desiring you to publish it in the Official Gazette of 1 your province as a commercial notice.

The Director-General,

TEODORO BARÓ,

To the Governors of the Maritime Provinces, and the Commander-in-Chief of Ceuta.

Madrid, November 13, 1886.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, November 26, 1886.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Consul at St. Petersburg, enclosing the following translation of the Rules officially promulgated on the 7th instant, regulating the passage of steam vessels through the Neva entrance to the St. Petersburg-Cronstadt Maritime Canal:-

Rules for passing through the Neva entrance to the St. Petersburg-Cronstadt Maritime Canal.

Confirmed by the Minister of Public Works on the 18th (30th) July, and officially promulgated on the 26th October (7th November), 1886:

Sec. 1. A steamer intending to pass through to the Neva entrance shall, when approaching that entrance, give a prolonged whistle and lower her flag half-mast or half-spankerboom high.

Sec. 2. So soon as the signalman at the mast of the canal entrance shall perceive that a vessel intends to pass through the entrance, he will signal whether the vessel may enter and whether she must expect to meet another vessel in the entrance.

- (a.) A red flag* hoisted on the signal mast will indicate that no vessel shall pass through the Neva entrance of the canal.
- (b.) A green flag hoisted on the signal mast shall indicate permission to proceed through the entrance, but that the entering vessel must be prepared to meet another in the entrance.

(c.) The absence of any signal will indicate that the passage is free, and that vessels may

proceed through the entrance.

Sec. 3. Vessels issuing out of the canal against the stream, shall keep to the side of the Southern Damb (steer port), and vessels proceeding from St. Petersburgh when meeting others in the canal coming from sea, shall keep to the side of the Northern Damb (also steering port).

Sec. 4. In foggy weather merchant or private vessels shall not enter the canal from the St.

Petersburg end.

Sec. 5. During a thick fog no merchant or private vessels shall be allowed to proceed along the canal.

Sec. 6. Vessels proceeding from St. Petersburg along the old or shallow channel, as also vessels proceeding to St. Petersburg along the same channel, shall not cross the line of the red buoys, and therefore, when going from St. Petersburg, they must have they the red buoys on the left or port side, and when proceeding to St. Petersburg they must leave the buoys on the starboard side.

Sec. 7. The signals will be shown only during the day, from sunrise to sunset.

* Observation to Sec. 2. The red and green flags mentioned in Sec. 2 will be hoisted at the top of the mast under the flag of the Ministry of Public Works; the red and blue flags (both together, one below the other), hoisted at the yard-arm of the same mast, indicate the height of water in relation to ordinary level.

(H. 7511.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, November 24, 1886.

THE Board of Trade have received through the

Secretary of State for Foriegn Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Rome, stating that in consequence of the complete cessation of cholera in the city of Cagliari, the Ordinance of Maritime Health have decreed that from 17th instant the quarantine imposed on arrivals from Sardinia at the small adjacent islands, with the exception of Asinara, will cease, and for it will be substituted the sanitary treatment now existing in all the remainder of the kingdom, and this treatment will be extended to the ships bound for those small islands which are now undergoing observation.

> (H. 7512.)
> Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, November 24, 1886.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for the Colonies a copy of a Telegram, dated 20th instant, from the Governor of Malta, stating :- "Passengers from Mediterranean ports, Constantinople, Suez, must bring certificate that have not been in continental Italy or Austro-Hungarian Adriatic provinces within fifteen or seven days respectively from embarka-Vessels from these places not admitted, except for coaling, before expiration of fifteen or seven days."

> (H. 7537.) Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, November 25, 1886.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Representative at Vienna, stating that the Imperial Ministry of Commerce has withdrawn the medical examination and disinfection of effects on Hungaro-Croatian arrivals in Austro-Illyrian ports; in Dalmatia the period of observation for arrivals from the Austro-Illyrian coast has been reduced to three days, and from the Hungaro-Croatian coast to twenty-four hours.

> (H. 7542.) Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, November 25, 1886.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Telegram, dated 24th instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Lisbon, stating that Rio de Janeiro is declared to be infected with cholera from October 24th, and that the other ports of the province are suspected.

> (H. 7601.) Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, November 26, 1886.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Telegram, dated to-day, from Her Majesty's Representative at Alexandria, stating that arrivals from Trieste and all Austrian ports are now admitted to free pratique in Egypt.

Admiralty, 22nd November, 1886.

Royal Marine Light Infuntry. Lieutenant-Colonel James Woodward Scott to be Aide-de-Camp to Her Majesty. Dated 5th October, 1886.

Major Arthur Emerson Chapman, having completed his period of service in the Auxiliary Forces, reverts to the Establishment from the Seconded List. Dated 15th November, 1886.

Lieutenaut Charles Gisborne Brittan to be Captain, vice Rumley, placed on half-pay. Dated 5th November, 1886.