The State Apartments will be open for the reception of Company coming to Court at half-CARRINGTON, past one o'clock.

Lord Chamberlain.

Privy Council Office, February 22, 1895. MERCHANT SHIPPING ACT, 1894.

OTICE is hereby given that, after the expiration of forty days from the date hereof, it is proposed to submit to Her Majesty in Council, in pursuance of the above-mentioned Act, the drafts of two Orders in Council for the recognition, in the United Kingdom, of Passenger Steamers' Certificates granted by the Legislatures of the British Possessions of Queensland and Victoria respectively.

And notice is hereby further given that, in accordance with the provisions of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, copies of the proposed draft Orders in Council can be obtained by any public body, within forty days of the date of this notice,

at the Privy Council Office, Whitehall.

Downing Street, February 20, 1895.

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint Harry Langhorne Thompson, Esq. (Chief Secretary to the Government of Cyprus), to be Administrator of the Island of Saint Vincent and its Dependencies.

Downing Street, February 21, 1895.

THE Queen has been pleased to give directions for the appointment of Charles Messervy, Esq. (Director of Public Works in the Windward Islands and Colonial Surveyor of the Island of Saint Lucia), to be an Official Member of the Legislative Council of the Island of Saint Lucia.

Whitehall, February 21, 1895.

Promissory Oaths Act, 1871. Local Government Act, 1894.

IT is hereby notified that the Queen has been pleased to appoint that the Chairman of an Urban or Rural District Council under the Local Government Act, 1894, being in virtue of that Act an ex-officio Justice of the Peace for the County in which such District is situate, may take the Oath of Allegiance and Judicial Oath required to be taken by such Justice before two or more Justices of the Peace for the County sitting in Petty Sessions.

Crown Office, February 20, 1895.

MEMBER returned to serve in the present PARLIAMENT.

Borough of Colchester.

Sir Weetman Dickinson Pearson, Bart., in the place of Captain Herbert Scarisbrick Naylor-Leyland, who has accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead.

(H. 1773.)
Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 20, 1895.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 19th February, 1895, from Her Majesty's Representative at Lisbon, stating that the ports of Dirschau and Dantzig and Amandola in the Gulf of Dantzig are declared to be free from cholera from the 15th January.

(H. 1816.) Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 22, 1895.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram, dated 21st February, 1895, from Her Majesty's Representative at Madrid, stating that Santos, in Brazil, is declared foul from the 1st instant.

(H. 1827.)

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 22, 1895.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram, dated 21st February, 1895, from Her Majesty's Representative at Cyprus, stating that five days' quarantine is imposed on arrivals from Constantinople and the Bosphorus.

Board of Trade (Harbour Department), London, February 22, 1895.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram, dated 19th February, 1895, from Her Majesty's Representative at Gibraltar, stating that five days' quarantine is imposed on arrivals from the Black Sea, not less than ten days out, which have called at Cavak and bring a foul bill of health.

Admiralty, 19th February, 1895.

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870-

Lieutenant Valentine David Hughes has been placed on the Retired List, with permission to assume the rank of Commander. Dated 14th February, 1895.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 1st April, 1881— Staff Surgeon Francis Woore has been allowed to withdraw from Her Majesty's Naval Service, with a gratuity.

The undermentioned Clerks have been promoted to the rank of Assistant-Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated as stated against their names:

Percy Herbert Franklin, 1st January, 1895. Charles Frederick Withell, 3rd February, 1895. Hugh William Maclean, 3rd February, 1895. Frank Maitland Seymour, 3rd February, 1895.

Admiralty, 20th February, 1895.

HER Majesty the Queen has been pleased to appoint Admiral Sir Algernon McLennan Lyons. K.C.B., to be Her First and Principal Naval Aide-de-Camp, in the place of Admiral of the Fleet Sir Geoffrey Thomas Phipps Hornby, G.C.B., retired. Dated 20th February, 1895.

In accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 22nd February, 1870-

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Geoffrey Thomas Phipps Hornby, G.C.B., First and Principal Naval Aide-de-Camp to the Queen, has this day been placed on the Retired List.

In pursuance of Her Majesty's pleasure the following promotion takes place:-Admiral the Right Honourable the Earl of Clanwilliam, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., to be Admiral of the Flect. Dated 20th February, 1895.