

The Governor and People of the Colony of Hong Kong.

The British Indians in the Colony of Natal, (through the Governor).

The Mayor and Citizens of Vancouver, (through the Governor-General of Canada).

The Mayor, on behalf of the loyal subjects of Pietermaritzburg, (through the Governor).

The Mayors of Port Elizabeth, Grahamstown, Uitenhage, and Seapoint, and the coloured People of Wynberg, (through the Governor).

The Governor and Legislative Council of the Leeward Islands.

The Legislative Council of the Colony of Victoria, (through the Lieutenant-Governor).

*Whitehall, August 27, 1900.*

THE Queen has been pleased to appoint the Reverend George Christopher Battiscombe, B.A., to the Vicarage of St. Michael and All Angels, Bromley, in the county of Middlesex and diocese of London, void by the death of the Reverend George Nelson, LL.D.

*Whitehall, August 27, 1900.*

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 25th instant, to appoint Philip Howard Smith, Esq., Barrister-at-Law, to be Recorder of the Borough of Bridgnorth, in the room of Rudolph Herries Spearman, Esq., deceased.

*Scottish Office, Whitehall, August 22, 1900.*

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 20th instant, to appoint Lawrence Twentyman Napier, Esq., Advocate, to be Sheriff-Substitute of Dumfries and Galloway, at Newton Stewart, in the room of Sheriff Watson, transferred to Inverness.

*Scottish Office, Whitehall, August 25, 1900.*

THE Queen has been pleased, by Warrant under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 16th August, 1900, to appoint Walter Raleigh, Esq., M.A., to be Regius Professor of English Language and Literature in the University of Glasgow, as from the 1st October, 1900, in the room of Professor Andrew Bradley, resigned.

(F. & H. 12,078.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 24, 1900.*

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, a copy of a Telegram from the Governor of Sierra Leone, intimating that Bathurst has been again placed in quarantine.

(F. & H. 11,242.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 25, 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 Hedjaz, Macao, Madagascar, Mozambique, Oman, New Caledonia, Smyrna, and Beyrout are declared free from plague, and that the Regulations in force against those places have been abolished.

(F. & H. 12,190.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 27, 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 Alexandria, intimating that Karachi has been declared released from quarantine.

(F. & H. 12,191.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 27, 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 Constantinople, intimating that free pratique is granted to arrivals from Constantinople at only the following Greek ports, after strict medical inspection, viz.:—Piræus, Corfu, Calamata, Patras, Syra, and Volo.

(F. & H. 12,192.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 28, 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 Rio de Janeiro, intimating that Asuncion has been declared free from plague.

(F. & H. 12,200.)

*Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 28, 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 Sinai, Roumania, intimating that the quarantine against Trebizond has been abolished, and that arrivals from the district which will also be admitted to the Port of Constantza will for the future be subjected to medical inspection.

*Admiralty, 24th August, 1900.*

THE undermentioned Engineers have been promoted to the rank of Chief Engineer in Her Majesty's Fleet:—

Henry Thomas Knapman.

William Fryer Hinchcliff.

Harry George Andrews.

Marrack Sennett.

William Henry James.

Frank Main.

Robert Bell Ayers.

Dated 1st April, 1900.

John Arthur Hibbard.

Dated 1st May, 1900.

Robert Bland Dixon.

Dated 1st July, 1900.

William Henry Wood.

Dated 1st August, 1900.

Charles William Bryant.

Dated 2nd August, 1900.

*Royal Naval Reserve.*

Midshipman Charles Herbert Oxlade has been promoted to the rank of Sub-Lieutenant. Dated 7th August, 1900.

*Admiralty, 25th August, 1900.*

IN accordance with the provisions of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 2nd February, 1870—

Commander Robert Hugh Archer has this day been placed on the Retired List at his own request, with permission to assume the rank of Captain.

Assistant Paymaster Charles Henry Rowe has been promoted to the rank of Paymaster in Her Majesty's Fleet. Dated 3rd July, 1900.