in the County of Chester, Knight, Companion of the Most Eminent Order of the Indian Empire;

Sir Charles Cheers Wakefield, of Saltwood, in

the County of Kent, Knight;

Sir Alfred Reginald Sothern Holland, of Westwell Manor, in the County of Oxford, Knight;

Henry Wilson Worsley-Taylor, of Moreton Hall, in the Parish of Whalley, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, Esquire;

Thomas Charles Dewey, of South Hill Wood, Bromley, in the County of Kent, Esquire; and

James Stevenson, of Walton Heath, in the Parish of Walton-on-the-Hill, in the County of Surrey, Esquire.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, April 11, 1917.

H. 2271.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated 30th July last, from His Majesty's Minister at Buenos Aires, enclosing the following translation of a resolution issued by the Argentine Minister of Finance on the 17th January:—Until further notice the Custom Houses shall not consider that vessels which have been forced to stop at Kirkwall have touched at an unclean port. Such vessels shall be given entry without the necessity of producing a bill of health, and if they bring a bill of health,

the Consular visa on the same shall not be exacted. providing that the vessels have complied with the legal requirements and regulations at the port of sailing, and at the other ports of call during the voyage.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, April 11, 1917.

H. 2246.

The Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 6th April, from His Majesty's Consul-General at New York, stating that notice has been given by the State Department of Health that all vessels from Liverpool, except passenger ships, will be fumigated at end of each voyage to destroy rats, and will have to conform to the plague regulations of the port.

NAVAL PRIZE BOUNTY MONEY.

Department of the Accountant General of the Navy, Admiralty, S.W., April 12, 1917.

Notice is hereby given to all Persons interested therein, that preparations are now being made for the intended Distribution of the Prize Bounty awarded for the capture and destruction of enemy armed vessels on Lake Tanganyika by H.M. Ships "Mimi," and "Toutou," on the 26th December 1915, and the 9th February 1916.

Agents or other Persons having any just and legal demand, unliquidated, against the Award are required to transmit the particulars of any such demand to the Registrar of the Admiralty Division of H.M. High Court of Justice, in order that the same may be examined, taxed, and allowed by that Officer, and paid under the sanction of the Judge of the said Court.

Due Notice will be given, by future advertisement in the London Gazette, of the date proposed for the commencement of Distribution, and at the same time, the amount of an Individual's Share in the respective Classes will be announced.

War Office, 5th April 1917.

ARMY COUNCIL ORDER.

Wool.

In pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Defence of the Realm Regulations, the Army Council hereby order as follows:—

1. No person shall sell raw Wool grown or to be grown on sheep in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Isle of Man during the season of 1917, including Fleece Wool and Skin Wool, but not including Daggings, Locks, Brokes and Fallen Wool, otherwise than to persons authorised by or on behalf of the Director of Army Contracts.