Scottish Office, Whitehall, August 15, 1901.

THE King has been pleased, by Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, bearing date the 10th instant, to direct Letters Patent to be passed under the Seal appointed by the Treaty of Union to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland, granting the rank and dignity of Counsel to His Majesty to John McKie Lees and James Avon Clyde, Esqrs., Advocates, Members of the Scottish Bar.

(F. & H. 12498.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 13, 1901.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for the Colonies, the following Quarantine Notice issued by the Deputy-Governor of Malta:-

Government Notice.—No. 208.

His Honour the Deputy-Governor, having heard the opinion of the Council of Health, has been pleased to modify Government Notice No. 182 of the 6th July, 1901, and to direct that the following regulations be observed, viz.:

1. The importation is forbidden of:

(a.) Cattle (except horses, mules, and asses) from Egypt, the Province of Naples, Calabria,

(b.) Wool, hides, skins, horns, bones, and hoofs from the above places and from countries

where epidemic diseases are reported;

(c.) Cattle arriving from any place, if affected with any disease in view of which, in the opinion of the Chief Government Medical Officer, their admission into the lazaretto might prove detrimental to other cattle already in the Island.

2. Cattle which may be allowed to be landed under the conditions hereinafter specified, and subject to their being kept isolated and under observation in such of the enclosures at the lazaretto as may be assigned or approved for that purpose for the period hereinafter stated.

(a.) Cattle from the Black Sea, Sea of Azov, Syria, Roumelia, and Prevesa (unless the importation is otherwise prohibited), subjected to three

months' observation;

(b.) Cattle from Morocco and Sardinia (unless the importation is otherwise prohibited), subjected to 15 days' observation;

(c.) Cattle from Sicily (unless the importation is otherwise prohibited), subjected to 10 days'

observation.

(d.) Cattle from the Regency of Tunis and from Bengazi (unless the importation is otherwise prohibited), subjected to two days' observation.

(e.) Horses, mules, and asses from Egypt, the Province of Naples, Calabria, Salonica and Turkey in Asia, subjected to three days' observation, provided that such horses, mules, and asses shall be released, after inspection at the lazaretto, if the owner undertake to keep the animals in a place approved of by the collector of customs, and to cause them to be inspected by a Government Medical Officer or veterinary surgeon twice a week for nine weeks.

The cattle referred to in this paragraph shall not be allowed to be landed, unless the consignee shall have in each case and before shipment, made a written application, stating the approximate number of animals intended to be imported, and obtained the necessary permission after having agreed to abide by any regulations which may be established. Such application shall imply that the consignee has bound himself to abide by any regulations which may be in force on the day of

importation, or which may be issued during the time in which the cattle may have to remain in quarantine, and also to pay the entrance fees, fees for guards, and other fees for ordinary or extraordinary expenses usually levied on cattle at the lazaretto.

3. Swine.

(a.) Swine arriving from the ports of Turkey and Greece, except those referred to in sections 1 and 2, will be subjected to eight days' observation at the lazaretto.

4. General Provisions.

All cattle intended for importation into these Islands must be accompanied by a certificate from the British Consular Authority, or, in default, of the Local Government Authority of the places of origin and embarkation, stating that cattle disease has not been officially reported in those places during the three months previous to the date of embarkation.

The term cattle includes horses, mules, asses, animals of the bovine species, sheep, goats, and

Vessels with Cattle on board.

Vessels arriving in this Island, having on board more than 250 head of cattle (bovine) are to go into the quarantine harbour, and the cattle are to be inspected in the cattle enclosures of the lazaretto. By command,

F. VELLA, Acting Chief Secretary to Government. Palace, Valletta, August 6, 1901.

(F. & H. 12500.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour

Department), London, August 14, 1901. THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of a Despatch from His Majesty's Representative at Sofia, enclosing copy of a circular, No. 4875, of the 21st July / 3rd August, issued by the Bulgarian Ministry, giving notice of the following quarantine measures at Varna and Bourgas :-

1°. Les navires à patente nette venant de localités non contaminées, qui, après avoir passé les Dardanelles jusqu'à Cavak, avec des gardiens sanitaires à bord et sans toucher Constantinople, ont déchargé des marchandises ou des voyageurs à Cavak sous la surveillance des dits gardiens sanitaires et n'ont rien embarqué de ce port ottoman, seront admis, en libre pratique dans les ports bulgares après une désinfection rigoureuse.

2°. Les navires partant des ports de la Principauté pour Cavak et qui y déchargent des marchandises ou des voyageurs sous la surveillance d'un infirmier-agent sanitaire, préalablement approuvé par le médecin quarantenaire, seront admis en libre pratique à leur retour dans les ports après avoir subi une désinfection bulgares,

rigoureuse.

(F. & H. 12574.)

Board of Trade (Fisheries and Harbour Department), London, August 14, 1901.

THE Board of Trade have received, through the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a copy of the following Telegram from His Majesty's Representative at Lisbon:—"Order issued for application of sanitary regulations of April 14, 1897, to arrivals from Port Said."

Admiralty, 15th August, 1901.

Sub-Lieutenant Mark Pierson has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Dated 2nd August, 1901.