Whilehall, May 3, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto the undermentioned Officers Her Royal licence and permission that they may accept and wear the Insignia of the different classes of the Orders of the Osmanieh and the Medjidieh attached to their respective names, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan, has been pleased to confer upon them in recognition of their services with the Egyptian Army:-

Fourth Class, Osmanieh. Captain Horace Lockwood Smith-Dorrien, D.S.O., the Sherwood Foresters (Derbyshire Regi-

Captain Arthur Horsman Coles, the Buffs (East Kent Regiment)

Captain William Frederick Peel, the 3rd (Prince of Wales's) Dragoon Guards.

Lieutenant Alfred Montgomery Mantell, R.E.

Fourth Class, Medjidieh. Lieutenant Francis Reginald Wingate, R.A.

Downing Street, April 30, 1887.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Septimus Burt, Esq., to be one of Her Majesty's Counsel for the Colony of Western Australia.

(H. 3423.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, April 30, 1887.

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 Constantinople, reporting that he has received from the Turkish Government an intimation to the following effect:

That the cost of the powder for the cannon shots fired by the guard-ship anchored at Lampsaki in order to stop vessels which may attempt to pass the Strait of the Dardanelles without producing the firman for their passage, or the postal packets which may not hoist the regulation signal, will be charged to those who infringe the rules; but the greater part of the captains may be relieved from the obligation of making the payment by leaving to their agents at Constantinople the duty of meeting it. Should the latter in their turn raise difficulties, it has been decided that in future vessels failing to comply will not be allowed to continue their voyage except after the entire payment of the said cost as well as the cost of the telegrams for the exchange of which their failure to comply may have given occasion.

The Turkish Government are desirous that the foregoing particulars should come to the knowledge of captains and sailors of English ships.

(H. 3508.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, May 3, 1887.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 1st instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Athens:-"Arrivals from Catania are now exempted from period of observation mentioned in notice of 25th ultimo.

> (H. 3509.) Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, May 3, 1887.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch, dated 27th ultimo, from Her

Majesty's Representative at Lisbon, stating that the Island of St. Vincent, in the province of Cape Verd, has been declared by the Local Board of Health to be infected with variola (small-pox), and vessels arriving from that island at any ports in the said province, or at any West African ports, will have to undergo rigorous quarantine.

(H. 3511.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, May 3, 1887.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch, dated 29th ultimo, from Her Majesty's Representative at Vienna, stating that the Trieste Maritime Board have issued a notice, dated 25th April, reducing quarantine on arrivals from the east coast of Sicily between Messina and Cape Passaro to twenty-four hours, the disinfection of personal effects and the medical visit still remaining in force.

(H. 3512.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, May 3, 1887.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 30th ultimo, from Her Majesty's Representative at Washington:-Quarantine proclaimed at Savannah on ships from South America, Central America, Mexico, West Indies, Sicily, Sardinia, Italian ports south of lat. 40°, also Algeria and African coast between 10° N. and 14° S. lat. All other. vessels must be passed by quarantine authorities.

(H. 3535.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, May 3, 1887.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs the following copy of a Telegram, dated 2nd instant, from Her Majesty's Representative at Washington:—Quarantine on arrivals from ports infected by yellow fever, &c., until 15th November next officially announced at Pensacola, Florida. Other vessels must pass quarantine authorities.

(H. 3536.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, May 3, 1887.

THE Board of Trade have received through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs a copy of a Despatch, dated 2nd instant, from the Netherlands Ambassador in London, stating that the Minister of the Interior at The Hagne has, by a Decree of the 29th ultimo, abolished the quarantine observation which declared the ports of the Argentine Republic infected with cholera.

Admiralty, 29th April, 1887.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 17th February, 1886

Staff Engineer William Winsland Chilcott has been advanced to the rank of Fleet Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 25th April, 1887.

Chief Engineer John Hobbs has been advanced to the rank of Staff Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 19th April, 1887.

Admiralty, 30th April, 1887.

The Reverend James Julian Smith, B.A., has been appointed a Chaplain in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 22nd April, 1887: