

Privy Council Office, October 13, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council by certain Inhabitant Householders of the Town of Cleckheaton, in the West Riding of the county of York, praying for the grant of a MUNICIPAL CHARTER OF INCORPORATION, under the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882; and notice is hereby further given, that the said Petition will be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on the twenty-fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Privy Council Office, October 13, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council by certain Inhabitant Householders of the Urban District of Heckmondwike, in the West Riding of the County of York, praying for the grant of a MUNICIPAL CHARTER OF INCORPORATION; and notice is hereby further given, that the said Petition will be taken into consideration by a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, on the twenty-fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Privy Council Office, October 13, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Petition has been presented to Her Majesty in Council by Thomas Bonnar and others, and the Worshipful Company of Painters, praying for the grant of a CHARTER OF INCORPORATION to "The Institute of British Decorators." And Her Majesty having referred the said Petition to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, notice is further given, that all petitions for or against such grant should be sent to the Privy Council Office, on or before the twenty-fourth day of November next.

Privy Council Office, October 15, 1897.

EXPLOSIVES ACT, 1875.

NOTICE 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 draft of an Order in Council declaring Acetylene to be an explosive within the meaning of "The Explosives Act, 1875," and prohibiting its being manufactured, imported, kept, conveyed, or sold.

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

War Office, October 11, 1897.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to give orders for the following appointments to the Distinguished Service Order:

In recognition of their services with the Indian Contingent during the operations in Mombasa, 1895-6:-

Captain William Cross Barratt, Indian Staff Corps.

Lieutenant Thomas Edwin Scott, Indian Staff Corps.

In recognition of his services against Bawarume, a marauding native chief, on the frontier between Sierra Leone and Liberia, 1896:-
Captain Edward Charles D'Heillemer Fairtlough, 4th Battalion, the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, employed with the Sierra Leone Frontier Police.

Foreign Office, October 9, 1897.

THE Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. Theodore Lumley as Consul-General of Monaco at London; of Mr. Alfred Webster as Consul of Chile at Melbourne; and of Mr. Samuel Leigh as Consul of Liberia at Lagos.

(S. 2481.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries Department), London, October 12, 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 Portland (Oregon), enclosing the following extract from a Quarantine Ordinance, establishing a Board of Health at Portland (Oregon), viz.:-

Office of Board of Health, Portland, Oregon.
R. L. Gillespie, M.D., City Physician.
Robert Glen, Harbour Master.

Notice to Ship Masters and Pilots.

Your attention is called to sections 3 and 4 of Ordinance No. 10359, entitled "An Ordinance to protect the public health and prevent the spread of contagious diseases."

Duties of City Physician.

SEC. 3. He shall from time to time make reports to the Board of Health of contagious diseases that may come to his notice in various places from which they are liable to be brought to the city of Portland, and advise as to the measures to be taken to prevent their entry into said city. In order to prevent the introduction of contagious and infectious diseases into the city of Portland, it shall be his duty to board and inspect all vessels arriving from foreign ports or ports suspected of being infected with any contagious disease; and vaccinate or cause to be vaccinated, such passengers or emigrants who may be on board of any vessel who are not able to prove that they have been vaccinated within the last seven years, before they shall be allowed to land at the docks or wharves of the city, or before they shall be allowed to leave such vessel. He shall receive as compensation for said vaccination, the sum of twenty-five cents for each person vaccinated by him, which said sum shall be paid by the person vaccinated, and shall be paid before his or her vaccination.

SEC. 4. He shall be vigilant and active in detecting and removing all causes of disease, and may quarantine, under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Board of Health and in accordance with the United States laws governing the same, any vessel that shall enter the city having on board any contagious disease, provided that all cost and expense of such quarantine shall be borne and paid for by such vessel. The captain of any vessel who shall refuse to allow the City Physician to board his vessel or who shall land or attempt to land any such passengers from said vessel, without having first been vaccinated by said physician shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanour, and upon conviction thereof, before the Police Court, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50.00 nor more than \$250.00, or be imprisoned in the City Jail not less than ten nor more than thirty days or both.

The City Physician's boat may be known by the display of a white flag with a red cross in centre.

DAVID J. BEAKY, Health Commissioner.