

do, with as little delay as possible, report to Us, under your hands and seals, or under the hands and seals of any six or more of you, your opinion upon the matter herein submitted for your consideration.

And for the purpose of aiding you in your inquiries, We hereby appoint Our trusty and well-beloved William Napier Bruce, Esquire (commonly called the Honourable William Napier Bruce), Barrister-at-Law, to be Secretary to this Our Commission.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the second day of *March*, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, in the fifty-seventh year of Our reign.

By Her Majesty's Command,
H. H. Asquith.

Whitehall, March 2, 1894.

THE Queen has been pleased to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for granting unto the Reverend Charles Wellington Furse, M.A., Canon of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster, the Canonry in the said Collegiate Church void by the death of the Reverend Thomas James Rowsell, M.A.

Whitehall, March 5, 1894.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Admiral of the Fleet Sir John Edmund Commerell, V.C., G.C.B., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Order of the Medjidieh of the First Class, which His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey has been pleased to confer upon him as a promotion in that Order.

Whitehall, March 5, 1894.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Dr. Pestonji Nariman, Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Third Grade of the Second Class of the Order of the Brilliant Star of Zanzibar, which His Highness the Sultan of Zanzibar has been pleased to confer upon him as a promotion in that Order.

Westminster, March 5, 1894.

THIS day the Lords being met a message was sent to the Honourable House of Commons by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, acquainting them, that *The Lords authorized by virtue of a Commission under the Great Seal, signed by Her Majesty, for declaring Her Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, do desire the immediate attendance of the Honourable House in the House of Peers to hear the Commission read; and the Commons being come thither, the said Commission, empowering the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, and several other Lords therein named, to declare and notify the Royal Assent to the said Act, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to Local Government Act, 1894.*

(H. 1945.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, March 3, 1894.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated 26th February, 1894, from Her Majesty's Representative at Sofia, stating

that the Sanitary Council have decided that dried fruits from contaminated countries, hitherto prohibited, may now enter Bulgaria, after undergoing the necessary detention in quarantine.

(H. 1946.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, March 3, 1894.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch, dated 27th February, 1894, from Her Majesty's Representative at Stockholm, stating that the Belgian Province of Hainault and Salonica are now declared free from cholera.

(H. 2008.)

*Board of Trade (Harbour Department),
London, March 6, 1894.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram, dated 3rd March, 1894, from Her Majesty's Representative at Malta, stating that the quarantine against Tripoli is reduced to ten days.

Admiralty, 2nd March, 1894.

Clerk Owen Robert Mathew has been promoted to the rank of Assistant-Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 20th January, 1894.

Admiralty, 5th March, 1894.

THE following Acting Sub-Lieutenants have been confirmed as Sub-Lieutenants in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

Thomas Francis Tregoye Michell. Dated 14th May, 1892.

Arthur Kipling Waistell. Dated 14th August, 1892.

Philip Elliston Allen. Dated 19th October, 1892.

Engineer Henry Wallis has been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 1st February, 1894.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881— Surgeon Martin Henry Atock, M.D., has been permitted to withdraw from Her Majesty's Naval Service, with a gratuity.

War Office, Pall Mall,

6th March, 1894.

2nd Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant-General and Honorary General William Henry Seymour, C.B., from 13th Hussars, to be Colonel, vice Lieutenant-General and Honorary General Sir C. P. B. Walker, K.C.B., deceased. Dated 20th January, 1894.

12th Lancers, Major-General Robert Hale to be Colonel, vice Major-General and Honorary Lieutenant-General E. B. Cureton, deceased. Dated 10th February, 1894.

13th Hussars, Major-General Sir Baker Creed Russell, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., Commanding Cavalry Brigade, Aldershot, to be Colonel, vice Lieutenant-General and Honorary General W. H. Seymour, C.B., transferred to 2nd Dragoon Guards. Dated 20th January, 1894.

The Lancashire Fusiliers, Lieutenant-General and Honorary General Sir William Pollexfen Radcliffe, K.C.B., from Princess Charlotte of Wales's (Royal Berkshire Regiment), to be Colonel, vice General Sir F. Horn, G.C.B., deceased. Dated 27th January, 1894.