

Captain Macfarlane, Buluwayo Field Force (late Captain 9th Lancers), organized first defence of Buluwayo, commanded numerous useful patrols, also the action on the Umguga 25th April, by which Buluwayo was saved from being rushed. Commanded an important patrol to Redbank 5th to 30th June.

Captain Nicholson, 7th Hussars, was on special service in the country at the outbreak. Did much useful work as Staff Officer in organizing the defence of Buluwayo.

Mr. Wilson Fox, Salisbury Volunteers (Public Prosecutor), was Supply Officer to the Salisbury-Gwelo Relief Column. Afterwards did valuable service in organizing and carrying out the Supply and Transport in Mashonaland.

Major Robertson (late Royal Dragoons) organized and commanded a corps of Cape Boys with great success; led them in a gallant and dashing manner against koppies both at Taba-kamamba and at Babyan's stronghold.

Captain Colenbrander, Buluwayo Field Force, organized and commanded a corps of Cape Boys which rendered good service throughout the war. He was most instrumental with Mr. Rhodes in bringing about the final surrender of the Chiefs in the Matoppos.

Captain Van Niekerk, of the Afrikaner Troop, Buluwayo Field Force (formerly a Trooper in the Bechuanaland Border Police), an energetic, resourceful, and courageous leader of the Dutch Contingent. Rendered specially good service in the action of the Gwando Patrol, 10th April.

Captain George Grey, raised a very efficient troop of mounted men, which, under his leadership, did much good service in the early part of the Campaign.

Captain the Honourable M. Gifford, raised and commanded an efficient mounted troop, and performed good service in the early patrols from Buluwayo. In the course of this work he was severely wounded (arm amputated).

Dr. Strong, Principal Medical Officer to the Forces in Matabeleland, organized a Medical Staff Corps and Field Hospital under great difficulties with complete success.

Dr. Sutcliffe, Dr. Redpath (of the Red Cross Society), rendered most valuable services in the Field Hospital. Their skill and readiness were very conspicuous.

Reverend Father Barthelemy, Roman Catholic Chaplain, served continuously in the field as Chaplain. Was most assiduous in his attentions to the sick and wounded of all denominations.

*Chancery of the Order of
Saint Michael and Saint George,
Downing Street, March 5, 1897.*

THE Queen, as Sovereign and Chief of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, has been graciously pleased to appoint Edward Wingfield, Esq., C.B., Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, to be the Secretary of the said Most Distinguished Order, in the room of the Honourable Sir Robert Henry Meade, K.C.B., who has relinquished that office on his retirement as Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Foreign Office, January 29, 1897.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to appoint Captain Leonard Robert Sunkersett Arthur to be Her Majesty's Consul at Dakar.

Foreign Office, February 27, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Robert William Sawyer as Consul of Germany for the Bahamas, to reside at Nassau (New Providence); of Mr. Christian Bachmann as Consul of Germany at Bassein; of Mr. George E. Tombazis as Consul of Greece at Glasgow; of Mr. John Hotchkiss as Consul of the Greater Republic of Central America at Birmingham; and of Mr. William M. Nolan as Vice-Consul of Turkey at Limerick.

Whitehall, March 8, 1897.

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, granting the dignity of a Baronet of the said United Kingdom unto Alexander Baird, of Urie, in the parish of Fetteresso, in the county of Kincardine, Esquire, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.

Scottish Office, Whitehall, March 6, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, to appoint John Cairns, Esq., to be an Assistant-Clerk in the Court of Session in Scotland, in the room of William Reid, Esq., deceased.

*Education Department, Whitehall,
March 8, 1897.*

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870-1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the formation of a School Board in the undermentioned Parish:—

Ystradgynlais Higher ... Brecknock

*Education Department, Whitehall,
March 8, 1897.*

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACTS, 1870-1893.

THE Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education have issued an order this day for the election of one person by the Contributory District of Cottam (Yorks), to sit on the School Board of Langtoft (Yorks).

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*Board of Trade (Fisheries Department),
London, March 9, 1897.*

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 Brussels, enclosing the following Decree respecting Quarantine, viz.:—

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Ministère de l'Agriculture et des Travaux Publics.
Service de Santé, Hygiène Publique et Voirie
Communale.

Peste bubonique.—Mesures aux frontières.
Le Ministre de l'agriculture et de travaux publics,
Vu l'arrêté royal du 15 Juillet 1895, prescrivant des mesures sanitaires relativement à l'importation et au transit des marchandises, provenant de pays ou de circonscriptions territoriales, déclarés contaminés et celui du 8 Janvier 1897 rendant cet arrêté applicable à la peste;

Vu spécialement les articles 5 et 6 du premier de ces arrêtés, chargeant le Ministre de l'agriculture et des travaux publics de désigner les pays