Westminster, March 6, 1896.

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 (Elections) Act, 1896.

(S. 954.) Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),

London, March 6, 1896. THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, the following copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Rio de Janeiro, viz. :- "There is serious yellow fever here which is likely to last. In consequence of the non-completion of promised hospital of isolation the only available quarantine station of Brazil here is now used as a yellow fever hospital for the crew of an Italian ship-of-war which has, out of 280, had 225 cases, and 84 fatal."

> (S. 1027.) Board of Trade (Fisheries Department), London, March 10, 1896.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Telegram from Her Majesty's Representative at Lisbon, reporting that Bahia has been declared infected with yellow fever, and all other ports of the Province suspected since February 1.

Admiralty, 6th March, 1896.

Royal Marine Light Infantry. Captain John Beville Pym is seconded for service as an Adjutant of Militia. Dated 2nd March, 1896.

Admiralty, 7th March, 1896.

The Reverend John Cox Cox-Edwards, M.A., Chaplain of the Fleet and Inspector of Naval Schools, has been appointed Honorary Chaplain to Her Majesty, in the place of the Reverend John Bradley Harbord, deceased. Dated 6th March, 1896.

Admiralty, 9th March, 1896.

Royal Naval Reserve.

THE following Acting Sub-Lieutenants have . been confirmed in the rank of Sub-Lieutenant :-Arthur Henry Rostron. Dated 28th April, 1893. Ernest Snowdon Deed. Dated 30th November, 1893.

Henry Nelson. Dated 13th April, 1894. Frank Ernest Beadnell. Dated 2nd May, 1895. Walter Campbell McMickan. Dated 24th July,

George Todd Pickford. Dated 25th July, 1895. William Trannack Clifford. Dated 9th October, 1895.

Midshipman Percival Norman Layton has been promoted to the rank of Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 4th March, 1896.

War Office, Pall Mall, 10th March, 1896.

- 1st Life Guards, Second Lieutenant Simon J., Lord Lovat, to be Lieutenant, vice Harold M. Grenfell, seconded for special extra-regimental employment. Dated 28th November, 1895.
- st Dragoon Guards, Captain Charles Loftus Bates retires from the Service receiving a
- gratuity. Dated 11th March, 1896. Lieutenant William M. Marter to be Captain, Dated 11th March, 1896. vice C. L. Bates.
- Dragoon Guards, Lieutenant-Colonel Philip K. Doyne, on completion of his period of service in command of the Regiment, is placed on half-pay. Dated 7th March, 1896. Major George D. F. Sulivan, from 15th Hussars,

to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice P. K. Doyne.

Dated 11th March, 1896.

2nd Dragoons, Second Lieutenant W. D. P. Watson to be Lieutenant, vice E. A. Maude, promoted. Dated 16th December, 1895.

11th Hussars, Captain William W. Waring retires from the Service receiving a gratuity, with permission to retain his rank and wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 11th March, 1896.

Royal Engineers, Major Wentworth G. Bowyer retires on an Indian pension. Dated 1st March, 1896.

Captain Felix D. F. MacCarthy to be Major, vice W. G. Bowyer. Dated 1st March, 1896. Lieutenant Stafford C. Babington to be Captain, vice F. D. F. MacCarthy. Dated 1st March, 1896.

Gentleman Cadet Herbert Musgrave, from the Royal Military Academy, to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 1st March, 1896.

Coldstream Guards, Second Lieutenant Harry W. L. H. Heathcoat-Amory to be Battalion Adjutant, vice Lieutenant R. J. Marker, whose period of service in that appointment has expired. Dated 7th March, 1896.

LINE BATTALIONS.

The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment), Captain Alfred E. Price retires on retired pay. Dated 11th March, 1896.

Supernumerary Captain William L. Addington to be Captain, vice A. E. Price. Dated 11th March, 1896.

The Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), Captain the Honourable H. H. S. Addington retires on retired pay. Dated 11th March, 1896.

Supernumerary Captain William Lachlan Forbes to be Captain, vice the Honourable H. H. S. Addington. Dated 11th March, 1896.

The Lancashire Fusiliers, Captain Charles F. Randolph retires on retired pay. Dated 11th March, 1896.

The South Wales Borderers, The promotion to the rank of Lieutenant of Second Lieutenant A. J. Forbes is antedated to 18th November,

1895, vice J. Going, promoted. Second Lieutenant W. L. Lawrence to be Lieutenant, vice H. W. E. Parker, seconded. Dated 11th January, 1896.

The King's Own Scottish Borderers, The promotion to the rank of Captain of Lieutenant Edward R. Cureton is antedated to 28th September, 1895, in succession to Major C. T. Becker, appointed to the Staff.

Lieutenant Alfred E. Haig to be Captain, vice F. Hemphill, retired. Dated 22nd January, 1896.