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TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 1900.

Chancery of the Royal Victorian Order, St. James's Palace, March 31, 1900.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to make the following appointments to the Royal Victorian Order :-

To be Honorary Knights Grand Cross. Gustavus Ernest, Count of Erbach-Schonberg, K.C.V.O.

Freiherr August von Woellwarth-Lauterburg, Oberhofmarschall to His Majesty the King of Wurtemberg.

Westminster, April 9, 1900.

' 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 several Acts 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 Acts, was read accordingly, and the Royal Assent given to

Finance Act, 1900. - Army (Annual) Act, 1900. Census (Ireland) Act, 1900.

Military Lands Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1900.

Colonial Bank Act, 1900.

(F. & H. 5914.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 10, 1900.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the following copy of a Quarantine Regulation from the Government of the Windward Islands, viz.:-Regulation made by the Governor-in-Council under the authority of the Quarantine Ordin-, ance, 1895.

23rd February, 1900.

Vessels arriving after fourteen days and under thirty days from a place recently infected with plague, and having had no sickness or death on board from the disease during the voyage, and bringing a clean bill of health, so far as such

plague is concerned, shall be allowed by the Visiting Officer to coal in quarantine at the wharves, the said fourteen and thirty days, respectively, being counted from the date of the first clean bill of health issued from such place and showing that such place is free from plague.

Passed by the Governor-in-Council this 22nd day of February, 1900:

E. EVELYN, Clerk of Councils.

(F. & H. 5944.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour-

Department), London, April 10, 1900. 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 Rome, intimating that the prohibition against the importation of raw wool from countries infected with plague has been withdrawn, and that Portuguese ports have also been declared free from plague.

(F. & H. 5951.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, April 10, 1900.

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 Tahiti, enclosing a copy of the Sanitary Laws and Regulations enforced in the Colony in view of the outbreak of plague at Noumea, Honolulu, and other places in communication with the Colony. The Regulations can be inspected at the Fisheries and Harbour Department of the Board of Trade any day between the hours of 11 and 5.

Admiralty, 5th April, 1900.

Royal Naval Reserve.

John McLeod to be Assistant-Engineer. Dated 26th March, 1900.

Admiralty, 6th April, 1900. _

Assistant-Paymaster Ernest George Whillier has been placed on the Retired List. Dated 1st April, 1900.

The undermentioned Assistant-Paymasters have been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet, viz. :-

Charles Fleetwood Pollard. Dated 1st March, 1900. Frederick William Hammond. Dated 26th March, 1900.

Alfred Withers Claxton.

Sidney Brougham Hinshelwood.