War Office, May 21, 1897.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointment to the Most Honourable Order of the Bath in recognition of the services of the undermentioned Officer during the operations in South Africa, 1896:

To be an Ordinary Member of the Military Division of the Third Class, or Companions, of the said Most Honourable Order, viz.:-

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Henry Bridge, Army Service Corps, Deputy-Assistant Adjutant-General, Eastern District.

Whitehall, May 20, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 19th instant, to appoint Nicholas Barbenson, Esq., Procureur in the Royal Court of the Island of Alderney, to be Judge of the said Island, in the room of John Abraham Le Cocq, Esq., resigned.

Whitehall, May 20, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Charles Edward Coles, Pasha, Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Osmanieh of the Second Class, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services while actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions as Commandant of the Cairo City Police.

Whitehall, May 20, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Thomas Brown, Esq., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Osmanieh of the Fourth Class, which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of Turkey, has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services while actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions as Chief of the Workshops in the Egyptian Railway Administration.

Whitehall, May 20, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Harry Curtis, Esq., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Medjidieh of the Fourth Class which His Highness the Khedive of Egypt, authorized by His Imperial Majesty the Sultan of 'Turkey, has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services while actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions as Chief Engineer of the Government Arsenal under the Egyptian Public Works Department.

Whitehall, May 20, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Arthur Stanhope Aldrich, Esq., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Order of the Sacred Treasure of the Second Class, which His Majesty the Emperor of Japan has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services whilst actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions in the Japanese Railway Department.

Whitehall, May 20, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto Francis Henry Trevithick, Esq., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Imperial Order of the Sacred Treasure of the Third Class, which His Majesty the Emperor of Japan has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services whilst actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions in the Japanese Railway Department.

Whitehall, May 20, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to give and grant unto William Wykeham Myers, Esq., M.B., Her Majesty's Royal licence and authority that he may accept and wear the Insignia of the Order of the Rising Sun of the Fifth Class, which His Majesty the Emperor of Japan has been pleased to confer upon him in recognition of his services while actually and entirely employed beyond Her Majesty's Dominions in His Majesty's service.

(S. 1606.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries Department), London, May 18, 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. :--

Moniteur Belge, 8th Mai, 1897.

Lois, arrêtés Royaux et Actes du Gouvernement. Ministère de l'agriculture et des travaux publics.

Service de Santé, Hygiène Publique et voirie Communale.

Peste .- Mesures aux frontières de mer.

Le Ministre de l'agriculture et des travaux publics,

Vu l'arrête royal du 5 Avril, 1897, prescrivant des mesures sanitaires relativement à l'importation et au transit des marchandises provenant de pays ou de circonscriptions territoriales, déclarés contaminés de peste;

Vu spécialement les Articles 5 et 6 de cet arrêté, chargeant le Ministre de l'agriculture et des travaux publics de désigner les pays ou parties de pays à l'égard desquels le régime prévu par les Articles 1 er à 4 du dit arrêté sera rendu applicable et de régler les mesures à prendre dans les ports à l'égard de navires considérés comme infectés, suspects ou indemnes, au point de vue de la visite médicale, de l'isolement et de la désinfection;

Vu l'avis de la commission sanitaire de l'Escaut;

Arrête :

ART. ler. Les dispositions qui font l'objet des Articles ler à 4 de l'arrêté royal du 5 Avril, 1897, susvisé, sont rendues applicables aux provenances de la présidence de Bombay, du Sind excepté de l'extrême Est de ce dernier, ainsi qu'à celles de l'île de Formose et des parties de l'Empire Chinois, situées au sud de 30° dégré de latitude, contaminés par la peste.

ART. 2. Ces provenances, arrivant par voie de mer, seront soumises à la station sanitaire de l'Escaut et dans les ports d'Ostende et de Nieuport, au régime stipulé par les chapitres II, III et IV du règlement sanitaire général annexé à la Convention sanitaire internationale de Venise, en date du 19 Mars, 1897.

ART. 5. Les marchandises et objets visés à l'Article 1er de l'arrêté royal du 5 Avril, 1897, et provenant d'un des ports de l'océan Indien, autres que ceux reconnus contaminés de peste, depuis Masoate y compris les ports du Golfe